City Hall

May 21, 2019

The regular Council meeting was held on Tuesday May 21, 2019 at 6:00 pm with Mayor Pro-tem Wayne Favors presiding.

Those present were Councilmembers Edward Rabun, Michelle Weatherford-Usry, Stephanie Hannah and Wayne Favors. Mayor John J. Rabun Jr. was unable to attend.

Others present were City Administrator Arty Thrift, City Clerk Janee Miller and City Attorney Chris Dube.

Citizens present were Dr. Willie L. Jones, Bennett Clark, Gail Clark, Ceola Hannah, Mary Walker and Sharena Vaughn.

Rev. Willie L. Jones gave the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Stephanie Hannah made a motion to adopt the Agenda as printed. Michelle Weatherford-Usry seconded the motion; all in favor.

Minutes of the April 16, 2019 regular council meeting and minutes of the April 16, 2019 executive session were approved as printed with a motion made by Michelle Weatherford-Usry. Edward Rabun seconded the motion; all in favor.

Michelle Weatherford made a motion to approve General Fund, Water & Sewer Fund, Gas Fund and Landfill & Sanitation Fund Summary Financial Statement as presented. Stephanie Hannah seconded the motion; all in favor.

City Administrator Arty Thrift presented Council with a report relating to the City’s delinquent property taxes.

New Business: None

In Committee reports, Councilmember Michelle Weatherford-Usry stated that Wrens Hometown’s next meeting will be Tuesday May 28, 2019 at 6:30 pm.

Staff Reports: None

Edward Rabun made a motion to approve the second reading amending the Loitering Ordinance. Michelle Weatherford-Usry seconded the motion; all in favor.

Stephanie Hannah made a motion to enter into executive session to discuss **Personnel and Litigation.** Michelle Weatherford-Usry seconded the motion; all in favor.

1. That this Mayor and Council now enter into closed session as allowed by O.C.G.A. ₴ 50-14-4, and pursuant to the advice by the City Attorney, for the purpose of discussing the following **Personnel Matters and Litigation.**
2. That this body, in open session adopt a resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor or presiding officer to execute an affidavit in compliance with O.C.G.A. ₴ 50-14-4, and that this body ratify the actions of the council taken in closed session and confirm that the subject matters of the closed session were within exceptions permitted by the open meeting law said resolution form to be in separate notebook kept with minute book.

Back in open session, Michelle Weatherford-Usry made a motion to approve a merit pay increase for Water/Sewer Certified Operator Victor Usry increasing his hourly rate to $17.92 per hour (Grade 8, Step 11). The hourly rate increase is effective May 23, 2019. Stephanie Hannah seconded the motion; all in favor.

There being no further business, Stephanie Hannah made a motion to adjourn at 6:35 pm. Michelle Weatherford-Usry seconded the motion; all in favor.

Janee Miller

City Clerk