

City Council Meeting

The regular meeting of Mayor and City Council was held on November 4, 2024, at 6:00 P.M. at Swainsboro City Hall.

Prayer of Invocation: Chief Mims, Swainsboro Fire Dept.

Pledge of Allegiance

A. Old Business:

1. Council considered the Alcohol Ordinance amendment. Council member Stafford made a motion to approve the amendment to section 6 – 17.1 Occupancy Hours: Consumption on Premises of the alcohol ordinance.

Motion: Stafford Seconded by: Sconyers Vote: 5 – 0

2. Council considered renting a front loader from Yancey Rental. Council member Stafford made a motion to rent a front loader from Yancey Rental for the months of October and November for an amount not to exceed \$15, 883.86.

Motion: Stafford Seconded by: Sconyers Vote: 5 – 0

- 3. Council considered increasing the pension multiplier. First Read of Ordinance. No Action Taken
- 4. Council considered the renovations at the Gumlog gymnasium. Council member Davis made a motion to approve the gymnasium floor and sprinkler system to be completed with ARPA funds based on the estimates given.

Motion: Davis Seconded by: Quarterman Vote: 5 – 0

B. New Business:

1. Council considered the Hurricane Helene cutting, clearing, and debris removal expenses. Council member Sconyers made a motion to amend the budget by resolution transferring \$200,000 from Account #100-063-51110-56300, Governing Body Extraordinary Services, to Account #100-052-54100-53900, Public Works Emergency Services to pay

contractors for the cutting, clearing and removing of trees from city streets and city right of ways after Hurricane Helene.

Motion: Sconyers Seconded by: Quarterman Vote: 5 – 0

2. Council considered the purchase of new meters and software. Council member Sconyers made a motion to approve the purchase of new water meters with the remaining ARPA funds and funds from the Water and Sewer account.

Motion: Sconyers Seconded by: Davis Vote: 5 – 0

3. Council considered projects for ARPA money. No Action Taken

Council member Davis made a motion to amend the agenda to add an executive session.

Motion: Davis Seconded by: Stafford Vote: 5-0

Council member Stafford made a motion to amend the agenda to add the consideration of limiting the number of times a citizen can discuss the same thing during the three-minute audience of citizens.

Motion: Stafford Seconded by: Davis Vote: 5 – 0

Council member Davis made a motion to go into executive session for EMPLOYMENT EXCEPTION PURSUANT O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(b)(2)

Motion: Davis Seconded by: Stafford Vote: 5 – 0

Council member Collins made a motion to come out of executive session.

Motion: Collins Seconded by: Stafford Vote: 5 – 0

Council member Davis made a motion to adjourn.

Motion: Davis Seconded by: Sconyers Vote: 5 – 0

C. Consent Agenda:

None

D. Committee Reports:

None

E. Executive Session:

None

Submitted: *Herman Middlebrooks*, City Administrator