

CITY OF REYNOLDS
March 18, 2024 @ 6:30pm
CITY COUNCIL MEETING

CALL TO ORDER @ 6:30pm

ROLL CALL/ANNOUNCEMENT OF QUORUM

Members Present: Mayor Fred Waller, Hiram Couch, Tommy Beeland, Mayor Pro-Tem Hannah Sloan, Danny Peed, Brandon Hunter, and City Clerk Sissy McLaughlin

Members Absent: Timishea Price

INVOCATION – Tommy Beeland gave the invocation.

ADOPTION OF PROPOSED AGENDA – Mayor Pro Tem Hannah Sloan made a motion to adopt the proposed agenda with changes. Tommy Beeland seconded the motion. Mayor Fred Waller, Hiram Couch, Brandon Hunter, and Danny Peed voted in favor. The motion passed.

FIRE REPORT – Chief Sam McCrary gave the report. The team has had 20 calls this month. Chief McCrary reported that one person is currently in firefighter 101 training. Fire Department and Director Scott Jones are working on the fire department doors.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES -

- February 26, 2024, Work Session – Danny Peed made a motion to accept the minutes. Brandon Hunter seconded. Mayor Fred Waller, Hiram Couch, Tommy Beeland, and Hannah Sloan voted in favor. The motion passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- FINANCE.....Danny Peed, Brandon Hunter – Danny Peed requested all financials, checks, or anything else needs to be addressed with City Clerk Sissy McLaughlin.
- PROPERTY.....Timishea Price, Hannah Sloan – no report
- POLICE.....Tommy Beeland, Hiram Couch – no report other than agenda items

TAYLOR COUNTY FAMILY CONNECTIONS REPORT

TCFC Coordinator Yolanda Majors presented her Family Connections Report. On April 18th, TCFC will be hosting a program at the Strawberry Patch with Channel 13 and kids from TC Primary School.

FINANCE REPORT

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City Clerk Sissy McLaughlin briefed the council on all of February finances.

CHIEF'S REPORT

Department had movie night on Friday night. The buy-out agreement with Bleckley County should be coming in any day now.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

Director Jones submitted a letter for approval to apply for more funds for the upcoming water project. The water asbestos report was at 9, the normal level is 7 and below, so the city will have to advertise an increase in level.

*Full Power Diesel is still trying to repair the dump truck. It is still inoperable.

*Director Jones asked the council for approval to purchase a new city truck to replace the truck that was sold. Brandon Hunter made a motion to allocate \$99,000.00 towards a new Public Works truck and utility dump trailer to be purchased and paid from SPLOST funds. Danny Peed seconded the motion. All voted in favor. The motion passed unanimously.

MAYOR'S REPORT – no report

OLD BUSINESS

- UPDATE ON GOLD STAR MARKER – SYBIL WILLINGHAM – updated the council that the marker will be placed in the city park on May 27, 2024 @ 10:00 a.m. It symbolizes the loved ones lost in war.

NEW BUSINESS

- CEILING REPAIRS – HIS & HER SALON - Danny Peed suggested looking into insurance for repair cost.
- NEW FLOORING – check with insurance on repair cost.
- WATER RATES – Danny Peed made a motion to increase water rates by 5% effective July 1st, 2024. Brandon Hunter seconded the motion. All voted in favor. The motion passed unanimously.
- PD VEHICLE – Brandon Hunter made a motion to repair the 2017 police vehicle transmission with solar funds. Hiram Couch seconded the motion. All voted in favor. The motion passed unanimously.
- CITIES WEEK – City Clerk announced that cities week will be held April 20 – 27. Set a date for citywide clean up leading up to the Strawberry Festival on April 13th or April 20th if cancelled due to rain.
- COURT CLERK WEEK – Court Clerk Katrina Pike read the proclamation for court clerks' week of June 10-14.
- PROSECUTOR / COURTROOM – Court Clerk Katrina Pike addressed the council with her concern of conflict of interest between the courts and police department. She recommended the city look into hiring a prosecutor to handle court.

- RESOLUTION FOR USDA LOAN AT GA COMMUNITY BANK – Danny Peed made a motion to approve the resolution for the USDA loan at GMC bank. Hiram Couch seconded the motion. All voted in favor and signed the resolution. Motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

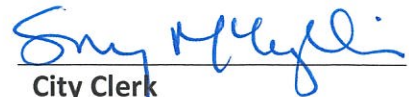
- CITY EMPLOYEE INSURANCE – Brandon Hunter explained that he was told that city clerk did not pay city insurance which caused cancellation. He then asked the city clerk to explain what happened. Clerk explained that the Macon distribution center for USPS was closed down causing a major delay in delivery of postal service. Therefore, the insurance company did not receive February payment by due date. Then the March bill arrived which caused the cancellation. Once the clerk was notified of the cancellation, the bill was paid ACH to bring back current. The clerk also notified the council the insurance bill will be paid via ACH from that point forward.

ADJOURNMENT

- Hiram Couch made a motion to adjourn. Tommy Beeland seconded. Mayor Fred Waller, Brandon Hunter, Danny Peed, and Hannah Sloan voted in favor. The meeting adjourned.



Mayor
Fred Waller



City Clerk
Sissy McLaughlin