

MINUTES
ADRIAN MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, MAY 10, 2022 AT 6:00PM
ADRIAN ANNEX, NORA BLVD., ADRIAN, GA. 31002

- I. **Call Meeting to Order: Mayor Smith** called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.
- II. **Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance:** Invocation by **CM Robert Fountain Jr.** All in attendance stood for the pledge.
- III. **Adoption of Agenda: Mayor Smith** asked the council to add a business license application to the agenda and the Feed-a-Kid program. **CM SHutchinson** made a motion to amend the agenda to include the two items and adopt the agenda. Motion seconded by **CM Love**. Motion carried by **CM OHutchinson, CM Yawn, and CM Fountain**. Motion passed.
- IV. **Announcements: None**
- V. **Public Speakers: None**
- VI. **Adoption of Minutes: CM Fountain** made a motion to adopt the **April 11th minutes and executive minutes**. Motion seconded by **CM SHutchinson**. Motion carried by **CM Yawn, CM OHutchinson, and CM Love**. Motion passed.
- VII. **Reconciliations: Mayor Smith** asked clerk Felicia Owen to give an update on the reconciliations. The clerk stated that the Johnson County SPLOST account and Rec. Dept. Account have been completed to the end of 2020. They are currently waiting to hear back from Southern Software to start on the other accounts and finish the water account.
- VIII. **Unfinished Business:**
 - a. **Municipal Court Prosecutor Ordinance Update-** **Mayor Smith** presented the council with an ordinance for the court solicitor. The **Mayor** also stated that Paul Calhoun presented a price of \$150 per visit and the chief and he agreed on quarterly visits. **CM Yawn** made a motion to hire Paul Calhoun as the city solicitor. Motion seconded by **CM Love**. Motion carried by **CM Fountain, CM SHutchinson, and CM OHutchinson**. Motion passed.
 - b. **Water Meter Tablet Training-** **Mayor Smith** reported to the council that Southern Software trained the employees on the meter tablet on April 22nd. The training went well and the meter readings were done with the tablet for the month of April. The tablet shortened the process for meter readings and bill processing.
 - c. **Land Survey Update-** **Mayor Smith** updated the council on the land surveys and stated that they found a company who has started working on the properties and they hope to be done by the end of the week.
 - d. **Reporting for ARPA-** **Mayor Smith** stated that the ARPA reporting has started. She explained the process and stated that their first report has been filed.
 - e. **Selling of Explorer-** **Mayor Smith** reported that the Explorer has been sold at the Lane Brothers Auction.

- f. **City Charter- Mayor Smith** stated that she received some questions about the charter. **CM Fountain** shared with Paul Calhoun something he noticed in the charter and asked about section specifying districts. Paul stated he would look into the section and specifying that the city currently does not use districts.
- g. **Mayor Pro Tem- Mayor Smith** informed the council that she would like to have nominations for **Mayor Pro Tem** at the June council meeting.
- h. **Speed Bumps-** The city has gotten in one set of speed bumps. They need to purchase signs before being able to put the speed bump in place on Mill St.
- i. **Emanuel County SPLOST Update-** The **Mayor** submitted the request for splost details and asked if the council had anything they would like to add to let her know as soon as possible.
- j. **Welcome Signs- Mayor Smith** shared that Keith Hutcheson had reached out to her that he was the one they purchased the signs from in the past. All 4 welcome signs were now replaced and made of metal.
- k. **Scope of Work for Bank Building-** Eric McDaniel has looked at the bank building and will be getting together a scope of work for the city.
- l. **First Responder Grant- Mayor Smith** announced that the city received and dispersed the first responder grant for the fire fighters and police chief.
- m. **Reconciliations Update-** Spoken about previously.
- n. **Concession Stand Update- CM Love** stated that they had ordered all of the equipment for the concession stand. They plan to start working on the concession stand this week.
- o. **July 4th Update- CM SHutchinson** stated that things are going good with the event planning. The next gathering is scheduled for May 25th. The council then discussed purchasing fireworks for the event. The council will decide on an amount at the next meeting.

IX. New Business:

- a. **New Maintenance Employee-**Not discussed.
- b. **Reporting for ARPA Grant- Mayor Smith** reminded the council that the city should be receiving the next part of the grant in July.
- c. **Update Ordinances- Mayor Smith** spoke to the council about the ordiances she suggested updating first.
- d. **Yard of the Month-** The month of May Yard of the Month was awarded to Jennifer and Eric McDaniel on Mill St.
- e. **Department Heads- Mayor Smith** that the department heads are as followed: **CM SHutchinson**: Fire Dept., Rec. Dept.: **CM Love**, **CM SHutchinson**, and **CM OHutchinson**, Police Dept.: **CM Fountain**, and Administration: **Mayor Smith**.
- f. **Tires for dump truck- Mayor Smith** stated that the dump truck was in need of new tires and they had been replaced.
- g. **Business License- Mayor Smith** presented the council with a business license application for Jo Ann Bedgood. They would be selling baked goods and garage sale like items. **CM SHutchinson** made a motion to approve the business license. Motion seconded by **CM Love**. Motion carried by **CM OHutchinson**, **CM Fountain**, and **CM Yawn**. Motion passed.
- h. **Feed-a-Kid- CM SHutchinson** and **CM Love** stated they will be doing feed-a-kid for 4 Mondays in June. They will share more information when they get it.

X. Executive Session: Not needed

XI. Reports:

(1) Department Head Reports

(A) Fire Department- Chief Yawn reported that things are going well with the department and ISO will be visiting the department soon.

(B) Street/Water Department- CM Yawn reported that the department is looking into repairing the current water leaks and repair them when possible.

(C) Police Department- Chief Strickland reported that the department has been having vehicle trouble. They are working on repairs. He stated that he is waiting on the numbers from DOT **CM Fountain** requested. Lastly he mentioned that he has been in contact with Dr. Kelly about grants and she is currently working on finishing the vest grant and starting the cops grant.

(D) Safety Department- CM Hutchinson had nothing to report.

(E) Recreation Department- Nothing to report.

(2) Council Members

(A) Suzanne Hutchinson- Nothing to report.

(B) Jesse Yawn- Nothing to report.

(C) Michelle Love- Nothing to report.

(D) Orweco Hutchinson- spoke to the council about a tree hanging over the road on North St. The council discussed that they had seen about the issue previously but did not find a resolution. The tree is on private property and the council agreed to reach out to the property owner.

(E) Robert Fountain Jr- spoke to the council about the disposal of dead animals in the city. They discussed looking into the best option since the state no longer removes them from roadways.

(3) Mayor- Wynola Smith asked the council their opinion about changing the monthly meeting time from 6:00pm to 5:30pm. The council agreed to leave the time as is.

Mayor Smith allowed citizen, Jason Bennett, to speak to the council. He discussed the cities purchase of the bank building and the renovations planned. He asked about other options the city could spend grant money on.

XII. Adjournment: CM Yawn made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by **CM Love**. Motion carried by **CM OHutchinson, CM SHutchinson, and CM Fountain**. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:08pm.