

BAXLEY CITY COUNCIL Regular Council Meeting Council Chambers

APRIL 13, 2022 8:30 a.m.

MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Baxley City Council was held on April 13, 2022, at 8:30 a.m., with the following members present: Mayor Tim Varnadore, Mayor Pro Tem Mickey Bass; Councilmembers: Betty Livingston, Pat Williams, Adam Thomas, Santina Fryer and Ora Hall.

Other city officials present were: Reid Lovett, City Manager; Jessica McLellan, Interim City Clerk; Alex Johnson, City Attorney, David Gore, Mitchell Wilkerson, and Police Chief Jeffery Taylor.

Mary Ann Ellis representing the Baxley News Banner was present.

Councilwoman Hall led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilwoman Livingston gave the invocation.

Mayor Pro Tem Bass made a motion approving the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of March 23, 2022 at 8:30 a.m. This motion was seconded by Councilwoman Fryer and carried unanimously.

Councilman Thomas made a motion approving the minutes of the Called Council Meeting of April 5, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. This motion was seconded by Councilwoman Livingston and carried unanimously.

Mayor Varnadore presented a proclamation for Brain Cancer/Tumor Awareness Month for the month of May 2022. He thanked the Merritt family for being present for the signing.

Mayor Pro Tem Bass made a motion approving the First Reading / Adoption of an Ordinance on a petition for annexation filed by Greg Herrin, located at 308 Gail Street, be annexed and establishing a Residential (R-12) Zone in voting districts #4. This motion was seconded by Councilwoman Hall and carried unanimously.

Councilman Thomas made a motion approving the First Reading / Adoption of an Ordinance on a petition for annexation filed by Greg Herrin, located at 356 Gail Street, be annexed and establishing a Residential (R-12) Zone in voting districts #4. This motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Bass and carried unanimously.

Councilman Thomas made a motion approving the First Reading / Adoption of an Ordinance on a petition for rezoning filed by William A. Baker, located at 961 Fair Street, be rezoned from a Residential (R-15) to a Business (B-2) Zone in voting districts #5. This motion was seconded by Councilwoman Hall and carried unanimously.

Councilwoman Livingston made a motion to set a public hearing for Tuesday, May 10, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. to hear public comments on a petition for annexation, filed by Marvin McIntyre, located at 92 Janis Street, be annexed and establishing a Business-Residential (BR-1) zone in voting district #2. This motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Bass and carried unanimously.

Councilwoman Livingston made a motion to set a public hearing for Tuesday, May 10, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. to hear public comments on a petition for zoning variance filed by Daryl Goode located at 198 North Thomas Street, in a Residential (RM-10) Zone in voting district #1. This motion was seconded by Councilwoman Fryer and carried unanimously.

Mayor Pro Tem Bass made a motion approving the City Manager's recommendation to award the bid to extend the concrete at the fire department to the low bidder, Concrete 2020. This motion was seconded by Councilwoman Livingston and carried unanimously.



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Councilwoman Hall made a motion approving the City Manager's recommendation to increase Tap Fees for new service installations to cover the City's cost. This motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Bass and carried unanimously.

Councilman Thomas made a motion to set a public hearing date on a petition for rezoning filed by Pentecostal Miracle Deliverance Church, located at 1317 MLK Avenue, be rezoned from an Agricultural (A-1) to a Residential (R-12) Zone in voting districts #2. This motion was seconded by Councilwoman Hall and carried unanimously.

City Manager Lovett announced that City Clerk Reba Cash has retired and read a letter from her. He stated that Jessica McLellan has been named Interim City Clerk until further notice.

Mayor Varnadore thanked Mayor Pro Tem Bass for filling in for him at the last council meeting. His absence was due to the birth of a grandchild.

Mayor Varnadore informed the Council of the following events: April 16, 2022 Downtown Development Authority Egg hunt at Water Works Park at 10:00 a.m., April 23, 2022 Annual Beautification Day at 8:30 a.m., May 5, 2022 Mayor's Prayer Breakfast at 6:30 a.m.

Councilwoman Fryer announced that the library had a successful ribbon cutting last week.

City Manager Lovett reminded the council of the Public Hearing April 19, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. and of the Chamber Gala April 28, 2022.

There being no further business, Mayor Varnadore declared the meeting adjourned.