REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

The regular meeting of the Baxley City Council was held on February 9, 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; Reba Cash, City Clerk; Alex Johnson, City Attorney, Miranda Tanner, David Gore, Mitchell Wilkerson, Wayne Mullis, Moses Eason, Robert Garcia, Lt. Clinton Hendrix and Police Chief Jeffery Taylor.

Artiffany Stanley, GMA Member Service Consultant was present.

Councilwoman Hall led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilwoman Fryer gave the invocation.

Councilwoman Fryer made a motion approving the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of January 26, 2022 at 8:30 a.m. This motion was seconded by Councilwoman Hall and carried unanimously.

Mayor Varnadore introduced Artiffany Stanley who recognized Councilwoman Fryer with a certificate of completion from the University of Georgia, Carl Vinson Institute of Government and The Georgia Municipal Association the Robert E. Knox Jr. Municipal Leadership Institute.

City Manager Lovett and Lt. Clinton Hendrix shared their vision of a Leadership Program for City of Baxley employees. Over the course of the eight months these employees learned about holding a supervisory position, becoming more knowledgeable, discipline in the workplace and how to be a positive and effective leader. Recognized for completion of the Leadership Program were: Wayne Mullis, Moses Eason, Robert Garcia, and Mitchell Wilkerson. City employees owe it to the citizens of Baxley to provide the best service possible with respect and professionalism. These gentlemen show great potential for the future as leaders in their respective fields.

Mayor Pro Tem Bass made a motion to set a public hearing date of Tuesday, March 8, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. to hear public comments on a petition for rezoning, filed by Lugo Properties LLC, located at 757 Holmesville Ave., be rezoned from a Business (B-2) zone to a Residential (RM-10) zone in voting district #3. This motion was seconded by Councilwoman Livingston and carried unanimously.

Councilman Thomas made a motion adopting a Resolution authorizing submission of a FY2022 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) application to the Georgia Department of Community Affairs and a Fair Housing Resolution. This motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Bass and carried unanimously.

Mayor's Report

- 1. Mayor Varnadore attended Governor Kemp's "Drop Inn Session" on January 28, 2022 along with other city and county elected officials.
- 2. Mayor Varnadore met attended Representative Buddy Carter's "Luncheon" on January 31, 2022 along with other city and county elected officials.

Council's Report

1. Councilwoman Fryer announced the DDA will meet this afternoon.

City Manager's Report

1. City Manager Lovett announced the Appling County Joint Comprehensive Plan Kick-off meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 23, 2022 at 10:00 located in the Appling County

Commissioners Meeting Room, at the Appling County Annex, 69 Tippins St. All stakeholders are invited.
There being no action taken or further business, Mayor Varnadore declared the meeting adjourned.
City Clerk