



**BAXLEY CITY COUNCIL**  
**Regular Council Meeting**  
**Council Chambers**

**APRIL 27, 2022**  
**8:30 a.m.**

**MINUTES**

The regular meeting of the Baxley City Council was held on April 27, 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, and Santina Fryer.

Councilwoman Ora Hall was excused.

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

Mary Ann Ellis representing the Baxley News Banner was present.

Mayor Pro Tem Bass led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Varnadore gave the invocation.

Mayor Pro Tem Bass made a motion approving the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of April 13, 2022 at 8:30 a.m. This motion was seconded by Councilwoman Livingston and carried unanimously.

Councilwoman Livingston made a motion approving the minutes of the Called Council Meeting of April 19, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. This motion was seconded by Councilwoman Fryer and carried unanimously.

Mayor Varnadore introduced Mike Deal as the Interim County Manager for Appling County.

Councilwoman Fryer made a motion approving the Second 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 Councilman Thomas and carried unanimously.

Councilwoman Livingston made a motion approving the Second 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 Second 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 Fryer and carried unanimously.

Councilwoman Livingston made a motion to set a public hearing for Tuesday, May 24, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. to hear public comments on a petition for rezoning, filed by Sabrina Dell Williams, located on Henry Ryals Street, be rezoned from a Residential (R-15) Zone to a Multi-Family Residential (RM-10) Zone. This motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Bass and carried unanimously.

Mayor Pro Tem Bass made a motion to approve an intergovernmental agreement with the Heart of Georgia Altamaha Regional Commission for Grant Administration Services on City of Baxley – American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) State Fiscal Recovery Fund (SFRF) Grant #GA-001111. This motion was seconded by Councilwoman Livingston and carried unanimously.

Councilwoman Fryer made a motion to sign a Resolution for the City of Baxley – American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) State Fiscal Recovery Fund (SFRF) Grant #GA-0011101 naming the Heart of Georgia Altamaha Regional Commission Sole Procurement for Grant Administration Technical Services.



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Mayor Varnadore Report:

- April 16, 2022 Egg hunt was a success and thanked Public Works, the Downtown Development Authority, and Livy Hiers for all their hard work.
- April 27, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. – Crime Victims Memorial Program
- April 28, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. – Gala at Melan Barn
- May 5, 2022 at 6:30 a.m. – Mayor's Prayer Breakfast at Baxley Church of God

Councilwoman Fryer announced that the Downtown Development Authority is working with the Heart of Georgia on a plan to revitalize the downtown area.

A member of the public, Carlos Rooks, presented a question concerning handicap trash service.

Councilwoman Fryer made a motion to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel. This motion was seconded by Councilwoman Livingston and carried unanimously.

After Executive Session, Mayor Varnadore reconvened the meeting.

Mayor Pro Tem Bass made a motion approving ½ pay for 90 days for Gabriele Rozier due to illness. This motion was seconded by Councilwoman Livingston and carried unanimously.

City Manager Lovett made a recommendation to name Jessica McLellan as City Clerk. Councilwoman Fryer made a motion to approve. This motion was seconded by Councilman Bass and carried unanimously.

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

  
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City Clerk