

City Hall
January 5, 2021

The regular council meeting was held on Tuesday January 5, 2021 at 6:00 pm with Mayor John J. Rabun, Jr. presiding.

Those present were Councilmembers Edward Rabun, David Hannah, Marty Amerson, Michelle Weatherford-Usry and Stephanie Hannah.

Others present were City Administrator Arty Thrift, City Clerk Cassie Bartlett, City Attorney Chris Dube, Police Chief Jamey Kitchens, Fire Chief Keith Boulineau and Wastewater Treatment Plant Superintendent Larry Anderson.

Citizens present were Daniel Eubanks and Christopher Holdeman.

City Administrator Arty Thrift gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Michelle Weatherford-Usry made a motion to adopt the Agenda as printed. Marty Amerson seconded the motion; all in favor.

Minutes of the December 1, 2020 regular council meeting, minutes of the December 1, 2020 executive session meeting, minutes of the December 15, 2020 called council meeting and minutes of the December 21, 2020 called council meeting minutes were approved as printed with a motion made by Michelle Weatherford-Usry. Stephanie Hannah seconded the motion; all in favor.

Marty Amerson made a motion to approve the General Fund, Water & Sewer Fund, Gas Fund and Landfill & Sanitation Fund Summary Financial Statement as presented. Michelle Weatherford-Usry seconded the motion; all in favor.

In staff reports, Fire Chief Keith Boulineau, Police Chief Jamey Kitchens, Wastewater Superintendent Larry Anderson and City Administrator Arty Thrift presented Council with a report on activities of their respective departments.

For unfinished/old business, Mayor John J. Rabun, Jr. provided a presentation to Council of the 2020 year-end achievements for each department.

There was no new business.

In Committee Reports, Michelle Weatherford-Usry discussed upcoming meetings for Wrens Hometown Partnership.

David Hannah made a motion to enter into executive session to discuss **Personnel**. Stephanie Hannah seconded the motion; all in favor.

- (1) That this Mayor and Council now enter into closed session as allowed by O.C.G.A. § 50-14-4 and pursuant to the advice by the City Attorney, for the purpose of discussing the following:
Personnel.
- (2) That this body, in open session adopt a resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor or presiding officer to execute an affidavit in compliance with O.C.G.A. § 50-14-4 and that this body ratify the actions of the council taken in closed session and confirm that the subject matters of the closed session were within exceptions permitted by the open meeting law said resolution form to be in separate notebook kept with the minute book.

Edward Rabun made a motion to return to regular session. Marty Amerson seconded the motion; all in favor.

Back in open session, Michelle Weatherford-Usry made a motion to accept the recommendation of Police Chief Jamey Kitchens to hire Mikko Luckey to the position of full time Patrol Officer with an hourly

rate of \$16.29 (Grade 7, Step 11) to be effective January 7, 2021. Marty Amerson seconded the motion; all in favor.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:01 pm.

Cassie Bartlett
City Clerk