City Hall

June 3, 2025

The regular council meeting was held on Tuesday, June 3, 2025 at 6:00 pm with Mayor David Hannah presiding.

Those present were Councilmembers Connie Nelson, Torrey King, Marty Amerson, Michelle Weatherford-Usry and Corey Hall.

Others present were City Attorney Chris Dube, City Clerk Cassie Bartlett and Police Officer Landry Johnson.

Citizens present were Wanda Smith, Dr. Willie Jones, KC Thomas, Vincent Stone, Jenifer Eubanks, Charles Rutland, Delores Rutland, Nancy Morris, Stephanie Stuckey, Daniel Eubanks, Sharena Vaughn, Michael Brown, Brenda Burns and Norma Miller.

Reverend Willie Jones gave the invocation and Councilmember Marty Amerson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Marty Amerson made a motion to adopt the agenda as printed. Corey Hall seconded the motion; all in favor.

Minutes of the May 1, 2025 work session and May 6, 2025 regular council meeting were approved as printed with a motion made by Connie Nelson. Torrey King seconded the motion; all in favor.

Michelle Weatherford-Usry made a motion to approve the Bank Statement Balances as of May 31, 2025. Corey Hall seconded the motion; all in favor.

In Staff Reports, there were none.

For Unfinished/Old Business, there were none.

In New Business, Michelle Weatherford-Usry made a motion to mail a letter to Georgia DOT inviting the staff representatives to the work session meeting on June 26, 2025 and also the July 1, 2025 regular city council meeting to request a traffic study at the intersection of SR 4 and Hwy 221 and the intersection at Ramsgate Drive and Ingles parking lot entrance. Also to discuss a truck route for moving truck traffic out of downtown Wrens.

In Committee Reports, there were none.

Corey Hall made a motion to enter into executive session to discuss **Personnel**. Michelle Weatherford-Usry 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.

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

Back in regular session, Corey Hall made a motion to approve realigning the police department to operate with one (1) police officer on each day shift and two (2) on each night shift, which would total 6 full-time road officers. The police department is currently set up for 2 police officers per shift, totaling 8 road officers. The Chief, Lieutenant and part time officers would fill in the gaps on coverage. Michelle Weatherford-Usry seconded the motion; all in favor.

Torrey King made a motion to approve a $2.00 per hour raise for every full-time police officer currently employed. Newly hired officers starting pay will be $21.29 per hour. Connie Nelson seconded the motion; all in favor.

Current w/$2 raise

Lt. Misty May $22.84 $24.84

Sgt. Michael Brown $21.26 $23.26

Sgt. Chris Young $20.76 $22.76

Ofc. Demondre Mahoney $19.29 $21.29

Ofc. Justin Rowland $19.29 $21.29

There being no further business, Corey Hall made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Marty Amerson seconded; all in favor. The meeting adjourned at 6:26 pm.

Cassie Bartlett

City Clerk