Sandersville City Council

Working Session Minutes

August 6, 2018 – 4:00 P.M.

Council Members and City Employees present:

Mayor Jimmy Andrews Victor Cuyler, Chief SPD

Mayor Pro Tem Jeffery Smith Russell Riner, Chief SFD

Council Member Mayme Dennis Wayne Poole, Electric Department Director

Council Member Henry Watts Robert Eubanks, Public Works Director

Council Member Danny Brown Dave Larson, Building Official

Council Member Jason Davis Brianna Wiley, Finance Director

Robert Wynne, City Attorney Karrie Brown, City Clerk

Judy McCorkle, City Administrator

Mayor Andrews called the working session to order at 4:00 p.m. He noted that Council Member Dennis should be in attendance before the business meeting at 5:00 p.m.

Recognitions:

Kay Lawrence and Carla Belcher, with the Community Health Care Systems, gave an overview of their locations and services which include 17 locations in 12 counties, a sliding scale for co-pays, and assistance with medications. Mrs. Belcher noted there are two locations in Washington County, one in Sandersville and one in Tennille. Mayor Andrews then presented a proclamation to the Community Health Care group naming August 12-18, 2018 as National Health Center Week.

Brian Wright with Wright & Wright P.C. then presented the FY 2017 audit to the Mayor and Council. Mr. Wright passed out a summary packet, which compares FY 2017 to FY 2016 and briefly went over various items. He then thanked Finance Officer Brianna Wiley, City Administrator McCorkle, and all City staff for their hard work.

Shaun Veal with the Washington County Historical Society presented a report on the use of the Hotel/Motel tax money that the City provides to them to enhance tourism. He noted that this funding has allowed the Brown House Museum and the Genealogy Center/Old Jail to open on Fridays and Saturdays which has significantly increased their visitation.

Council Member Dennis joined the meeting at 4:30 p.m.

Department Reports:

Police Chief Cuyler gave the July 2018 Activity Report for both the Police Department and Animal Control. Chief Cuyler stated on the regular agenda there is a maintenance contract renewal for the body cameras which includes the electronic storage.

Fire Chief Riner gave an activity report for the Fire Department from January 2018 through July 2018. Fire Chief Riner stated there is still 1 open

position for a volunteer fire fighter.

Electric Director Poole stated his crews are making progress on the East Haynes Street project. Also his spare digger truck, a 1990 model, is down and the estimate for repairs is approximately \$12,000.00.

Public Works Director Eubanks stated that the street department has repaired several pot holes as discussed at the last Council meeting. He stated the proposed project list for the 2019 LMIG is on the regular agenda for approval. He noted the 10% match plus the cost difference will be paid out of TSPLOST funds.

Public Works Director Eubanks stated the Ferncrest Water Plant Generator has been delivered and is currently being wired up. They hope it is ready to test next week. He is still waiting to hear back on the grant application for the Waste Water Treatment Plant generator.

Public Works Director Eubanks stated there is a bid award on the regular agenda for weed killer and he noted there was only one responsive bidder. Also, there is a resolution on the regular agenda from the Georgia Department of Transportation for the City to accept about a third of a mile of what was Highway 242 (Saffold Road). The County has been asked to accept the remaining portion of this road.

Public Works Director Eubanks would like to set the date of August 30th at 5:00 p.m. to dedicate P.L. Braswell Way (formally Deer Street).

Building Official Larson stated there will be a public hearing followed by a vote on the regular agenda to make corrections to the zoning map, which were caused by the map vendor not properly coloring the zoning.

Finance Director Wiley stated there is an invoice for approval on the regular agenda for the FY 2017 audit.

Mayor and Council Reports

Council Member Brown stated that Christian Cobb is present at the meeting and that Mr. Cobb would like to discuss a concern about his lot on East Haynes Street. Mayor Andrews noted that Mr. Cobb will be able to speak during the regular meeting under other business.

Mayor Andrews adjourned the Working Session at 5:00 p.m.