Sandersville City Council Meeting Minutes October 1, 2018 – 4:55 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	Karrie Brown, City Clerk
Judy McCorkle, City Administrator	

Absent: Bob Wynne, City Attorney

Mayor Andrews called the October 1, 2018 meeting of the Sandersville City Council to order at 4:55 p.m.

Council Member Watts gave the invocation and Citizen Willie Ann Montford led the pledge to the American flag.

APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Council Member Brown made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 17, 2018 regular meeting of the City Council as presented. Council Member Watts seconded the motion passed unanimously. (Attachment A)

MOTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION #2018-20: A RESOLUTION DECLARING PROPERTY AS SURPLUS

Mayor Pro Tem Smith made a motion to adopt Resolution #2018-20: A Resolution declaring certain property of the City of Sandersville as surplus and authorizing its disposal. Council Member Watts seconded and the motion passed unanimously. (Attachment B)

MOTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION #2018-21: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DESTRUCTION OF MUNICIPAL RECORDS

Council Member Brown made a motion to adopt Resolution #2018-21: A Resolution authorizing the destruction of certain municipal records. Mayor Pro Tem Smith seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Mayor Pro Tem Smith seconded and the motion passed unanimously. (Attachment C)

MOTION TO AUTHORIZE ADVERTISING PROPOSED MILLAGE RATE FOR 2018

Mayor Pro Tem Smith made a motion to authorize the City Administrator and City Clerk to publish the Current 2018 Tax Digest and 5 Year History of Levy to set the millage rate for the City's Ad Valorem taxes for the calendar year 2018 at 5.635 mills. Council Member Dennis seconded and the motion passed unanimously. (Attachment D)

MOTION TO AWARD A BID FOR CDBG PROJECT AT THE BOYS & GIRLS CLUB

Mayor Pro Tem Smith made a motion to award a bid to MMI Construction in the amount of \$456,185.00 for the 2017 City of Sandersville CDBG project at the Boys and Girls Club. Council Member Dennis seconded and the motion passed unanimously. (Attachment E)

Building Official Larson explained that since the project cost is under budget, the Boys and Girls Club will meet and decide on what to use the excess funding for.

MOTION TO AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF AN INVOICE FOR REPAIRS TO DIGGER TRUCK IN THE ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT

Council Member Dennis made a motion to authorize payment of an invoice to Altec in the amount of \$12,385.71 for repairs to the digger truck in the Electric Department. Council Member Brown seconded and the motion passed unanimously. (Attachment F)

MOTION TO DECLARE 40 CHRISTMAS WREATHS AS SURPLUS

Council Member Dennis made a motion to declare 40 Christmas Wreaths as surplus and authorize the City Administrator to convey them to the City of Davisboro. Council Member Brown seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

MOTION TO APPROVE CITY EMPLOYEES YEAR END INCENTIVE PAYMENTS

Council Member Brown made a motion to approve City Employees Year End Incentive Payment in the same amount as 2017 plus FICA and Medicare. Council Member Watts seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

MOTION TO AUTHORIZE CITY DEPARTMENTS TO CLOSE FOR THE ANNUAL THANKSGIVING MEAL

Council Member Dennis made a motion to authorize all non-essential departments to close at 12:30 p.m. on Wednesday, November 21st to attend the annual Thanksgiving meal. Mayor Pro Tem Smith seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Other Business:

Susan Lewis of the Sandersville Downtown Development Authority stated they have received a request for funding to purchase banners for Black History Month. The cost of the banners is \$48.00 each but the cost of the art work set up is \$112.00. The Council Members then discussed the design options. Ms. Lewis noted the DDA will do additional research and bring back a recommendation to the Council.

Dan Hutching discussed issues with the Animal Control department including the application process to set traps on private property and the funding from the County. The Mayor, Council Members, Police Chief, and City Administrator discussed these issues with Mr. Hutching. City Administrator McCorkle stated the City and County are working on updating the policies, procedure, and funding. Once a consensus is reached, then both the City and County will approve the new policies and procedures and then they will be made public.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Pro Tem Smith made a motion to enter into an Executive Session to discuss personnel matters. Council Member Watts seconded and the motion passed unanimously with favorable votes from Mayor Pro Tem Smith, Council Member Dennis, Council Member Watts, Council Member Brown, and Council Member Davis.

MOTION TO APPROVE TO HIRE FOR POSITIONS IN THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, PUBLIC WORKS, AND CITY HALL

Council Member Dennis made a motion to approve to hire for positions in the Police Department, Public Works, and City Hall pending the passage of all required pre-employment exams including physical and drug screen. Mayor Pro Tem Smith seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

MOTION TO EXTEND OFFER FOR ASSISTANT CITY ATTORNEY POSITION

Council Member Dennis made a motion to extend an offer to Keenan Howard for an Assistant City Attorney position pending approval from the Development Authority of Washington County. Council Member Brown seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Council Member Dennis made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Smith seconded and the meeting was unanimously adjourned.