

**Sandersville City Council
Meeting Minutes**

January 16, 2024- 5:00 p.m.

Council Members and City Employees present:

Mayor Jimmy Andrews	Brianna Wiley, Finance Director
Mayor Pro Tem Jeffery Smith	Alex Lowe, Water Director
Council Member Ben Salter	Kandice Hartley, City Clerk
Council Member Mayme Dennis	Robert Eubanks, Public Works Director
Council Member Danny Brown	Nathan Riner, Interim Fire Chief
Council Member Deborah Brown	Dave Larson, Community Development
Keenan Howard, City Attorney	Carson Daley, DDA/Mainstreet
Judy McCorkle, City Administrator	

Mayor Andrews called the January 16, 2024 meeting of the Sandersville City Council to order.

Mayor Jimmy Andrews, gave the invocation and Development Authority Director Jayson Johnston led the pledge to the American flag.

APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Council Member Salter made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 18, 2023 and January 2, 2024 council meetings. Council Member Brown seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

MOTION TO TABLE RESOLUTION #2024-01: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE INTRODUCTION OF LEGISLATION TO CHANGE THE CITY CHARTER OF THE CITY OF SANDERSVILLE, GEORGIA TO PROVIDE FOR A COUNCIL-MANAGER FORM OF GOVERNMENT AND TO STAGGER ELECTION TERMS FOR CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS.

Mayor Pro Tem Smith made a motion to table Resolution #2024-01: A Resolution authorizing the introduction of legislation to change the City Charter of the City of Sandersville, Georgia to provide for a council-manager form of Government and to stagger election terms for City Council members. Council Member Danny Brown seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

MOTION TO PAY AN INVOICE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$24,029.57 TO THE WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR THE 2024 ELECTION.

Council Member Salter made a motion to pay an invoice in the amount of \$24,029.57 to the Washington County Board of Commissioners for the 2024 Election. Council Member Dennis seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

MOTION TO PAY AN INVOICE TO L&L UTILITIES, INC FOR PRESSURE WASHING FERNCREST GROUND STORAGE TANK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,411.

Council Member Dennis made a motion to pay an invoice to L&L Utilities, Inc for pressure washing Ferncrest Ground Storage Tank in the amount of \$7,411. Council Member Deborah Brown seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

MOTION TO APPROVE CHANGE ORDER NO. THREE TO L&L UTILITIES, INC TO ADJUST CONTRACT TIME FOR THE SOUTH WATER TREATMENT PLANT PROJECT.

Mayor Pro Tem Smith made a motion to approve Change Order No. Three to L&L Utilities, Inc to adjust contract time for the South Water Treatment Plant project. Council Member Danny Brown seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

MOTION TO APPROVE CHANGE ORDER NO. THREE TO L&L UTILITIES, INC TO ADJUST CONTRACT TIME FOR THE SEWERAGE SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS, DIVISION TWO PROJECT.

Council Member Salter made a motion to approve Change Order No. Three to L&L Utilities, Inc to adjust contract time for the Sewerage System Improvements, Division Two Project. Council Member Danny Brown seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

MOTION TO AWARD A SOLE SOURCE BID TO VULCAN INDUSTRIES, INC IN THE AMOUNT OF \$60,378.90 FOR REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT AND PARTS FOR WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT.

Council Member Dennis made a motion to award a sole source bid to Vulcan Industries, Inc in the amount of \$60,378.90 for replacement equipment and parts for Wastewater Treatment Plant. Mayor Pro Tem Smith seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

MOTION TO PAY AN INVOICE TO GOVERNMENT TAX SERVICES, LLC IN THE AMOUNT OF \$8,710.00 FOR THE 2023 TAX COLLECTION FEES.

Council Member Dennis made a motion to pay an invoice to Government Tax Services, LLC in the amount of \$8,710.00 for the 2023 Tax Collection fees. Council Member Salter seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

MOTION TO ALLOW OPEN CONTAINERS AT THE DOWNTOWN MAIN STREET EVENT ON FEBRUARY 2, 2024.

Mayor Pro Tem Smith made a motion to allow open containers at the downtown Main Street event on February 2, 2024. Council member Salter seconded and the motion passed with favorable votes from Mayor Pro Tem Smith, Council Member Salter, Council Member Danny Brown, Council Member Deborah Brown. Council Member Dennis voted against the motion.

MOTION TO PAY AN INVOICE TO AXON ENTERPRISE INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$14,978 FOR THE 2020 TASER 7 CERTIFICATION BUNDLE.

Council Member Salter made a motion to pay an invoice to Axon Enterprise Inc. in the amount of \$14,978 for the 2020 Taser 7 Certification bundle. Council Member Danny Brown seconded and the motion passed with favorable votes from Mayor Pro Tem Smith, Council Member Salter, Council Member Danny Brown, Council Member Deborah Brown. Council Member Dennis voted against the motion.

MOTION TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PROPERTY AND LEGAL.

Council Member Salter made a motion to enter into executive session to discuss property and legal. Council Member Brown seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS:

MOTION TO PAY AN INVOICE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,227.50 TO AUTRY, HALL & COOK FOR LEGAL WORK FOR THE CLEANS PARK CONTRACT.

Mayor Pro Tem Smith made a motion to pay an invoice in the amount of \$6,227.50 to Autry, Hall, & Cook for legal work for the Cleanspark Contract. Council Member Danny Brown seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE A QUITCLAIM DEED BETWEEN THE CITY OF SANDERSVILLE AND THE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF WASHINGTON COUNTY FOR PROPERTY AT THE INDUSTRIAL PARK.

Mayor Pro Tem Smith made a motion to authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a quitclaim deed between The City of Sandersville and the Development Authority of Washington County for property at the industrial park. Council Member Salter seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

MOTION TO RETAIN THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES OF TRIPLE POINT, DAVEN PORT AND SEAFORTH SHAW TO HELP WITH THE PROCESS OF A ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROSPECT.

Mayor Pro Tem Smith made a motion to retain the professional services of Triple Point,

Daven port and Seaforth Shaw to help with the process of a economic development project. Council Member Dennis seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

MOTION TO APPROVE JAYSON JOHNSTON WITH THE WASHINGTON COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY TO CREATE RECRUITMENT INCENTIVES FOR A ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECT

Council Member Dennis made a motion to approve Jayson Johnston with the Washington County Development Authority to create recruitment incentives for an economic development project. Council Member Brown seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

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