



CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL CALLED MEETING

FEBRUARY 24, 2025 AT 11:00 AM

COUNCIL CHAMBERS - 1859 CITY CENTER WAY, JONESBORO, GA 30236

MINUTES

I. CALLED TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Sartor at 11:03 a.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Present:

Mayor Donya L. Sartor

Mayor Pro-Tem Tracey Messick

Councilmember Alfred Dixon (via phone at 11:03 a.m.) (In person at 11:52 a.m.)

Councilmember Don Dixon

Councilmember Bobby Lester

Councilmember Asjah Miller

Councilmember Billy Powell

City Manager, ChaQuias Miller-Thornton

Interim City Clerk, Shandrella Jewett

City Attorney, David Dreyer

Finance Director, Cynthia Hammond

Police Major, Christopher Cato

Public Works Director, Marcus Heard

Downtown Main Street Manager, Andrew Simpson

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. Executive Session for the purpose of discussing pending litigation, real estate, or personnel matters.

At 11:05 a.m. a motion was made to enter into Executive Session to discuss pending litigation and personnel matters.

RESULT: Approved (Vote was unanimous)

MOVER: Mayor Pro-Tem Messick

SECONDER: Councilmember Lester

At 12:03 p.m. a motion was made to reconvened to the Special Called Meeting.

RESULT: Approved (Vote was unanimous)

MOVER: Councilmember D. Dixon

SECONDER: Councilmember A. Dixon

- B. Consider any action(s), if necessary, based on decision(s) made in Executive Session.

Council to consider the approval and appointment of Police Major Christopher Cato as the Interim Chief of Police with a salary of \$110,671.30.

RESULT: Approved (Vote was unanimous)

MOVER: Mayor Pro-Tem Messick

SECONDER: Councilmember D. Dixon

- C. Council to consider approval and adoption of Resolution #2025-002 regarding Payment of Benefits for Elected Officials.

Benefits/Payment of Benefits to end February 28, 2024.

RESULT: Approved (Vote 4 to 2)

MOVER: Councilmember D. Dixon

SECONDER: Councilmember Powell

AYES: Mayor Pro-Tem Messick, Councilmembers D. Dixon, Lester, and Powell

NAY: Councilmember A. Dixon and Miller

- D. Council to consider approval of a Sales Agreement between Deep South Fireworks, LLC and the City of Jonesboro, Georgia.

RESULT: Motion did not pass (Vote 3 to 3)

MOVER: Councilmember Miller

SECONDER: Councilmember A. Dixon

AYES: Councilmembers A. Dixon, Lester, and Miller

NAY: Mayor Pro-Tem Messick, Councilmembers D. Dixon, and Powell

Mayor Pro-Tem Messick asked Andrew Simpson to provide firework estimates to the Council by the next meeting. Mayor Sartor recommended removing the item or tabling the item. However, no further action was taken.

- E. Council to consider Employee Service Incentives (Non-police patrol).

Mayor Sartor stated this is a one-time incentive for full-time employees who have been employed with the City of Jonesboro for a year.

RESULT: Approved (Vote 4 to 3)

MOVER: Councilmember A. Dixon

SECONDER: Councilmember Miller

AYES: Mayor Sartor, Councilmembers A. Dixon, Lester, and Miller

NAYS: Mayor Pro-Tem Messick, Councilmembers D. Dixon, and Powell

IV. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 12:22 p.m.

RESULT: Approved (Vote was unanimous)

MOVER: Councilmember Powell

SECONDER: Councilmember D. Dixon

Dr. Donya L. Sartor, Mayor

Shandrella Jewett, Interim City Clerk