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MINUTES CITY COUNCIL MEETING JULY 11, 2022

Work Session started at 6pm
Opened Meeting by Mayor Ransom Farley 7:00pm
Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Ransom Farley
Invocation by Councilor Alvin Howard

Approval of minutes for June 13th were approved. Councilor Howard made the motion to approve, and Mayor Farley 2nd the motion. Vote unanimous. Councilor Whearley by phone. Councilor Greg Allen absent.

Fire Report: By Assist Fire Chief Zack Sisk, training is doing well. We have 3 new sets of turnout gear for the newly certified firefighters.

Maintenance Report:

Ben Hood- Reported they are making progress on the high school lift station. Also, in process of building a map room at the shop to store water maps etc. Ben stated there was an issue with the Sweet bay Water tower, in order to do maintenance, they have to disconnect from the system, we lose water pressure which will cost 15000.00.

Terrance Mahone- Last month they decide to put a no parking sign to cut down on the trash on the sides of the Hamilton Inn. The signs seem to be working. Tree limb incident on Barnes Mill Rd. happened again, with no damage this time to the fence. Streets has hired another full-time employee who will start on August 1.

Police Report: Chief Weiss wanted to show his appreciation to Cathedral of Hope hosting a First Responder Appreciation Day. August 2, will be Law enforcement night out: they go out in the community meet people. They are looking to do a particle stop in Sweet bay and Friendship Baptist Church. Congratulation to Officer Julie Haynes on an highspeed pursuit with the county and she spotted vehicle coming into Hamilton. The Old Middle School has been renovated and will be an active school, the cameras will be operational when school begin. 2022 Police new vehicle had to be sent to back, the air condition went out. Chief Weiss will be attending Chief training conference July 24-27. First Day of school is August 5th. Hamilton Ice Cream Day will be starting back soon.

Audit for 2021 has been complete. Copies of audit and finding are at City Hall.

Amending 2022 budget to reflect higher cost was table.

Millage rate will be approved in August 2022 meeting. Currently at 7.025. This will be advertised in the paper, also will have 3 meetings: July 18th at 10am, August 4 at 10am, and August 8th will approve at regular meeting.

Mayor and Council appointed Planning and Zoning Commission until December- Virginia Mann, Virginia Holloway, Julie Brown, Lee Sallas, and Rick Knight. Councilor Whearley made the motion to appoint P & Z until December, Councilor Howard 2nd the motion. Vote Unanimous. They will meet Thurs. at 11am.

Citizen's comment by Virginia Holloway- When will the Rails to Trails be done? December 31, 2022.

Citizen's comment by Patricia Holloway- Concern they are still parking in front of post office. The no parking signs are up. Mayor suggested we start writing tickets.

Executive Session Requested by City Atty Robert Wadkins Jr.
No further comments from Council or Mayor
Adjournment

Mayor Ransom Farley

Mayor Pro-tem Patrick Whearley

Councilor Greg Allen

Councilor Alvin Howard

City Clerk Tonia Crittenden