City of Hamilton 210 Walton Street Po Box 112 Hamilton, Ga 31811 706-628-5321 Fax 706-628-9520 Mayor Ransom Farley **November 14, 2022 Minutes**

Open Session by Mayor Farley Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Farley Invocation done by Alvin Howard

Approval of October 10, 2022 Minutes were approved, Councilor Allen made the motion to approve, Mayor Pro-Tem 2nd. Vote unanimous.

<u>Fire Report</u>- Report given by Asst Fire Chief Blake Cooper explaining the need for a fire engine and what it in tale. Hopefully we will be able to get help from the FEMA.

<u>Water/Sewer Report</u>- Ben report that we have the Sweet Bay booster station needs remodeling. Councilors were given 2 quotes. He also reported there are some issues with well #3 going from 140 gallons per minute to 86 gallons per minute. Champion Wells will come Tues. or Wednesday to look at it.

<u>Maintenance Report</u>- Terrence report everything is going well in the city of Hamilton. The small dump truck will need repair the clutch is slipping. Christmas lights are being placed on the square. Christmas lights will be turned on the day after Thanksgiving.

Police Report- Chief Weiss reported our first ice cream event was held on Election Day. Halloween was a great success with a lot of help especially from SweetBay. City of Hamilton police were able to meet with the school board to discuss the climate of the atmosphere around school. Special thanks to Terry Edwards with Family Connection, providing list so that the City of Hamilton can help a few families. We want to welcome Tony Newton he is our new part-time employee. City of Hamilton had 67 services calls. Weiss reported a burglar but not able to give a lot of information. Weiss is also requesting for a new police vehicle. City of Hamilton currently have 2013, 2016, 2020, and 2022.

Hamilton LOCO- Second reading given by City Clerk for Hamilton Loco previous Short Stop at 132 N. College St. to approve the beer/wine off premises. Mayor Pro Tem Whearley made the motion to approve, Councilor Fields 2nd the motion. Vote unanimous.

Approving Heritage Villa Sewer Lift Station Repair and Sweetbay Pump Station so tank can be maintained. Mayor and Council were submitted 2 quotes, one from Amtech and second from TCNC. Mayor Pro-Tem Whearley made a motion to go with TCNC for Heritage Villa and Amtech for Sweetbay, Councilor Allen 2nd. Vote unanimous.

Mayor and Councilor discussed decision by Planning and Zoning concerning **Air BNB** not be allowed in Hamilton. HB 523 got veto by the government. Cities are able to deny Air BNB by ordinances. Planning and Zoning voted against. Decision was turned over to our attorneys for guidance. Decision tabled.

Christmas Bonus for employee and firefighters were approved. Councilor Greg Allen made the motion to approve bonuses up to 9000.00 for all to be given Friday Nov. 18, 22. Mayor Pro-Tem Whearley 2nd the motion. Vote unanimous.

Fire Engine approval. Councilor Alvin Howard made the motion to approve getting New Fire Engine for the City of Hamilton. Councilor Allen 2nd the motion. Vote unanimous.

City/County intergovernmental agreement approve on maintenance for City Vehicles. This contract is done every year with the county. Councilor Howard made the motion, Councilor Fields 2nd. Vote unanimous.

Adjourn

Mayor Ransom Farley

Mayor Pro-Tem Patrick Whearley

Councilor Alvin Howard

Councilor Greg Allen

City Clerk Tonia Crittenden

William Fields