

CITY OF MACON

Frank Dunmire *Mayor*

Pam Windell

Lori Huggins Treasurer

Council Members
Doug Huggins
Chad Rappe
Kimberly
Claussen
Caleb Beasley
Brandon Windell
Tom Long

CITY COUNCIL MEETING July 10, 2023

Mayor Frank Dunmire called the Macon City Council meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Present were Attorney Scott Garwood, Treasurer Lori Huggins, Clerk Pam Windell, Council Members Kimberly Reynolds, Brandon Windell, Doug Huggins, Tom Long, Caleb Beasley, and Chad Rappe. Also present were Charlie Dunmire, Kim Miller, Sue Cole, Ryan Murray, Mr., and Mrs. Gordon Stade, Stan Hogan, Kevin Buckley, and Members of the Meridian Ball Association.

The minutes from the June 12th meeting were reviewed and approved.

Kevin Buckley presented the Audit Report for the fiscal year of May 2022-April 2023. Mr. Buckley informed the council that having the IEPA loan required an additional audit procedure.

A motion was made by Alderman Huggins, seconded by Alderman Windell to accept the audit as presented. Motion carried.

Mayor Dunmire presented pay request no. 10 for water projects.

A motion was made by Alderman Rappe, seconded by Alderman Huggins to approve pay request no. 10 for water projects. Motion carried.

Alderman Huggins informed the council that a company is working on plans for ball field improvements, parking lot, and pavilion for old school park. The cost of the plans is \$2500.00. The plans should be presented at the August meeting. He also informed the council that street superintendent Cody Holsapple is requesting a fuel tank for the street department. He will have prices next month. Alderman Huggins informed the council that the storm cleanup continues.

Water Superintendent Charlie Dunmire informed the council that the Eastern Star nursing home water tower is now offline. The various water projects continue. He also informed the council that the vac truck is now on an auction site.

Mayor Dunmire informed the council that a property on Eckhardt Street consisting of three lots has been bought and a house will be built on the property soon. A new sewer line extension needs to be installed from that property to Wiles Street. The mayor will be contacting engineer Mark Bingham to have plans drawn up.

Alderwoman Reynolds presented the profit and loss reports.

Alderman Beasley informed the council that he had issued building permits for two sheds, two garages, and one demo permit.

Alderman Long presented the police report. He informed the council that a \$100.00 payment had been made for the Walsh Park damage. The total damage cost was \$1039.00, this was the first payment.

Mayor Dunmire expressed his concerns about the current police department not willing to follow direction from the City Council and will schedule a meeting with Sheriff Jim Root to determine what might be available through their office.

Mayor Dunmire presented Resolution no. 2023-03, a resolution providing for the allocation of TIF funds to Meridian Community Unit School District #15 for a parking infrastructure improvement project in the amount of \$7818.00.

A motion was by Alderman Rappe, seconded by Alderman Long to approve resolution no. 2023-03. Motion carried.

A member of the ball association was inquiring about when the work would be done on the ball fields at old school park. He is requesting larger fields, parking lot, storage shed, and lights. Alderman Huggins responded that he would have plans at next month's meeting. He asked if the ball association would be willing to help pay for improvements. The members of the ball association would be willing to have fund raisers to help with the cost of the improvement. After a brief discussion the council will wait for plans for the park improvements. It was consensus of the council that lights would not be part of the improvements.

Gordon Stade is requesting that 77 acres located at Andrews Street and Rt.51 be disconnected from the city.

A motion was made by Alderman Huggins, seconded by Alderwoman Reynolds to approve the property owned by Gordon Stade to be disconnected from the city. Motion carried.

Alderman Rappe – Aye Alderman Huggins – Aye Alderwoman Reynolds – Aye Alderman Windell - Aye Alderman Beasley - Aye Alderman Long – Nay

Treasurer Huggins presented the treasurer's report.

A motion was made by Alderman Beasley, seconded by Alderman Windell to approve the treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.

A motion was by Alderwoman Reynolds, seconded by Alderman Beasley to approve the bills as presented. Motion carried.

Mayor Dunmire presented a letter of resignation from treasurer Lori Huggins.

A motion was made by Alderman Rappe, seconded by Alderman Huggins to accept the letter of resignation from Lori Huggins. Motion carried.

Mayor Dunmire presented a letter of resignation from Alderwoman Kimberly Reynolds.

A motion was made by Alderman Windell, seconded by Alderman Huggins to accept the letter of resignation of Kimberly Reynolds. Motion carried.

Mayor Dunmire recommended Kimberly Reynolds be appointed treasurer.

A motion was made by Alderman Beasley, seconded by Alderman Huggins to appoint Kimberly Reynolds as treasurer. Motion carried.

Attorney Garwood swore Kimberly Reynolds in as treasurer.

A motion was made by Alderman Huggins, seconded by Alderman Rappe to adjourn. Motion carried.

The City Council adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Pam Windell