

CITY OF MACON

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CITY COUNCIL MEETING May 8, 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 Caleb Beasley, Kimberly Reynolds, Brandon Windell, Doug Huggins, Tom Long, and Chad Rappe. Also present were Cody Holsapple, Charlie Dunmire, Kim Miller, Korey Damery, Sue Cole, Chief Lamb, and Chris Kearns.

The minutes from the April 10th meeting were reviewed and approved.

Attorney Garwood swore in Aldermen Beasley, Huggins, and Rappe.

A motion was made by Alderwoman Reynolds, seconded by Alderman Beasley to approve payment request #8 to Burdick and Petersburg. Motion carried.

Street Supt. Holsapple presented a quote from Source Well for a Yanmar mini excavator from Vermeer Midwest in the amount of \$77,017.00.

A motion was made by Alderman Long, seconded by Alderman Huggins to approve the purchase of a mini excavator in the amount of \$77,017.00. Motion carried.

Chris Kearns, the new owner of Macon Speedway presented plans for new restrooms at the speedway. He applied for TIF and business district funds in the amount of \$204,910.00 for the restroom construction project. Moran Economic Development reviewed the application and the project is both TIF and business district eligible. After discussing the project, it was the consensus of the council to approve the recommendation of Moran Economic Development for this project.

A motion was made by Alderwoman Reynolds, seconded by Alderman Huggins to approve the project for Macon Speedway in the amount of \$204,910.00 to be with TIF and business district funds. Motion carried.

Alderman Huggins informed the council that the ball association had contacted him and wanted the city employees to line the ball fields before games. Alderman Huggins politely informed the chairman of ball association that the city employees are unable to provide that service.

The City will be receiving a check from IML for insurance claim in the amount of \$81,252.58 for damages caused by hail and wind to the community center.

Cody would like to try and have a dumpster at the street garage year-round for residents. It will be open 7-3:30 Monday-Friday. The council will agree to a trial period and review later in the year.

Water Supt. Dunmire informed the council that the Boody water valve is not operating automatically and he is controlling the valve manually. He is in the process of having it repaired. Sanitary manholes have been damaged by farmers. The covers will be replaced and signs will be posted at the manholes. The Eastern Star Nursing Home wants to take their water tower offline. They want to give the city the tower. The city engineers are looking at options.

Alderwoman Reynolds presented the profit and loss reports.

Alderman Long presented the police report.

Attorney Garwood presented Ordinance No. 2023-35, and ordinance amending chapter 38 of the city code of the City of Macon concerning water rates.

A motion was made by Alderwoman Reynolds, seconded by Alderman Beasley to approve Ordinance No. 2023-35. Motion carried.

Attorney Garwood informed the council the zoning board meeting was cancelled due to not enough board members attending. The meeting was to review solar energy installations. The zoning board will try to meet next month. He informed the council that Ms. Fitzpatrick is making progress on cleaning her property. A letter was sent to Frontier denying responsibility for any alleged damage accruing to any Frontier facilities. Scott has not received any response from Frontier.

Attorney Garwood informed the council that the closed minutes will have to be reviewed at the June meeting.

Zenner, the company the city uses for meter reading has been hacked and were unable to read meters in April. This resulted in the meter readings having to be estimated. They are working to get the system in working order. Update next month.

Treasurer Huggins presented the treasurer's report.

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

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

Alderman Huggins would like to review the holidays for employees.

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

The City Council adjourned at 7:00.

Respectful submitted, Pam Windell