



City of Fairburn
Mayor and Council Meeting Minutes
September 23, 2019
7:00 pm @ City Hall

- I. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by the Honorable Mayor Carr-Hurst.
- II. Roll Call was taken by Interim City Clerk, Shana T. Moss with the following members present:

Mayor Elizabeth Carr-Hurst

The Honorable Mayor Pro-Tem Linda J. Davis	The Honorable Alex Heath
The Honorable Pat Pallend	The Honorable Hattie Portis-Jones
The Honorable Ulysses J. Smallwood	The Honorable James Whitmore

The attendance of council constituted a quorum and the meeting proceeded.

- III. The invocation was rendered by Mr. Deris Coto. Mr. Coto is the Pastor at First Baptist Church of Fairburn.
- IV. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison.
- V. Presentation:
Mayor Elizabeth Carr-Hurst alongside Mayor Pro-Tem Linda Davis presented the family of the late Mrs. Shirley Pompey Sheats with a proclamation for the installation of the traffic light at Highway 92 and Campbellton Road. Mr. Tommy Sheats and Ms. Shana Sheats accepted the proclamation and thanked the City of Fairburn Council and staff for all of the support with getting the traffic light approved and installed by the Georgia Department of Transportation.
- VI. Public Comments:
 1. Mr. Darren Williams is a new homeowner in the St. John's Crossing subdivision and just recently moved to Fairburn with a job transfer. Mr. Williams wants to know if there is anything that can be done about the train horns in the early hours of the morning. Mr. Williams also stated that he loved Duncan park and wished that there was an hour that the pool was reserved for adults only swim.
- VII. Adoption of the Council Agenda: The motion to approve was made by Councilman Whitmore with the second provided by Mayor Pro-Tem Davis. Vote: 6-0: Motion Carried
- VIII. Adoption of Consent Agenda Items: There were no consent agenda items.
- IX. Adoption of City Council Minutes from September 9, 2019 the regular meeting and executive session.

The motion to approve the regular minutes was made by Councilman Heath and the second was provided by Mayor Pro-Tem Davis. Vote: 6-0: Motion Carried.

The motion to approve the executive session minutes was made by Councilman Whitmore with the second provided by Councilman Smallwood. Vote: 6-0: Motion Carried.

X. Public Hearing: There was no public hearing.

XI. Agenda Items:

1. Office of the Mayor Mayor Carr-Hurst
Arika Birdsong-Miller was appointed and sworn in as the City Clerk for the City of Fairburn.
The motion to approve was made by Councilman Heath and the second was provided by Councilman Whitmore. Vote: 6-0 Motion Carried
2. Finance Director Ms. Angela Jackson
For Mayor and Council to review and approve the Millage Rate at 8.100 for the City of Fairburn.
The motion to approve was made by Councilman Pallend and the second was provided by Councilman Heath. Vote: 6-0 Motion Carried
3. Finance Director Ms. Angela Jackson
For Mayor and Council to review and approve the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 budget for the City of Fairburn. The proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2020 is \$54,182,538 and includes budget amendments totaling \$297,510 for the General Fund, \$29,712 for the Confiscated Asset Fund and \$174,510 for the Technology Fee Fund. The FY2019-2020 proposed General Fund budget represents a 4% increase over FY2019 budget due to additional funding in the Grants Fund, Capital Projects Fund, TSPLOST Fund, Confiscated Asset Fund and the Technology Fee Fund.
The motion to approve was made by Councilman Smallwood and the second was provided by Councilman Heath. Vote: 6-0 Motion Carried

XII. Council Comments:

Councilwoman Portis-Jones stated that she was happy about the light that was installed at Campbellton and Highway 92. Councilwoman Portis-Jones also spoke about her trip to Washington D.C. to speak with Congress about the impact a government shutdown would have on the communities around the nation and lobbied to help avoid a shutdown.

Councilman Pallend had no comment.

Councilman Smallwood thanked the community for attending the Council Meeting.
Mayor Pro Tem Davis proclaimed her admiration for the effort put forth by Mr. Tommy Sheats with spearheading the traffic light installation in the City of Fairburn.

Councilman Heath explained his appreciation to Mr. Tommy Sheats for his persistence with G-DOT who obtained the approval of the traffic light being installed.

Councilman Whitmore offered his condolences to the Sheats family on their loss and informed the audience that early voting starts October 15, 2019.

Mayor Carr-Hurst expressed her gratitude to Mr. Tommy and Ms. Shana Sheats for their hard work and tenacity that ultimately lead to the installation of the traffic light that will be fully operable on Thursday, September 26, 2019.

Executive Session: At 7:57 p.m. a motion to enter executive session for personnel was made by Councilman Whitmore and the second was provided by Councilman Heath.

Vote: 6-0: Motion Carried.

Adjournment: At 8:18 p.m. with no further business of the City of Fairburn the motion to adjourn was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Davis and the second was provided by Councilman Whitmore.


Arika Birdsong-Miller, City Clerk


Elizabeth Carr-Hurst, Mayor