



City of Fairburn
Mayor and Council Meeting Minutes
April 26th, 2021 via Zoom

- I. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Elizabeth Carr-Hurst.
- II. The roll was called by City Clerk Arika Birdsong-Miller with the following members present:

Mayor Elizabeth Carr Hurst	Mayor Pro Tem Alex Heath
Councilwoman Linda J. Davis	Councilwoman Hattie Portis-Jones
Councilman Pat Pallend	Councilman Ulysses J. Smallwood
Councilman James Whitmore	

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

City Attorney: Mr. Randy Turner was in attendance.

- III. The invocation was given by Mayor Pro Tem Alex Heath.

- IV. Adoption of the City County Minutes:

April 12th, 2021 Regular Minutes: The motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Heath and the second was provided by Councilman Smallwood. Motion Carried. Vote: 3-1.

(Councilmembers voting favorably Mayor Pro Tem Heath, Councilmen Smallwood and Whitmore)
(Opposed: Councilwoman Portis-Jones)
(Abstained from voting: Councilwoman Davis and Councilman Pallend)

April 12, 2021 Executive Session Minutes: The motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Heath and the second was provided by Councilman Smallwood. Motion Carried. Vote: 6-0.
(All members voted unanimously)

- V. Adoption of the City Council Agenda: The motion to approve was made by Councilwoman Portis Jones and the second was provided by Mayor Pro Tem Heath.
Motion Carried. Vote: 6-0.
(All members voted unanimously)

- VI. Public Comments: None

- VII. Agenda Items:

1. Tanner, Ballew and Maloof Mr. Steve Maloof

Mr. Maloof presented the 2021-2022 Property and Liability insurance for the City of Fairburn. The 2021-2022 annual premium is \$379,828.00. This is a slight increase from the 2020-2021 premium of \$324,600.00. The amount of the increase is \$55,228.00. Mr. Maloof stated the increase is a result of several new vehicles that the city has added and the addition of several buildings and the city's growth exposure. Travelers again provided the best quote for this year's property and liability coverage. The motion to approve was made by Councilman Whitmore and the second was provided by Councilman Heath.

Motion Carried: Vote: 6-0.
(All members vote unanimously)

2. City Clerk

Mrs. Arika Birdsong-Miller

Mrs. Birdsong-Miller presented the Intergovernmental Agreement with Fulton County for the Provision of Election Services for the City of Fairburn's 2021 Municipal Election. The proposed cost for the election is \$33,279.00. If there is a runoff election the cost will be \$27,658.00. Fulton County will be solely responsible for conducting the municipal election. The motion to approve was made by Councilman Pallend and the second was provided by Councilwoman Davis.

Motion Carried: Vote: 6-0.
(All members voted unanimously)

3. Community Development

Mr. Lester Thompson

Presented an Intergovernmental Agreement with the South Fulton Community Development District for the Oakley Industrial Full-Depth Reclamation Project. The City of Fairburn requested assistance from the South Fulton CID to deliver the proposed Oakley Industrial Full-Depth Reclamation Project. The South Fulton CID is committed to paying \$390,000 of the cost to construct the project and the city is willing to provide the balance of the funding. The location of the project is Oakley Industrial Boulevard from the deceleration lane of the Solstice Apartment Complex to SR 74 and striping on Bohannon Bridge over I-85 and Oakley Industrial Boulevard from SR 92 to Fayetteville Road and from Oakley Industrial Boulevard from just west of Bohannon Road to Creekwood Road. The motion to approve was made by Councilman Whitmore and the second was provided by Councilman Smallwood.

Motion Carried: Vote 6-0.
(All members voted unanimously)

4. Community Development

Mr. Lester Thompson

Presented a contract award to C.W. Matthews for the Oakley Industrial Reclamation Project. The invitation for Bid (IFB #21-001), Oakley Industrial Reclamation Project was advertised on January 6th, 2021. The bid opening date was February 11th, 2021 at which time four (4) bids were opened and read aloud. After completion of the bid evaluation, it was determined that C.W. Matthews was the lowest responsive bidder at \$3,379,857.85. The City of South Fulton initially was supposed to participate in this project. South Fulton chose not to participate this eliminated \$1,490,002.76 from the project. The City of Fairburn recommends the contract of \$1,889,855.09 to C.W. Matthews. The motion to approve was made by Councilwoman Davis and the second was provided by Mayor Pro Tem Heath.

Motion Carried: Vote: 6-0.
(All members voted unanimously)

5. Community Development

Mr. Lester Thompson

Presented Task Order # 6 with Atlas Technical Consultants for Construction Engineering and Inspection Services. The City of Fairburn entered into a Master Services Agreement with Moreland Altobelli Associates, LLC on July 22, 2019 for On-Call Construction Management Services. The firm changed the name to Atlas Technical Consultants, LLC on January 1st, 2020. This task order is for the Howell Avenue Extension Roadway Project (21-001). The task order should not exceed the amount of \$96,500.00. Mr. Thompson informed the Mayor and Council that the funds for this project would be taken from the city's T-SPLOST allotment. The motion to approve was made by Councilman Smallwood and the second was provided by Councilwoman Davis.

Motion Carried: Vote: 6-0.

(All members voted unanimously)

6. Fire Department

Chief Cornelius Robinson

Presented a memorandum of Understanding between the City of Fairburn and Atlanta Technical College to provide EMT-Advanced and Paramedic Training. Chief Robinson stated the training agreement between the City of Fairburn's Fire Department and Atlanta Technical College will allow instructional training through grant funding for both the EMT-Advanced and Paramedic certifications. The trainings will be held at Fairburn's Annex Building. Mayor Carr-Hurst stated Chief Robinson has been diligent in acquiring grants for the Fire Department and she is extremely proud of his efforts. The motion to approve was made by Councilman Whitmore and the second was provided by Councilwoman Davis.

Motion Carried: Vote: 6-0.

(All members voted unanimously)

7. Police Department

Chief Stoney Mathis

Chief Mathis presented an extension to delay the revisiting language update in Court Services/ Municipal Court City Ordinance to July 26, 2021. On August 24th, 2020 the Police Department submitted an agenda item pertaining to the language of the Court Services/ Municipal Court City Ordinance. The item was tabled for 90 days this extension will expire on April 30th, 2021. Chief Mathis is requesting an extension and to present the update at the July 26th, 2021 Mayor and Council Meeting. The motion to approve was made by Mayor Pro Tem Heath and the second was provided by Councilman Whitmore.

Motion Carried: Vote: 6-0.

(All members voted unanimously)

VIII. Council Comments:

Councilman Smallwood had no comments.

Councilman Whitmore gave his well wishes to City Clerk Arika Birdsong-Miller. Mrs. Birdsong-Miller is leaving the City of Fairburn for another opportunity.

Councilwoman Portis-Jones thanked City Clerk Birdsong-Miller for her service and exceptional work. She stated Mrs. Birdsong-Miller is leaving at such a crucial time with the City's Municipal Election this year. She wished her well in her future endeavors. She further

stated she is co-hosting via Zoom with Fulton County Public Works a segment on Septic Tanks. This will be a lunch and learn on May 12th, 2021 the announcement will be posted on Facebook and Next Door.

Councilman Pallend stated to Mrs. Birdsong-Miller in the words of Shakespeare: "Forever, and forever, farewell. If we do meet again, why we shall smile, if not why then this parting was made well". Best Wishes.

Councilwoman Davis thanked Mrs. Birdsong-Miller for her service. She stated Mrs. Birdsong-Miller was a joy to work with, she wishes her the best in her new opportunity.

Mayor Pro Tem Heath wished Mrs. Birdsong-Miller the very best. He thanked her for the great job she has done in Fairburn.

Mayor Carr-Hurst thanked Mrs. Birdsong-Miller for her service to Fairburn. She stated that Duncan Park will reopen (modified) on May 1st at 7:00 AM. She plans to be present when the gates are opened.

IX. Executive Session

City Attorney, Mr. Randy Turner stated the Mayor and Council needed to enter into Executive Session for a personnel/litigation matter. At 7:52 PM, the motion to enter into Executive Session was made by Councilwoman Davis and the second was provided by Councilman Whitmore.

Motion Carried. Vote: 6-0.
(All members voted unanimously)

At 8:25 PM the motion to exit and re-enter into Open Session was made by Mayor Pro Tem Heath and the second was provided by Councilman Whitmore. Motion Carried. Vote: 6-0.
(All members voted unanimously)

- X. Adjournment: The motion to adjourn at 8:40 PM was made by Mayor Pro Tem Heath and the second was provided by Councilman Whitmore. Motion Carried: Vote: 6-0.
(All members voted unanimously)


Shana Moss, Interim City Clerk


Elizabeth Carr-Hurst, Mayor