

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF AUSTELL
CITY HALL BUILDING
MONDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2020**

Present:

Mayor Ollie Clemons
Valerie Anderson
Melanie Elder
Devon Myrick
Sandra Leverette
Randy Green
Marlin Lamar

Also, present: Scott Kimbrough, City Attorney; Denise Lowe, Finance Director; Bo Garrison, Public Works Director; Brandon Merritt, Fire Chief; Bob Starrett, Police Chief; Jim Graham, Community Affairs Director; and Elizabeth Young, City Clerk

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Clemons called the meeting to order, gave the invocation & led the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Clemons asked if anyone needed to add items to the agenda. Mrs. Anderson stated she needs to add items 7B, 2019-20 Budget Revisions & 7C, 2020-21 Budget Revisions. Mr. Lamar stated he needs to add item 10B, Storage Room Addition.

Mrs. Leverette moved to follow the recommendation of Mayor Clemons to add items 7B & 7C to the agenda. Seconded by Mr. Myrick. Motion passed. (6-0)

Mr. Lamar moved to follow the recommendation of Mayor Clemons to add item 10B to the agenda. Seconded by Mrs. Anderson. Motion passed. (6-0)

Mayor Clemons called Mr. Jim Graham up to congratulate him on 26 years of service & his retirement.

2. CONSENT AGENDA – INFORMATION AND UPDATE

(No Action Required by Council – See Specific Department Director before a Meeting.)

3. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approve Bills
- B. Approve Legal Bills - \$3,065.00
- C. Approve Minutes of Regular Council Meeting November 2, 2020

Budget amendments represent reallocating money from the Gym budget to the Fire Department budget to replace roof on fire station 1.

Account Number	Current	Proposed	Change
100-3510-52-2200	Repair & Maint	\$16,000	\$36,000 \$20,000
100-6195-53-1600	Small Equipment	\$ 9,000	\$5,000 (\$4,000) *
100-6195-52-2130	Custodial	\$ 3,000	\$ 0 (\$3,000) *
100-6195-51-1100	Salaries & Wages	\$31,000	\$18,000 (\$13,000) *

*represents decrease

It is the recommendation of the Finance Committee to approve the attached budget revisions for the 2020-21 Fiscal Year.

Mrs. Anderson moved to follow the recommendation of Mayor Clemons to approve the 2020-21 Budget Revisions. Seconded by Mrs. Leverette. Motion passed. (6-0)

8. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION
MELANIE ELDER, CHAIRPERSON
Elizabeth Young, Director

- A. 2021 Calendar & Directory
 Please review the 2021 Calendar & Directory. If there are any updates, please contact Elizabeth Young, City Clerk.

Ms. Elder moved to follow the recommendation of Mayor Clemons to approve the 2021 Calendar & Directory. Seconded by Mrs. Leverette. Motion passed. (6-0)

- B. 2021 Insurance Renewal
 After Mayor Clemons met with Hub International (Heritage Corp.) & discussed all options, he decided to stay with Aetna Health Insurance. The rates have increased a significant amount due to our claims experience. The city will absorb a huge amount of the increase, but the employees will have to absorb some of the increase as well. Below are the new weekly rates as of January 1, 2020:

Base Plan:	Buy-Up Plan:
Employee \$20.00	Employee \$25.00
Employee + Spouse \$155.08	Employee + Spouse \$176.95
Employee + Child(ren) \$154.06	Employee + Child(ren) \$175.35
Family \$205.19	Family \$225.14

It is the recommendation of Mayor & Council to approve the Health Insurance Rate Increase.

Ms. Elder moved to follow the recommendation of Mayor Clemons to approve the Health Insurance Rate Increase. Seconded by Mr. Myrick. Motion passed. (6-0)

Bo Garrison, Director

A. No Report

**12. PARKS DEPARTMENT
DEVON MYRICK, CHAIRPERSON
Jim Graham, Director**

A. No Report

**13. COMMUNITY AFFAIRS
VALERIE ANDERSON, CHAIRPERSON
Jim Graham, Director**

A. Code Enforcement Report

14. ATTORNEY, DUPREE & KIMBROUGH

A. No Report

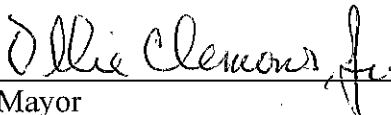
15. MAYOR'S REPORT

A. CMA Meeting-December 8, 2020 @ 6:30pm
Hosted by the City of Powder Springs
George E. Ford Center
4181 Atlanta St.
Powder Springs, Ga 30127


Mayor Clemons stated the 2021 appointments for council members will remain the same for the committee they are currently serving on.

16. ADJOURN

Mr. Myrick moved to follow the recommendation of Mayor Clemons to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mr. Green. Motion passed. (6-0)



Mayor



Attest

1-11-2021

Date