

CITY OF HAHIRA
JANUARY 5, 2023
COUNCIL MEETING
6:00 P.M.
COURTHOUSE

The Mayor and Council met for a Council Meeting at the Hahira Courthouse with Mayor Bruce Cain presiding.

PRESENT: Mayor Bruce Cain, Councils: Tony Rosatti, Mason Barfield, Louise White and Mayor Pro Tem Kenneth Davis. City Manager Jonathan Sumner, City Clerk Lisa Mashburn, Police Chief Terry Davis, Fire Chief Dwight Bennett, Asst Fire Chief David Thompson, PWD Willie Jones and MSD Jennifer Price.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Bruce Cain

ESTABLISH QUORUM: Mayor Bruce Cain

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Bruce Cain

INVOCATION: City Manager Jonathan Sumner

RECOGNITION OF SERVICE (MAYOR CAIN, CITY MANAGER, DEPARTMENT HEADS)

- A. MR. ADAM NORRIS, STREETS AND WATER/SEWER, 5 YEARS
- B. MR. TODD PITCHFORD, POLICE LIEUTENANT, 5 YEARS
- C. MRS. CAROL ROYAL, FINANCE DIRECTOR, 5 YEARS

Mayor Cain, Police Chief Davis, PWD Jones and City Manager Sumner presented the service awards to the employees.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION:

OFFICERS DYLAN LEWIS AND DAWSON ZEIGLER (MAYOR CAIN, CHIEF DAVIS)

Mayor Cain, Police Chief Davis and City Manager Sumner presented Officer Lewis and Officer Zeigler with Special Recognition Certificates for going over and beyond the call of duty for their swift actions on Christmas evening putting out a fire in a home and saving the family and house. They thanked them for a job well done.

COUNCIL ELECTION-MAYOR PRO TEM

Councilman Barfield made a motion to nominate Tony Rosatti as Mayor Pro Tem which was seconded by Councilperson White. Councilman Barfield, Councilman Davis and Councilperson White all voted in favor of the motion.

COUNCIL ASSIGNMENTS-

The Mayor assigned departments for the 2023 year to Council.

Mayor Pro Tem Rosatti-Parks and Rec department, Main Street and Street department.

Councilmember White-Fire department and Planning

Councilman Barfield-Police department

Councilman Davis- Water/Sewer department and Sanitation department

REVIEW/CORRECTION OF MEETING MINUTES:

A. NOVEMBER 29, 2022-WORK SESSION

B. DECEMBER 1, 2022-COUNCIL MEETING

The Mayor asked if anyone had any corrections or questions regarding the minutes. None noted. **Councilman Davis made a motion to approve the minutes as presented which was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Rosatti. Councilman Barfield, Councilman Davis, Councilmember White and Mayor Pro Tem Rosatti all voted in favor of the motion.**

PUBLIC HEARING:

FY 22 BUDGET AMENDMENT-REVISED

City Manager Sumner stated we have one revision to the DDA FY2022 budget. A fascade grant was paid out and made the budget \$500 over. It was advertised last week and copies are available at City Hall for review.

The Mayor asked if anyone wished to speak in favor? None noted.

The Mayor asked if anyone wished to speak against? None noted.

The Mayor asked if anyone had any questions. None noted.

Councilmember Barfield made a motion to approve the FY 22 Budget amendment as presented which was seconded by Councilmember White. Councilmember White, Councilman Barfield, Councilman Davis and Mayor Pro Tem Rosatti all voted in favor of the motion.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD: None noted.

REVIEW OF BILLS/GUDGET OVERAGES:

Mayor Cain asked if anyone had any questions or concerns regarding the bills. None noted. **Councilman Davis made a motion to approve the bills as presented which was seconded by Councilman Barfield. Councilman Barfield, Councilman Davis, Councilmember White and Mayor Pro Tem Rosatti all voted in favor of the motion.**

DISCUSSIONS:

**A. BROOKRIDGE DRIVE SEWER FORCEMAIN RELOCATION BID
AUTHORIZATION-SPLOST VIII**

City Manager Sumner stated this road is on the County paving list and part of the road was annexed into the City. We have a forcemain on the East side of the dirt road that must be relocated, it is the City's responsibility. The Engineer was working to help get us an estimate in January and February to have it done before paving begins. We have a quote from Little River Contractors in the amount of \$95,000. This item would be paid out of SPLOST VIII. **Councilman Davis made a motion to approve \$95,000 bid from Little River Contractors with piping size change which was seconded by Councilmember White. Councilmember White, Councilman Barfield, Councilman Davis and Mayor Pro Tem Rosatti all voted in favor of the motion.**

CONSENT AGENDA:

A. FATHER-DAUGHTER DANCE

B. HAHIRA PICK-IN

**C. WOODBRIDGE DRAINAGE PROJECT BID AUTHORIZATION-ARPA,
SPLOST VIII**

**D. EAST PARK AVENUE, BLAKELY STREET RESURFACING BID
AUTHORIZATION-LMIG, SPLOST VIII**

A motion was made by Councilman Barfield to approve the Consent agenda as presented which was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Rosatti. Councilman Barfield, Councilman Davis, Councilmember White and Mayor Pro Tem Rosatti all voted in favor of the motion.

REPORTS:

Mayor Pro Tem Rosatti thanked everyone for coming and said that he really appreciated everyone for what they do. Thank you to Public

works department, Main Street, and the admin staff. I have said there is no other community like this one, I love the dedication you all have to the City. You make my job easy and I thank you for that.

Councilman Barfield said ditto to all that has been said. I thank you for the hard work you do daily. I happy to be an ear for the Police department. I am looking forward to the New Year. Everyone has been dealing with a lot but we need to take care of our own. Go and be behind the State and local people give them support. Thanks to you all.

Councilmember White said she wanted to discuss the types of banners we have for the City after the meeting. I am proud of you all and I love everybody.

Councilmember Davis said I have been here for 10 years and I am glad to be here. Everyone in here makes it easy because you do your job. The Public works department is tireless, Main Street has a lot of events for everyone and the staff keeps Hahira rolling. You all make my job easy and I thank you. Congratulations to Mayor Pro Tem Rosatti on appointment to Mayor Pro Tem.

City Manager Sumner thanked everyone for the opportunity to serve. Thank you to the department heads. Thank you to all for your support and I think Hahira will do great things in 2023 with your help and support. I think we will have the best year yet.

Mayor Cain said I appreciate each and everyone of you, the employees are like family. I could not ask for a better group of people. I appreciate the Council and the work they do. Thank you all.

Mayor Pro Tem Barfield made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Councilmember White. Councilmember White,

Councilman Barfield, Councilman Davis and Mayor Pro Tem Rosatti all voted in favor of the motion.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

MAYOR BRUCE CAIN

CITY CLERK LISA MASHBURN