



City of Varnell Council Meeting Minutes November 17,2020

Members Present: Mayor, Tom Dickson
Council Members: Bill Caylor, Mayor Pro Tem
Richard Lowe, Clyde Williams
Sandy Pangle

City Administrator: Mike Brown
City Clerk: Jamie Nance

Executive Duties

The City Council meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm and a quorum was confirmed by Mayor Dickson. The invocation was given by Chris Branscomb with Varnell United Methodist Church. Councilman Williams led the pledge of allegiance.

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Caylor to approve the agenda and add resolution 11-20, highly recommending the use of masks or face coverings in public during the COVID-19 outbreak. Financial reports for October 2020 and minutes for the October 20, 2020 meeting. The motion was seconded Councilman Pangle and was carried unanimously.

New Business

Resolution 11-20 was discussed, a motion to pass the resolution was made by Councilman Pangle and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Caylor. The resolution was passed 3 to 1 with Councilman Williams opposing the resolution.

Emily Boyd with Brown, Draper & Land Financial Concept presented IRA plans to the Mayor and Council. The plans presented will be reviewed and discussed at the December Council Meeting.

Public Safety Committee report was presented by Councilman Williams (see attached). No other reports were submitted.

The Mayor and Council discussed the purchase of two new patrol cars. Due to the of shortage of vehicles it was decided they could be purchased out of the general fund and reimbursed by the SPLOST funds when they are received. The motion to approve the purchase was made by Councilman Williams, seconded Mayor Pro Tem Caylor and carried unanimously.

Discussion was had about budget amendments and possibly increasing sewage fees for the Nob North Villas. Councilman Richard Lowe made the motion to approve the following budget amendments, Sewage Professional Services adding \$7,200.00 and Sewage Capital Outlay adding \$4,000.00. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Caylor and carried unanimously.

The Mayor and Council approved the following alcohol license for 2021. Butcher's Market, LLC for Beer and Wine License and Brew Pub License. Circle K Stores, Inc & Smoke Shop & Beverage for Beer and Wine License. The motion to approve all three businesses was made by Councilman Williams, seconded by Councilman Lowe and carried unanimously.

The second and final reading of the 2021 budget was read by Mayor Dickson. A motion was made to approve the final reading of the 2021 budget adding \$2,000 to the VP wages account, by Mayor Pro Tem Caylor and second by Councilman Lowe, motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Dickson opened the floor for public comments. No comments were made.

There being no further business a motion was made by Councilman Williams to adjourn with Councilman Pangle seconding the motion and carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted by
Jamie Nance
City Clerk