

# City of Varnell Council Meeting Minutes November 14, 2023

Members Present: Mayor Tom Dickson, Bill Caylor Mayor Pro Tem,

Sarah Harrison, Bob Roche, Sandy Pangle,

Absent: Richard Lowe

City Administrator: Mike Brown City Clerk: Kai Clayton

#### **Executive Duties**

The Mayor and Council meeting was called to order at 6:00pm and a quorum was confirmed by Mayor Dickson. The invocation was given by Rev. Keith James, of Prospect Baptist Church, and the pledge was led by Councilman Bill Caylor.

### **Consent Agenda**

A motion was made for the approval of the agenda, of the minutes from the October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023. The motion was made by Councilwoman Harrison, seconded by Councilman Pangle, and carried with a 4.0 vote.

## **New Business**

Councilman Pangle presented the Public Safety updates for the month of October 2023.

Mike Brown updated the council concerning the 2024,4 years SPLOST account up for a vote and the amount of funds possibly available to the City.

Discussion on the resolution for the UZO on commercial poultry and swine farming. The Planning commission will be voting on the resolution on November 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023, and this will be followed up in the City's next council meeting in December.

Discussion was had on premium pay for full, and part time employees. Councilman Caylor stated that premium pay could be paid out of the City's general funds account, or the ARP account. No motion was made at this time.

The park development was discussed, and Councilwoman Harrison, and Councilman Pangle volunteered to oversee the park development project. Further discussions will be held in the future.

The final budget reading for the 2024 budget was approved. A motion was made to approve the final reading of the budget for 2024 by Councilman Pangle and seconded by Councilman Caylor. This vote was unanimous with a 4-0 vote.

A budget amendment for the ARP account was discussed with Councilman Roche concerned about the auditors, and corrections being entered by the same accounting firm. A motion from Councilwoman

Harrison and seconded by Councilman Pangle to approve the amount of \$130,505.00 with with a unanimous vote of 4-0.

### **Public Comment**

A citizen of the community commented on the poultry and swine industry in the city and stated her opposition to it.

# **Adjournment**

There being no further business, a motion for adjournment was made by Councilwoman Harrison, and seconded by Councilman Pangle, and carried unanimously with a 4-0 vote. The meeting was adjourned at 7:04pm.

Respectfully submitted by Kai Clayton City Clerk