

City of Varnell Council Meeting Minutes August 20, 2024

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

Howard Kash, Sandy Pangle, Sarah Harrison

Absent: Bob Roche

City Administrator: Mike Brown City Clerk: Kai Clayton

Executive Duties

The Mayor and Council meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm and a quorum was confirmed by Mayor Dickson. The invocation was given by Rev. Kelly Riding, and the pledge was led by Mayor Dickson.

Consent Agenda

A motion was made for the approval of the agenda, the minutes from the July 16, 2024, meeting, and the financial reports for July 2024. The motion was made by Councilwoman Harrison, seconded by Councilman Pangle, and carried unanimously with a 4-0 vote.

New Business

Councilman Pangle presented the Public Safety updates for the month of July 2024.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Harrison to reappoint Councilman Bob Roche to the Dalton-Whitfield Library Board of Trustees. The motion was seconded by Councilman Kash and was approved unanimously with a 4-0 vote.

Police Chief Moreno presented the Council with options for the purchase of body cams and dash cams for the Police Department. Councilwoman Harrison motioned to contract with Axon for their services. The motion was seconded by Councilman Caylor and passed with a unanimous vote of 4-0.

Councilman Pangle made a motion to amend the budget for SPLOST account in the amount of \$95,781.80 for 2 police vehicles and for SUV to be outfitting. Councilwoman Harrison seconded the motion, which passed by a 4-0 vote.

Councilman Caylor made a motion to amend the budget for the TAD #1 account in the amount of \$1719.52 for auditing fees. Councilwoman Harrison seconded the motion, which passed by a 4-0 vote.

The Council reviewed the proposed ordinance regarding temporary residence in an RV or travel trailer. Councilwoman Harrison made a motion to approve the ordinance, which was seconded by Councilman Pangle. The motion passed with a 4-0 unanimous vote.

The Council discussed bids received for the construction of the Clyde Williams Pavilion. Bids were submitted from Integrated Builds, Momon Construction, Leonard Brother Construction, and Felker Construction. Councilman Pangle made a motion to award the contract to Momon Construction. Councilwoman Harrison seconded the motion, which passed 3-1, with Councilman Caylor opposed.

Councilwoman Harrison made a motion to annex Parcel #11-192-14-012 on Golf View Drive. Councilman Caylor seconded the motion, which was passed with a 4-0 vote.

Public Comment

Paul Lafortune commented that he wished the Council had more time to review the construction bids for the pavilion, and would have liked all Council members to have been present to vote.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Councilman Pangle made a motion for adjournment that was seconded by Councilwoman Harrison; the motion carried unanimously with a 4-0 vote and the meeting was adjourned at 7:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Kai Clayton City Clerk