

**Fairmount City Council  
Public Hearing & Council Meeting  
September 7, 2021  
6:00 p.m.**

**Council Meeting Called to Order**

**Welcome** – Mayor Brannon welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**Prayer** – Prayer was given by Donna Bell.

**Pledge of Allegiance** – The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Holsomback.

**Official Roll Call**

**Steve Brannon** – Mayor - Present

**Steve Fain** – Post 1 - Present

**Junior Holsomback** – Post 2 - Present

**Jerry Mauldin** – Post 3 - Present

**Billy Mauldin** – Post 4 - Present

**Petrina Pritchett** – City Clerk – Present

**Herman Clark** – City Attorney – Absent

**Approval of Minutes**

Councilman Jerry Mauldin made a motion to approved August council meeting minutes. Motion seconded by Councilman Fain. All in favor.

**Announcements & Updates**

- Only incumbents qualified for the 2 council positions so no election will be held. Swearing in will be held January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at the first meeting of the new year.
- The City has received the draft permit for our water pollution control plant. A copy is available at city hall for review and comment by the public. At the end of the 30-day period a new permit will be issued. All changes and procedures added by EPD must be adhered to by the city.
- Both electric sewer pump has failed leaving us with a diesel standby pump. An emergency valve was installed only 2 days prior to the pump failure. The standby pump failed one time since.

**New Business**

- **Review 2022 budget. Modify or accept as is.**  
Councilman Fain made a motion to accept the 1<sup>st</sup> reading of the budget. Motion seconded by Councilman Junior Holsomback. All in favor.
- **Review Millage rate. Set rate for 2022.**  
Councilman Fain made a motion to keep/set the millage rate at 5.747. Motion seconded by Councilman Billy Mauldin. All in favor.
- **Review account balances, questions or concerns?**  
Council reviewed the account balances. No motion was made.

- **Pickens County increased rate (0.12 per thousand gallons) for our water purchase.**  
Due to increase by Pickens County and increase maintenance cost the council decided to increase water rates.  
Councilman Jerry Mauldin made a motion to increase the water rate to .20 cents per thousand gallons. Motion seconded by Councilman Fain. All in favor.
- **First payment made to contractor for sewer renovation project.**  
Copy enclosed in packet. No motion was made.

**Citizen Comments**

**Adjourn**

Councilman Jerry Mauldin made a motion to adjourn the council meeting. Motion seconded by Councilman Fain. All in favor.

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Steve Brannon, Mayor

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Petrina Pritchett, City Clerk

Date: \_\_\_\_\_