

**Fairmount City Council
Council Meeting
September 6, 2022
5:30 p.m. Work Session
6:00 p.m. Meeting**

Work Session called to order by Mayor Brannon at 5:30 p.m. to review the City's comprehensive plan. Julianne Meadows, our representative from the Northwest Ga Regional Commission, joined us for the work session. The Northwest Ga Regional Commission is a no charge service for project planning. Julianne aided in reviewing/updating the City's current plan.

Council Meeting Called to Order

Welcome – Mayor Brannon welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Prayer – Prayer was given by Kiti Scott.

Pledge of Allegiance – The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Billy Mauldin.

Official Roll Call

Steve Brannon – Mayor - Present

Steve Fain – Post 1 - Present

Junior Holsomback – Post 2 - Present

Jerry Mauldin (Mayor Pro-Tem) – Post 3 - Present

Billy Mauldin – Post 4 - Present

Haley Black – City Clerk – Present

Herman Clark – City Attorney – Absent

Members of the Community - 12

Approval of Minutes

Councilman Jerry Mauldin made a motion to approve the August council meeting minutes. Motion seconded by Councilman Billy Mauldin. All in favor.

Announcements & Updates

- Status on pump station #1 & 2 completion or operation
- School started with trained School Resource Officer present, Mr. Greg Bray.
- Donation was made to Fairmount PD for Narcan (Opioid Overdose medicine). Chief Payne accepted
- Introduce new director of GEFA.
- Water Bill collection 100% in August.

New Business

1. **Name Safety Coordinator to oversee city wide loss control activities.** - On July 25, 2022, a representative from LGRMS Risk Control agency visited Fairmount for an evaluation. Following their visit, they recommended that the city appoint a safety coordinator. It was suggested that the city appoint Matthew Stamey as their safety coordinator due to his experience with the city. All were in agreement.
2. **Review, modify or accept new Community Center rental agreement & fees.** - Motion was made by councilman Jerry Mauldin to accept the updated terms and fees for the rental

of the Community Center. The motion was seconded by Steve Fain, all in favor, motion passed.

3. **E-mail review from County to Mayor regarding LOST distribution.** - Upon receipt of an email from our county administrator, it was made known that the negotiation for LOST funds had been completed, EVEN THOUGH the City of Fairmount did NOT sign the agreement. Attempts to renegotiate percentage amount from the City of Fairmount went unheard.
4. **Ground water monitoring plan required for EPD. Review and discuss.** - EPD was sent a proposed ground watering plan for the city. The EPD cannot approve until a potentiometric surface map that confirms flow is created.
5. **2023 LMIG grant application. Description of project needed from council.** - Motion made by councilman Steve Fain to use LMIG grant to repair Peachtree St between Calhoun and Spring St. Motion Second by Jerry Mauldin, all in favor. No further action can be taken until the auditor completes required reports.
6. **Grant opportunity for transportation alternatives. E.g. bike trails, recreation trails.** - Council discussed using the grant opportunity to create walking and riding trails, benches with covers, or possibly sidewalks to the school. The city could utilize the property located beside the park. All were in favor.
7. **Audit requirements still not met. LMIG still not applied for. Need council input.** - Haley will contact auditors to check the status of 2020s report and 2021s ETA for filing. As of Aug 26th, both years were still not in compliance based on the Dept of Community Affairs website. Jr Holsomback suggested we may need to find a new auditor.
8. **If time permits, Executive session for personnel discussion.** -Motion made by Steve Fain to enter executive session, seconded by Jerry Mauldin, unanimous decision puts council into executive session. Executive session ended 6:55 pm. No action taken.

Citizen Comments or Concerns

1. Jim Boid with First United Methodist Church invited everyone to join their 9/11 memorial service.
2. Kiti Scott reminded everyone that the community supper would start again Tuesday Sept 20th. She also asked again about repairing a hole in the street. Mayor disclosed that was a City of Calhoun valve cover, and he would check on it.

Adjourn

Councilman Billy Mauldin made a motion to adjourn, motion seconded by Steve Fain. All in favor. Meeting Adjourned.

Steve Brannon, Mayor

Haley Black, City Clerk

Date: _____