

Mayor
Eartha T. Cummings

City Attorney
Michael Howard

City Clerk
Stacie Jordan



Council Members
Brainard Crawford-Mayor Pro-Tem
Booker T. Coleman
Keith Lindsey
David Hartley

COUNCIL MEETING

Via Teleconference:
Dial-in number:(978) 990-5333
Access code: 4822686#
August 3, 2020
6:00 p.m.
MINUTES

A regular meeting of the Tennille City Council was held on August 3, 2020 via teleconference with Mayor Eartha Cummings presiding. Council members present were Brainard Crawford, David Hartley, Booker T. Coleman and Keith Lindsey.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Cummings. Mayor Cummings led the pledge of allegiance to the flag and Mayor ProTem Crawford led the invocation.

Visitors-Tim Ingram, Ingram and Associates

Mr. Ingram states that he presented two proposals for repairs at the WWTP. He states that the smoke testing was done and found some issues. Mr. Ingram states that he recommends that we allow L&L Utilites to perform the repair on the sewer line for \$13,650. **Motion made by David Hartley, seconded by Brainard Crawford, to allow L&L Utilities to do the repair. Motion Carried.**

Mr. Ingram states that the other repairs including the decanter and aerator installations. Mr. Ingram states that he received one proposal from Allsouth Contractors for \$27,907.00. He states that he would like to continue look for a better price up to \$27,907.00. **Motion made by David Hartley, seconded by Brainard Crawford, to allow Tim Ingram to find the best price for the installations up to the proposed \$27,907.00. Motion Carried.** He states that him, Mayor Cummings and Mr. Damon Harper went to a meeting at EPD last week. He states that the city will submit a plan of action to address the concerns by Tuesday.

Approval of Minutes

Motion made by Keith Lindsey, seconded by, David Hartley to accept the minutes from the July 6, 2020, July 20, 2020, July 22, 2020, and July 28, 2020 meetings. Motion Carried.

Attorney- Michael Howard-

Mr. Howard states that he has a Cares Act resolution for the funding that the city will receive from the state. **Motion made by Keith Lindsey, seconded by Brainard Crawford, for Mayor Cummings to sign the resolution to accept the Cares Act funding. Motion Carried.**

Mr. Howard states that he sent a proposed ordinance for Sunday sales of beer and wine for convenience stores. **Motion made by David Hartley, seconded by Keith Lindsey, to run the ordinance in the paper to for four weeks to allow the Sunday sale of beer and wine in convenience stores. Motion Carried.**

He states that he will send out some sample Sidewalk ordinances for the Planning and Zoning for discussion on August 10, 2020. Mr. Howard states the city is doing the landscaping for the Tennille Clubhouse and the city cannot do any work on private property. He states that he thinks that it is best that the city sends out a letter to the owners before there are any complaints. Mr. Howard states that he thinks that a meeting should be held to find out the specific agreement between the city and the Zeta Cemetery. Councilman Lindsey states that it is a trust fund and that a meeting should be held for clarification.

Departmental Reports- Mayor Cummings states that the Administration report for July is included in the packets. The city clerk Stacie Jordan reported that the Accounts payable for the Water fund \$51,143.31 and General fund \$48,804.13. She states that the cash accounts balances are General fund \$232,930.33 and Water fund \$44,549.03. She states that the water fund is down because on June 30 the money due from general fund for garbage fees, E-911, and street lighting was transferred. Ms. Jordan states that we have received the 1st funding from the Cares Act in the amount of \$33,340.24 on July 31, 2020. Mr. Mike Wiggins states that for the Building Inspector report that we have two special exceptions that will be discussed at the Planning and Zoning meeting on August 10. He states that we will have two new board members sworn in. He states that he will also bring a mobile home violation to the board to be discussed.

Old Business

Mayor Cummings states that this is the second reading of the 2020/2021 proposed budget. Mayor Cummings states that she would like the city to start using a Time Clock. She states that the price for the software and integration would be around \$2,000.00. **Motion made by David Hartley, seconded by Brainard Crawford, to purchase the time clock software and equipment for city hall and public works. Motion Carried.**

Mayor Cummings states that she would like to recommend Taylor Hartley and Rose Chrisley to the Planning and Zoning Committee. **Motion made by Keith Lindsey, seconded by Brainard Crawford, to appoint Taylor Hartley and Rose Chrisley to serve on the Planning and Zoning Committee.**

Mayor and Council Comments

Mayor Cummings asked if council have any reports from the committees. Mayor Pro Tem Crawford states he does not have anything to discuss. Councilman Coleman states that he does not have anything to discuss. Councilman Hartley states that he does not have anything to discuss. Councilman Lindsey states that he does not have anything to discuss. Mayor Cummings states that on August 9 -15 is National Healthcare center week. **Motion made by Brainard Crawford, seconded by David Hartley, to allow Mayor Cummings to sign proclamation for National Healthcare Center week. Motion Carried.**

Mayor Cummings states that we held qualifying for the special election for November 3. She states that we had four people to qualify. Rhonda Lemons and Sidney Swan for District 2 Post 1 and Bobby Weston Williford and Deborah Rhodes for District 3 Post 1. **Motion made by Keith Lindsey, seconded by Brainard Crawford, to adjourn. Motion carried.** Meeting adjourned at 6:39 p.m.

ATTEST:


City Clerk

APPROVED BY COUNCIL:


Mayor