



MINUTES

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

March 8, 2022, 6:30 PM

REGULAR MEETING: Royston City Hall Council Room:

Call to Order: The March 8, 2022, Regular Meeting was called to order by Mayor Keith Turman at 6:30 PM.

Attendance: Mayor Keith Turman, Mayor Pro-Tem Lee Strickland, Jason Phillips, David Pressley, Kenneth Roach, Wayne Braswell, Matt Fields, City Attorney Andrea Grant, Interim City Manager Gary Fesperman, and City Clerk Sharleen Ayers

NOTE: PLEASE EITHER TURN-OFF CELL PHONES OR PLACE THEM ON SILENT

Invocation and Pledge:

Approval of All Outstanding Minutes: Jason Phillips made a motion to approve the February 15, 2022, Regular Meeting Minutes. Motion was seconded by Wayne Braswell; motion passed 6-0.

Additions or Deletions to Agenda:

Approval of Agenda: Motion was made by Kenneth Roach to approve the agenda. Motion was seconded by Matt Fields; motion passed 6-0.

Main Street Update — Michael Crump: Kelley Tamplin wanted to thank everyone that attended the ribbon cutting. Love Him, Love Them Ministry, that opened an office in the Jo Adams Building, needs to reschedule their ribbon cutting. Upcoming Events: Egg Hunt is scheduled for April 16, 2022, at 10:30am at VFW. Third Thursday Artisan Walk downtown during Spring and Summer until time change in the Fall. March 23 Michael will be attending a funding workshop in Blairsville that will involve the Appalachian Region Commission, the Department of Community Affairs, the GA Mountain Regional Commission, and NW GA Regional Commission.

New Business:

A. Tree City/Arbor Day Event: Tree City March 23, 2022, at 10am at the Wellness Park.

B. Fire Department Extrication Equipment Request: Fire Department Committee: Jason Phillips presented three quotes for Extrication Tools. Municipal Emergency Services, Fireline Incorporated, and TS Rescue. Fire Dept and Committee recommendation to go with Municipal Emergency \$34,920 for the battery-operated Hurst tools to conform with the rest of the county. Jason Phillips made the motion to Purchase the Extrication tools from Municipal Emergency Services and amend the budget for the Fire Department Checking account to use prior year funds to purchase the tools. David Pressley seconded the motion. Mayor Turman asked if it would replace the hydraulics that we currently have. Jason said it would replace the pump, the hose reels, and the 100 Ft hoses. The Fire Department is going to transfer the older tools to the service truck as a backup. Mayor Turman asked if they would be a little lighter to carry. Jason Phillips said a lot lighter, a lot easier, and won't be restricted to 100 FT. Motion passed 6-0.

Unfinished Business:

- A. 676 Church Street property: Zoning: Wayne Braswell made motion to table to April meeting. Motion was seconded by Matt Fields; motion passed 6-0.
- B. Employee Handbook Update: not complete: table again until April: attorney review not complete.
- C. Retirement Cost Study: still waiting on results- table until April.

Executive Session: Personnel: Motion was made by Lee Strickland to go into executive session at 6:42pm. Motion was seconded by Matt Fields; motion passed 6-0. Motion was made by Jason Phillips to close Executive Session at 6:55pm. Motion was seconded by Matt Fields; motion passed 6-0.

Adjourn: Lee Strickland made a motion to adjourn; Matt Fields seconded the motion; motion carried 6-0. Meeting adjourned at 6:56 PM.

Sharleen Ayers, City Clerk

Mayor Keith Turman

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