



**Cleveland City Council  
Called Meeting Minutes**  
Monday, June 19, 2022 - 6:30 P.M.  
Cleveland Community Center/Police Department  
342 Campbell Street, Cleveland, GA

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**1. Call to Order**

Mayor Turner called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**PRESENT:**

Mayor Josh Turner (via Microsoft Teams), Council Members Nan Bowen, Rebecca Yardley (Mayor Pro Tem), Jeremy McClure, and C.J. McDonald

Also present were City Administrator Kevin Harris, and City Attorney Keith Whitaker

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

**3. Approve Agenda**

Motion by Council Member McClure, seconded by Council Member Bowen, and voted, unanimously, to approve the agenda with an amendment to remove the Executive Session from the Agenda.

**2023/2024 BUDGET HEARING – 2<sup>nd</sup> –Consideration and Potential Adoption**

**4. FY2023/2024 Presentation and Discussion**

Mr. Harris presented the FY2023/2024 proposed budget. He highlighted the following details:

- ▶ Provides a 3.5% COLA (cost of living adjustment) for all full-time employees effective July 2023
- ▶ Public Safety (Fire and Police) is the largest component of the General Fund Budget at 55.3% of the total
- ▶ Adds one (1) additional full-time fire fighter
- ▶ Increases hourly rate for part-time fire fighters to \$15.00

5. Public Comment

There were no comments from the public.

Mayor Turner Closed the public hearing.

6. Resolution 2023-16 to Adopt 2023/2024 Fiscal Budget

Motion by Council Member Yardley, seconded by Council Member McClure, and voted, unanimously, to approve the FY 2023/2024 budget as presented.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

7. Resolution 2023-15 Leak Protection Program Proposal (1<sup>st</sup> Public Hearing held on April 10, 2023 and 2<sup>nd</sup> Public Hearing held on May 8, 2023) *NOTE: Postponed at the June 12, 2023 Meeting until the June 19, 2023 Meeting*

Mayor Turner stated that the two Public Hearing have taken place and all prior concerns have been addressed.

Motion by Council Member Bowen, seconded by Council Member McClure, and voted, unanimously, to approve the Leak Protection Program to go into effect with the August 2023 billing cycle.

8. Resolution 2023-157 Amendment to Board Appointments

- Housing Authority appointment of Linda Dixon

Motion by Council Member McDonald, seconded by Council Member Yardley, and voted, unanimously, to approve the appointment of Linda Dixon to the North East Georgia Housing Authority.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

9. Discussion regarding Real Estate, Personnel, and Pending Litigation

Executive Session was removed during the approval of the agenda.

**ADJOURN**

Motion by Council Member McDonald, seconded by Council Member Bowen, and voted, unanimously, to adjourn the meeting at 6:47 p.m.

  
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Josh Turner Mayor

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Jeremy McClure

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Council Member  
Ward 3

*Nan Bowen*

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Council Member  
Ward 1

*C.J. McDonald*

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Council Member  
Ward 4

*Rebecca S. Yardley*

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Council Member  
Ward 2  
Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:

*Lisa A. Ritchie*

City Clerk