



**Cleveland City Council
Meeting Minutes
Monday, June 5, 2023 - 6:30 P.M.
Cleveland Community Center/Police Department
342 Campbell Street, Cleveland, GA**

1. Call to Order

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

PRESENT:

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

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

- 2. Invocation – Jeff Groves, The Bridge Church, and White County Ministerial Alliance**
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance**
- 4. Approve Agenda**

Motion by Council Member McClure, seconded by Council Member McDonald, and voted, unanimously, to approve the agenda.

PUBLIC HEARING

- 5. Second Public Hearing – 2023-11 – Amendment to the Personnel Policy**
 - Utilization of Technologies Policy
 - Wireless Mobile Device Agreement

Mr. Harris gave a brief overview of the Utilization of Technologies Policy and the Wireless Mobile Device Agreement.

There were no comments from the public.

Mayor Turner closed the Public Hearing.

Motion by Council Member McClure, seconded by Council Member McDonald, and voted, unanimously, to approve the 2023-11 Amendment to the Personnel Policy to

include the Utilization of Technologies Policy and the Wireless Mobile Device Agreement.

NEW BUSINESS

6. Annual Renewal of FY 2023-2024 Cyber and Technology Professional Liability Insurance with Hiscox Insurance Company, Inc

Mr. Harris stated that the only change from the previous one is an increase of approximately 10%.

Motion by Council Member Yardley, seconded by Council Member Bowen, and voted, unanimously, to approve the FY 2023-2024 Cyber and Technology Professional Liability Insurance with Hiscox Insurance Company, Inc.

7. Annual Renewal of FY 2023-2024 Property and Casualty Insurance with Apex Insurance Agency

Mr. Harris stated that the best price received, after bids, was from Apex which is the current carrier.

Motion by Council Member Bowen, seconded by Council Member McDonald, and voted, unanimously, to approve the FY 2023-2024 Property and Casualty Insurance with Apex Insurance Agency.

8. LMIG and additional paving projects

Tom O'Bryant addressed the Mayor and Council Members and stated that SPLOST funds can be utilized.

Motion by Council Member McDonald, seconded by Council Member Bowen, and voted, unanimously, to authorize staff to pursue paving projects and put them out for bid.

9. Church Street culvert repair

Mr. O'Bryant stated that the culvert is 35 years old and is collapsing.

Motion by Council Member McDonald, seconded by Council Member Yardley, and voted, unanimously, to approve

10. Resolution 2023-13 consenting to increase capital expenses from \$2,500 to \$7,500 in compliance with the Water Authority for the water treatment plant

Mayor Turner stated that he is on the Authority and that he fully supports approval.

Motion by Council Member Yardley, seconded by Council Member McClure, and voted, unanimously, to approve Resolution 2023-13 consenting to increase capital expenses from \$2,500 to \$7,500 in compliance with the Water Authority for the water treatment plant.

11. Turner Creek Water Treatment Plant FY 2024 Proposed Budget

Mr. Harris stated that the agreement between the City and the Water Authority authorizes the Council to approve the Water Authority's budget prior to their approval.

Motion by Council Member McClure, seconded by Council Member McDonald, and voted, unanimously, to approve Turner Creek Water Treatment Plant FY 2024 Budget as proposed.

12. Neptune 360 System quote

Mr. Harris stated that the current system used for meter reading is going out of business and will not be supported in 2024. He said the Neptune 360 System is a base model but a great system with good technologies for the future.

Motion by Council Member McDonald, seconded by Council Member McClure, and voted, unanimously, to approve the purchase of Neptune 360 System as quoted.

13. New Surveillance System for the City Park

Mr. Harris stated the immediate needs for surveillance cameras for the city park, city hall, and police department. He said the funding could come out of SPLOST IV or SPLOST V.

Motion by Council Member McDonald, seconded by Council Member McClure, and voted, unanimously, to approve the purchase of a new surveillance system for the city park.

14. Resolution 2023-10 amendment to Board Appointments

- Housing Authority

Motion by Council Member McClure, seconded by Council Member Bowen, and voted, unanimously, to approve the re-appointment of Barbara Goodger and the appointment of Kevin Harris to the Housing Authority.

15. Work Detail Agreement with Georgia Department of Corrections Work Detail Agreement for \$49,318

Motion by Council Member Bowen, seconded by Council Member McClure, and voted, unanimously, to approve the Work Detail Agreement with Georgia Department of Corrections in the amount of \$49,318.

16. Approve Meeting Minutes

- May 8, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Motion by Council Member McClure, seconded by Council Member McDonald, and voted, unanimously, to approve the May 8, 2023 Meeting Minutes.

17. Approve Executive Session Minutes

- May 8, 2023 Executive Session Minutes

Motion by Council Member McDonald, seconded by Council Member McClure, and voted, unanimously, to approve the May 8, 2023 Executive Session Minutes.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

18. Leak Protection proposal – 2023-09 - consideration (1st Public Hearing held on April 10, 2023 and 2nd Public Hearing held on May 8, 2023)

Mr. Harris discussed the proposal. He stated that it will not be implemented until the August billing cycle.

Motion by Council Member Yardley, seconded by Council Member McClure, and voted, unanimously, to postpone 2023-09 Leak Protection until the June 12, 2023.

19. May 1, 2023 Meeting Minutes NOTE: Postponed at the May 8, 2023 Council Meeting

Motion by Council Member McClure, seconded by Council Member Bowen, and voted, unanimously, to approve the May 1, 2023 Meeting Minutes.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ben Bradshaw, 1561 Post Road, addressed the Mayor and Council Members to discuss his concerns regarding the waste water treatment plant causing a smell at the head start school. He provided the Mayor and Council Members with a petition regarding the waste water system.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR KEVIN HARRIS

Mr. Harris did not have any further items to report.

CITY ATTORNEY KEITH WHITAKER

Mr. Whitaker did not have any items to report.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. Ritchie stated the calendar items.

Upcoming calendar items:

- 20. White County Water Authority Meeting – Thursday, June 8, 2023, at 7:30 a.m. at the Water Authority
- 21. Planning & Zoning Meeting – Thursday, June 22, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. at the Police Department
- 22. Downtown Development Authority – Thursday, July 6, 2023, at 3:00 p.m. at the Chamber of Commerce

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Council Member McClure, seconded by Council Member McDonald and voted, unanimously, to enter an Executive Session at 7:40 p.m.

- 23. Discussion regarding personnel, real estate, and pending litigation



Motion by Council Member McClure, seconded by Council Member McDonald and voted, unanimously, to adjourn the Executive Session and return to the City Council Meeting at 9:02 p.m.



Council Member McDonald opened the door to allow citizens to return to the regular meeting. There were no citizens waiting to return to the meeting.

ADJOURN

Motion by Council Member Bowen, seconded by Council Member McClure and voted, unanimously, to adjourn the City Council Meeting of June 5, 2023 at 9:03 p.m.

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|  _____ Nan Bowen Council Member Ward 1 |  _____ C.J. McDonald Council Member Ward 4 |
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|  _____ Rebecca Yardley Council Member Ward 2 Mayor Pro Tem | ATTEST:  _____ Lisa A. Ritchie City Clerk |
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