



**Cleveland City Council
Meeting Minutes**

Monday, May 1, 2023 - 6:30 P.M.

**Cleveland Community Center/Police Department
342 Campbell Street, Cleveland, GA**

1. Call to Order

Mayor Pro Tem Yardley called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

PRESENT:

Council Members Nan Bowen, Rebecca Yardley (Mayor Pro Tem), and Jeremy McClure
Mayor Josh Turner and Council Member CJ McDonald were not in attendance.

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

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

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

PRESENTATION

- 5. National Small Business Week Proclamation**

Mayor Pro Tem Yardley read the Proclamation

Motion by Council Member Bowen, seconded by Council Member McClure, and voted, unanimously, to approve the National Small Business Week Proclamation.

Mayor Pro Tem Yardley presented the Proclamation to Beth Truelove, White County Chamber of Commerce President. Ms. Truelove expressed her appreciation to the Council for the support they provide to small businesses.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR KEVIN HARRIS

Mr. Harris discussed the following items:

- Improved ISO 3/3x ratings
- Posting of the Finance Director position
- SPLOST IV information
- Bates Carter internal control review scheduled to begin during the week of May 15
- Package store applications, review, and selection processes
- Georgia Environmental Finance Authority (GEFA) modified loan agreement which accommodates continued permit delays
- Trail cam purchases for monitoring sewer system due to illegal dumping
- Stop signs at the intersection of Old Nacoochee and Faulkner Street – A 30 day grace period is planned prior to citations being issued
- Internal upcoming department budget meetings for production of drafts for the Mayor and Council to review
- 25th Anniversary Celebration of white County Family Connect

CITY ATTORNEY KEITH WHITAKER

Mr. Whitaker did not have any items to report.

NEW BUSINESS

6. Hiscox Insurance Company, Inc. Release and Assignment for a payment in the amount of \$14,574.36

Mr. Harris stated that the \$14,574.36 is a reimbursement from an insurance claim.

Motion by Council Member McClure, seconded by Council Member Bowen, and voted, unanimously, to approve the release and assignment for a payment in the amount of \$14,574.36.

7. Resolution 2023-10 to amend Board Appointments
 - Appointment – White County Water Authority

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

8. Approve Meeting Minutes

- April 10, 2023 Meeting Minutes
- April 26, 2023 Called Meeting Minutes

Motion by Council Member Bowen, seconded by Council Member McClure, and voted, unanimously, to approve the Minutes of the April 10, 2023 Meeting, and April 26, 2023 Called Meeting.

9. Approve Executive Session Minutes
 - April 10, 2023 Executive Session Minutes
 - April 26, 2023 Executive Session Minutes

Motion by Council Member McClure, seconded by Council Member Bowen, and voted, unanimously, to approve the Minutes of the April 10, 2023 and April 26, 2023 Executive Sessions.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

10. Update the City of Cleveland Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map - **NOTE:**
Postponed at the April 10, 2023 Council Meeting until the May 1, 2023 Meeting.

Mayor Pro Tem Yardley stated that beginning in 2022 the City Council directed the Planning and Zoning Board to develop a draft updated development code that reflects the goals of the city and comprehensive plan including updating the Future Land Use map. She stated that the first public hearing on the Future Land Use map was presented at the Council's March 6, 2023 Meeting, and the second one was held at their April 10, 2023 Meeting. Two documents were submitted into the record at the second hearing. The Council did not have sufficient time to review the information provided and postponed their decision until this Meeting.

Mayor Pro Tem Yardley stated that prior to the initial meeting, the map was provided for public viewing and input on the City's website. She said prior to implementation, the map must be submitted for review by GMRC and GA DCA.

Mayor Pro Tem Yardley read a statement from Council Member CJ McDonald. His statement read as follows: "the passage of the proposed Land Use Map has my full and unwavering support. If I were in attendance, I would vote Aye."

Motion by Council Member Bowen, to accept the land use map as submitted, Council Member McClure requested to remove of the historical designation, Council Member Bowen accepted Council Member McClure's amendment, and voted, unanimously, to accept the land us map.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no comments from the public.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. Ritchie gave the announcements.

11. Upcoming calendar items:

- White County Water Authority Meeting – Thursday, May 11, 2023, at 7:30 a.m. at the Water Authority
- Annual Business Block Party – Thursday, May 11, 2023, from 2:00 until 8:00 p.m. at Freedom Park
- Planning & Zoning Meeting – Thursday, May 25, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. at the Police Department
- Downtown Development Authority – Thursday, June 1, 2023, at 3:00 p.m. at the Chamber of Commerce

ADJOURN

Motion by Council Member Bowen, seconded by Council Member McClure, and voted, unanimously, to adjourn the meeting at 6:54 p.m.

<u>Absent</u>	_____	<u>Jeremy McClure</u>	_____
Josh Turner	Mayor	Jeremy McClure	Council Member Ward 3

<u>Nan Bowen</u>	_____	<u>Absent</u>	_____
Nan Bowen	Council Member Ward 1	C.J. McDonald	Council Member Ward 4

<u>Rebecca Yardley</u>	_____	ATTEST:	<u>Lisa A. Ritchie</u>	_____
Rebecca Yardley	Council Member Ward 2 Mayor Pro Tem	Lisa A. Ritchie	Lisa A. Ritchie	City Clerk