

CITY OF BUCHANAN
Minutes of Called Council Meeting
January 11th, 2022

Mayor: AJ Scott.

Council Members: Kendall Holderfield, Angie Hood, and Steve Holcombe were present.

Department Heads: City Clerk Sherry Taylor, Public Works Director Heath Lee, and Chief Brent Christopher.

Mayor Scott: Calls the meeting to order. The invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Steve Holcombe.

Mayor Scott: Mr. Scott asked for a motion to approve the agenda with an addition to add legal with the executive session. Angie Hood made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition. Kendall Holderfield seconds the vote. Motion carried 3-0.

Mayor Scott: Mr. Scott asked for a motion to approve the minutes for November 8th, 2021. Angie Hood made a motion to approve the minutes for November 8th, 2021. Kendall Holderfield seconds the vote. Motion carried 3-0.

Library-Jana Gentry: Not present. Mary Jarrell updated the council about the library and thanked the council for their participation with the library.

Mayor Scott: Mr. Scott asked for a motion to move the Library Discussion before Main Street Representative-Tina Southern. Angie Hood made a motion to move the Library Discussion up. Kendall Holderfield seconds the vote. Motion carried 3-0.

Library Discussion: The city budgeted for \$8,000.00 to be donated to the library. Angie Hood asks Mrs. Taylor if the city can donate any more monies to the library. Mrs. Taylor informs the council that the budget is tight, and the city can donate an extra \$2,000.00. Kendall Holderfield made a motion to donate an extra \$2,000.00 along with the budgeted \$8,000.00 to the library. Steve Holcombe seconds the vote. Motion carried 3-0.

Main Street Representative-Tina Southern: Not present.

Mayor Pro-Tem: Mr. Scott asks the council if anyone would like to nominate a council member as Mayor Pro-Tem. Kendall Holderfield nominated Angie Hood. Angie Hood made a motion to be nominated as Mayor Pro-Tem. Kendall Holderfield seconds the vote. Motion carried 3-0. The lawyer informed the council that Angie Hood should abstain from the vote and that the next meeting should clarify the vote.

Insurance Premium Tax: Mrs. Taylor asked the council to vote on the prepared resolution to change the city's insurance premium tax fee from \$25 to \$15. The census has dropped causing the city to fall into a different taxing category. Angie Hood made a motion to lower the insurance premium tax to \$15. Kendall Holderfield seconds the vote. Motion carried 3-0.

Mayor Scott: Mr. Scott asked for a motion to go into executive session for legal and personnel. Kendall Holderfield made a motion to go into executive session for legal and personnel. Steve Holcombe seconds the vote. Motion carried 3-0.

Executive Session- Legal and Personnel

Mayor Scott: Mr. Scott asked for a motion to come out of executive session. Kendall Holderfield made a motion to come out of executive session. Stanley Freeland seconds the vote. Motion carried 4-0.

Bids on Carrollton Street: Mr. Lee presented the bids that were opened on December 20, 2021. He suggested that the council accept the highest bid of \$24,125.00. Kendall Holderfield made a motion to accept Henry T. McBrayer's bid of \$24,125.00. Angie Hood seconds the vote. Motion carried 3-0.

Annexation of Properties on Macedonia Church Rd: Angie Hood made a motion to annex the county properties discussed on Macedonia Church Rd and revisit the annexation of the remaining county properties at the next meeting. Kendall Holderfield seconds the vote. Motion carried 3-0.

Copier/Printer for City Hall: Mrs. Taylor presented the council with two different bids for a new copier for city hall. The city's current copier is over 13 years old and constantly gives the city staff problems. Mrs. Taylor suggested the council go with the bid from CCF of Atlanta for \$4,100.00 using SPLOST funds. Angie Hood made a motion to accept the bid from CCF of Atlanta for \$4,100.00. Kendall Holderfield seconds the vote. Motion carried 3-0.

Gregory Chappell-Public Comment: Mr. Chappell discussed his issues with getting water ran out to his property on Macedonia Church Rd. The Haralson County Water Authority informed him that they did not have water services available to his property. Mr. Chappell asks the council to consider offering water services to his property in the county, so he does not have to drill a well. The mayor tables this discussion to the next meeting.

Departmental Updates

Public Works Director-Heath Lee: Mr. Lee updated the council on the various tasks that public works have been working on, including several sewer issues, water leaks, and locates.

Police Chief-Brent Christopher: Mr. Christopher informed the council of the upcoming training that has been scheduled for the department. The department is still waiting for the vehicles and should receive them within the next 14 days. Major Kristopher Whitfield updated the council on crime and statistics.

City Clerk-Sherry Taylor: Mrs. Taylor updated the council on the various training classes scheduled for the newly elected official and city staff.

Mayor Scott: Mr. Scott asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Kendall Holderfield made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Steve Holcombe seconds the vote. Motion carried 3-0.

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