

**CITY OF BUCHANAN**  
**Minutes of the Work Session**  
**July 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

**Mayor:** AJ Scott.

**Council Members:** Angie Hood and Steve Holcombe were present.

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

**Mayor Scott:** Calls the meeting to order. Informed the public that the regular council meeting has been cancelled due to the absence of Stanley Freeland and Kendall Holderfield.

**Mayor Scott:** Mr. Scott added Peddlers License to the agenda.

**Designating the Historical District to the Square:** Mrs. Taylor presented examples of historical districts to the council. The council discussed the square and its history. The council suggested that Mrs. Taylor contact Ethan Calhoun at the Northwest Georgia Regional Commission for more information on this process.

**Insurance:** Mr. Scott updated the council on the various changes made to the insurance policy. Mr. Scott noticed several items that were no longer needed, and they were removed from the policy. The premium decreased to around \$31,000. Mrs. Taylor informed the council that an updated policy can be provided if needed.

**Peddlers License:** Mrs. Taylor updated the council on the proposed changes to the Peddlers license ordinance. The lawyer informed Mrs. Taylor that the proposed changes were ready to be voted on. This item will be placed on the upcoming agenda.

**Departmental Updates-**

**Sherry Taylor-City Clerk:** Mrs. Taylor updated the council on the administrations' daily operations and the items that they have been working on.

**Heath Lee-Public Works Director:** Mr. Lee informed the council that they are still using a rental pump until the new one gets delivered. The estimated delivery date is August 27<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Lee updated the council on the USDA project. The legal ad for the maintenance building was posted in the paper and will run for a month. The city had some of the roads striped and the next phase will start as soon as the checks are signed. The department has also noticed some right-of-ways that need to be cleared up. Mr. Lee will be getting a quote to remove some trees on those right-of- ways.

**Brent Christopher-Police Chief:** Mr. Christopher updated the council with crime statistics. The department had a fundraiser to get new vests for the officers. They

received donations for the remainder of the balance. The new police officer is in the third week of school and is doing great. Mr. Christopher also informed the council of the ceased car that is now listed on gov deals to be sold. The drug account was also refunded the charge analysis fees that were accruing throughout the year by mistake.

**L.O.S.T. Negotiations:** Mr. Scott and Mrs. Taylor informed the council of the various L.O.S.T. negotiation meetings they have attended. The council discussed the proposals from the L.O.S.T. meetings.

**Library- Jana Gentry:** Mrs. Gentry thanked the council for what they have done for the library. Mrs. Gentry also updated the council on the activities happening at the library this summer. The library has also just hired a new employee, Mrs. Gentry informed the council how hard it is for them to keep employees due to their limited budget.

**Mayor Scott:** Mr. Scott adjourned the meeting.

**Adjourn**