## Minutes, December 19, 2023

The City Council met in the board room at city hall on December 19, 2023 at 7 p.m.; attending were City Clerk Raven Oglesby, guest Alfred Edwards, guest Bob Johnson, guest Kennedy Kirkland, guest David Bonner, guest Angela Kirkland, guest Shalonda Washington, guest Amanda Sanders, guest Kelcei Phillips, guest Icie Paylzz, guest Celinda, guest R. Gary and Correspondent Felicity Homan for Pickens County Herald.

**Call to Order –** Mayor Davis called meeting to order.

**Invocation** – Councilmember Hagan lead us in prayer.

**Roll Call** – City Clerk Oglesby called roll: Mayor Davis, present; District 1 Councilmember Taggart, present; District 2 Councilmember Hagan, present; District 3 Councilmember Richardson, absent; District 4 Councilmember Wheat, present; District 5 Councilmember Giles, present.

**Minutes of October 17, 2023** were approved with a motion by Councilmember Giles; a second by Councilmember Taggart and motion passed with all ayes.

**Payables** –City Clerk Oglesby presented payables in the amount of \$506,759.35 for October 18, 2023 thru December 19, 2023. Councilmember Hagan made motion to approve the payables; a second from Councilmember Wheat and motion passed with all ayes.

## Old Business:

## NONE

## **New Business:**

Ordinance approval for the acceptance of a full principal forgiveness loan in the amount of \$1,500,000 – Mayor Davis asked for consideration of an ordinance accepting a \$1,500,000 full principal forgiveness loan from Alabama Water Pollution Control Authority. Councilmember Wheat made motion to approve the ordinance accepting a \$1,500,000 full principal forgiveness loan from Alabama Water Pollution Control Authority; a second from Councilmember Hagan and motion passed with all ayes.

**Public Comments** – Guest Celinda had concerns regarding Gladny Street roads needing repairing. Guest Celinda also had concerns regarding the scale on which the water is charged and asked for a breakdown of this charge. Mayor Davis advised her to reach out to Water Clerk Melissa Richardson. Guest Amanda Sanders had concerns regarding a large hole in front of the fire station and on 711 1st St N. Mayor Davis advised she would get the crew to look at them first thing Wednesday morning. Guest Alfred Edwards reported there were several limbs needing picked up near his residence because it was making it hard for vehicles to pass on the nearby street. Mayor Davis advised she would get crew to get it picked up first thing Wednesday morning.

**Reports and Request** – Councilmember Giles advised the hill pass the elementary school had holes in the middle and side of the road. Councilmember Giles also advised the ditches on Gladny and Lathrop needed cleaned out. Councilmember Hagan stated he needed to get up with the sidearm guy. Councilmember Giles stated that 6th Street needed trimmed up with the sidearm.

**Adjournment** – Mayor Davis advised the meeting was adjourned until January 16, 2024. Respectively Submitted, Raven Oglesby, City Clerk