

CITY OF STAPLETON  
COUNCIL MEETING  
September 8, 2022

Lisa M. Cranford, Mayor  
Gail Berry, City Clerk  
Carol Smith  
Martha Ann Usry  
Lewis Berry  
Larry Holley

Council Present:  
Janis Holley  
Jason Irby  
John Legander III  
Willie Moss  
Christopher Whipple

Mayor Lisa Cranford called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and rendered the invocation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mayor Cranford called for a motion to approve the minutes of the August 11, 2022, regular meeting. Motion made by Jason Irby, second by Willie Moss, to approve the minutes of the meeting. Everyone voted in favor of the motion.

1. 2022 Tax Mill Rate:

Motion made by Willie Moss, second by Janis Holley, to set the net mill rate for 2022 taxes at 10 mills. The vote was unanimous.

2. SPLOST 2022 Bank Account:

Motion made by Willie Moss, second by Christopher Whipple, to open a checking account for the SPLOST 2022 funds at FirState Bank, Wrens, Georgia, with Lisa Cranford, Jason Irby, and Gail Berry as the signers on the account with two (2) signatures required on all checks. Everyone voted in favor of the motion.

3. Fire Department Turn-out Gear Quote:

Mayor Cranford reported that the turn-out gear used by Stapleton fire fighters is outdated and needs replacing. She stressed that proper gear is essential for the safety and protection of firefighters. She presented a quote from FireLine, Inc., in the amount of \$23,424.00 for eight (8) sets of full gear. Motion made by Jason Irby, second by Janis Holley, to approve the purchase of eight (8) sets of gear as quoted using SPLOST 2016 account funds. All voted in favor.

4. LMIG 2022 Project Update:

Clerk Berry reported that analysis of the repair of several street intersections and an eroded ditch along Ivey Street revealed that the scope of work would be significantly less than initially thought and would not expend the funds currently held for the LMIG 2022 project. She presented a bid of \$52,283.40 from Southern Asphalt, LLC, the sole bidder for the initial West Sheppard Street LMIG 2022 project, for a

revised project resurfacing 1,300 linear feet of West Sheppard Street beginning at the intersection with Ivey Street and continuing westward. Motion made by Willie Moss, second by John Legander III, to void the street intersection project approved at the July 14, 2022, meeting; and approve the project and accept the bid for the revised project of 1,300 linear feet of resurfacing of West Sheppard as submitted by Southern Asphalt, LLC. The vote was unanimous.

5. Large Gathering Ordinance – Chief Robert Hoffman:

Based on the recommendation of Police Chief Robert Hoffman and recent wounding occurrences at a large party event in the city, motion made by Janis Holley, second by Jason Irby, to authorize the city attorney to draft an ordinance for the safe management of large social gatherings in the City of Stapleton. Everyone voted in favor of the motion.

CITIZEN COMMENTS: There were none

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, motion made by Willie Moss, second by John Legander III to adjourn. The vote was unanimous, and the meeting closed in order at 6:30 p.m.

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Gail Berry, Clerk