**CITY OF KINGSTON**

**30 West Main St., Kingston, GA 30145**

**COUNCIL MEETING – CITY HALL**

**October 4, 2021 – 6:00 p.m.**

The meeting began at 6:02 p.m. in attendance was council members, Louise Young-Harris, Michael McFarland, Payton Silvers, Mayor Elbert Wise, Chief T.J. Sosebee, and attorney Elliot Noll (sitting in for Brandon Bowen). Absent was Louise Howell, there were three attendees.

The meeting began with Louise Young-Harris leading the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

**SIGN IN PERMISSION TO SPEAK**

None

**APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Louise Young-Harris made a motion to approve previous minutes. Michael McFarland seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Louise Young-Harris made a motion to approve the agenda. Michael McFarland seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

**DDA UPDATE**

No update

**SET BUDGET HEARING FOR 2022 BUDGET**

2022 Budget hearing scheduled for Thursday, October 21, 2021 at 2:00 p.m.

**APPROVE TO HAVE AJ’S TREE SERVICE TO CLEAR THE CITY’S LOT ON KITCHEN’S ALLEY**

Payton Silvers made a motion to approve for Aj’s Tree Service to clear the city’s lot on Kitchen’s Alley. Michael McFarland seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVE EMPLOYEE BONUS AND AMOUNT THROUGH ARPA FUNDS**

Payton made a motion to approve a bonus of $1000 to the full-time employees that worked during COVID and $500 for newly hired employees. Michael McFarland seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVE TO PROVIDE PROPOSAL FOR DEMOLITION OF RAILROAD ST. PUMPHOUSE**

Payton Silvers made a motion to demo building at Railroad Street pumphouse and build a 3 sided brick building. Louise Young-Harris seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Roxie Pritchett spoke regarding running for Council position in November.

Mayor Wise read over Happenings in Kingston.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Payton Silvers made a motion to adjourn at 6:31 p.m. Louise Young-Harris seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

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Mayor Elbert “Chuck” Wise, Jr. City Clerk, Kelly L. Ensley