

**MINUTES OF
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
GLENNVILLE CITY HALL
TUESDAY, AUGUST 13, 2024
7:00 P.M.**

The regular scheduled council meeting was held in the City Hall Conference Room Tuesday, August 13, 2024.

Present: Bernie Weaver, Mayor
Tammy Waters, Mayor Pro Tem
Justin McLeod, Councilmember
Marcus H. Nobles III, Councilmember
Cynthia Miller, Councilmember
Stan Dansby, City Manager
Emily Mixon, City Clerk
Hugh McCullough, City Attorney
Wes Kicklighter, Police Chief
Dale Barnard, Fire Chief

Absent: Rob Fravel, Public Works Director

I. CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION, AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Weaver called the meeting to order, City Manager Dansby gave the invocation, and Councilmember Nobles led the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. DISCUSSION / APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mayor Weaver asked for a motion to approve the agenda as presented. A motion was made by Councilmember Waters, seconded by Councilmember Nobles and it passed unanimously.

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

This is the time we set aside for our citizens to comment on matters. We welcome and appreciate your comments or suggestions. Our purpose is to listen to what you tell us, and we will certainly take any comments you make under advisement. We do not answer questions at this time, nor do we reply to your statements at this time. The reason for this is that an individual council member cannot and should not attempt to commit the entire council to any position, and the council should not respond until it has all the information available on a specific matter.

Ground Rules:

- To be placed on the agenda, you must make your request to the City Clerk or City Manager by noon on the **Thursday** prior to the meeting. If a holiday falls around the meeting date, the deadline will be noon on **Wednesday** prior to the meeting day.
- Your comments are limited to five (5) minutes.
- If you have a complaint about an employee of the City, please discuss it with the City Manager first. The City Manager will advise the Council of the matter, and an executive session may be scheduled to discuss personnel issues.
- You should avoid making any slander or defamation of someone's character or reputation. If such comments are made, there can be legal consequences that follow since this is a public meeting.

- We prefer that you address matters that this council has the authority to deal with.

- **Ajani Abdul-Khalij would like to discuss Knime Educator Alliance.**

Mr. Adbul-Khalij explained that he was here to ask the City if it would consider setting up a program for educated citizens to enhance jobs in AI and data science. He explained that the program was through Knime and was a free software. He explained this would open opportunities for our students and citizens but the grant was only for formal institution and not individuals and this is why he is asking the City for help.

- **Andy Perkins would like to discuss housing in Glennville.**

Mr. Perkins spoke during the Workshop.

- **Ed Smith would like to discuss an issue with the fire hydrant repair on his property and an issue with his driveway.**

Mr. Smith stated that he lived at 417 West Barnard Street. He explained that when he bought the house in 2018 his driveway was flat to the road and since the City had paved the road his driveway was lower than the road, and had caused water to pool at the end of his driveway when it rained. He understood that when a road was paved driveways were put back the way they originally were. Mr. Smith explained that his second issue was in regard to the fire hydrant that was placed on his side of the sidewalk. He asked if anyone had checked who owned the land that the hydrant was placed on? He stated that he spoke with the Public Works Director two months ago and all he had wanted then was for the City to put his yard back the way it was. He explained that the Public Works Director told him then that they would fix his yard but nothing was ever done. He said that he cannot mow it the way it was now and if you rode by his house it looked like a corn field. Mr. Smith asked who was going to fix it?

Mayor Weaver asked City Manager Dansby to give Mr. Smith information about who owned the property that the fire hydrant was placed on.

City Manager Dansby explained that Public Works Director Fravel went to the address and measured to confirm the fire hydrant was placed in the right-of-way. He also explained that he understood from Public Works Director Fravel that all misunderstandings and issues had been resolved.

IV. DISCUSSION / APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Weaver asked for a motion to approve the consent agenda. A motion was made by Councilmember Nobles, seconded by Councilmember Waters and it passed unanimously.

V. DISCUSSION / APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION #25-01 TO ADOPT THE CALENDAR YEAR 2024 / FISCAL YEAR 2025 MILLAGE RATE AT 7.455 MILLS, FOR THE CITY OF GLENNVILLE

Mayor Weaver asked for a motion to approve Resolution #25-01 To Adopt the Calendar Year / Fiscal Year 2025 Millage Rate at 7.455 mills, For the City of Glennville. A motion was made by Councilmember McLeod, seconded by Councilmember Nobles and it passed unanimously.

VI. DISCUSSION / APPROVAL TO EXTEND MORATORIUM RELATED TO MANUFACTURED OR MOBILE HOME OR OTHER NON-TRADITIONAL HOUSING PLACEMENT WITHIN CERTAIN AREAS OF THE CITY FOR AN ADDITIONAL SIX MONTHS EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1, 2024

NOTE: The Moratorium became effective March 5, 2024 and will expire September 1, 2024. If approved, this will extend the Moratorium until February 28, 2025.

Councilmember Miller abstained from voting.

Mayor Weaver asked for a motion to approve to extend moratorium related to manufactured or mobile home or other non-traditional housing placement within certain areas of the City for an additional six months effective September 1, 2024. A motion was made by Councilmember Nobles, seconded by Councilmember Waters, and it passed with three aye votes.

City Attorney McCullough explained that Councilmember Nobles had been in touch with the Heart of Georgia Altamaha Regional Commission and they had sent him some suggested changes and revisions to the current zoning ordinance and he had reviewed it with Councilmember Nobles. He stated that once he found time to have a meeting with the lady from the Heart of Georgia to get some incite and he would have something to present to the Council well within the six-moth time frame.

VII. DISCUSSION / APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION #25-02 AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 22, ARTICLE II, SECTION 22-32 OPEN BURNING OF THE GLENNVILLE CODE OF ORDINANCES

This item was tabled for a potential called meeting next week.

VIII. DISCUSSION / APPROVAL OF PAINTING OF WINDOWS AT 111 E BARNARD STREET, STRICKLAND'S PHARMACY

NOTE: This item has been approved by the Downtown Development Authority. The painting on the windows will be on either side of the entrance door and will cover the entire window.

Mayor Weaver asked for a motion to approve the painting of windows at 111 E. Barnard Street, Strickland's Pharmacy. A motion was made by Councilmember Nobles, seconded by Councilmember McLeod and it passed unanimously.

IX. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Miller thanked everyone for what they do.

Councilmember Nobles thanked the Public Works Director Fravel, the Police Department, and the Fire Department and explained that it has been a trying week with the weather. He also thanked City Attorney McCullough in advance for the work he would do on the Burn Ordinance and the Alcohol Ordinance.

City Manager Dansby explained that the City had received the Tax Relief check for the State for \$62,925 from the program the Governor Kemp signed last year and commended Delilah and office staff for their hard work put into the program. City Manager Dansby also explained that the City received a \$5,000 donation for Canoochee EMC for the Downtown Project and Casey Bulter deserved to be commended for her work put into getting the donations.

Fire Chief Barnard thanked the Council for everything they do for the Fire Department and the citizens of Glennville.

Mayor Weaver thanked all the City staff.

X. EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS THE ACQUISITION OF REAL ESTATE

Mayor Weaver asked for a motion to go into executive session to discuss acquisition of real estate. A motion was made by Councilmember Waters, seconded by Councilmember Nobles and it passed unanimously.

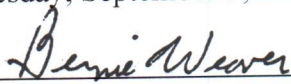
Mayor Weaver asked for a motion to return to regular session. A motion was made by Councilmember Nobles, seconded by Councilmember McLeod and it passed unanimously.

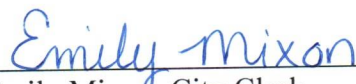
XI. ADJOURN

With all items being handled, Mayor Weaver adjourned the meeting.

AFFIRMATION

We affirm that these minutes are correct and true to form as presented to Mayor and City Council on Tuesday, September 3, 2024.


Bernie Weaver, Mayor


Emily Nixon, City Clerk