

COUNCIL MEETING CITY OF MOLENA

APRIL 8, 2019 6:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M. by Mayor George Ingram and Councilmen Damon Riggins, Allison Turner, Glenn Beckham, and Joyce Corley were present as well as City Clerk Tausha Grose, City Attorney Scott Mayfield and Chief of Police Novin Darsey. Councilwoman Elise Anthony was not present.

Councilman Damon Riggins opened the meeting with prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

OATHS OF OFFICE

Mayor George Ingram administered the Oath of Office to Councilwoman Allison Turner who was elected to fill the Council Post 5 vacancy.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

Mayor George Ingram asked to amend the agenda to add UGA Presentation to New Business. Councilman Glenn Beckham made a motion to approve the amended agenda followed by a second from Councilwoman Joyce Corley and this unanimously passed.

Councilwoman Joyce Corley made a motion to approve the minutes from the March Council Meeting followed by a second from Councilman Glenn Beckham and this unanimously passed.

INVITED GUEST

None

CHIEF OF POLICE REPORT

Chief Novin Darsey presented the monthly report (see attached).

Chief Darsey notified the council that the computers for the police cars are ordered and should be delivered soon.

Chief Darsey also notified the council that the McDonough Police Department is waiting on approval from the city council to give the Molena PD a police car.

Chief Darsey reported that the mileage on the Tahoe is 112,019 and the marked Charger it is 164,225.

BUILDINGS, STREETS AND GROUNDS

None

PUBLIC SAFETY

None

WAYS & MEANS

None

WATER

None

MAYOR’S REPORT

Mayor George Ingram notified the council that the walking track is almost finished and there has already been some use by the local public. There have been complaints that some locals are using the walking tract to ride four wheelers on. Mayor Ingram thinks that it would be a good idea to establish an ordinance to address rules for use of the park areas in the city. Mayor Ingram asked for volunteers to come up with some rules for the parks. Councilwoman Joyce Corley volunteered and will have them at the next council meeting.

Mayor Ingram notified the council that the city received a grant from Woodmen of the World in the amount of \$1000. The money will be used for lighting the flag pole at the police department as well as flags and accessories needed for the flag pole.

OLD/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mayor Ingram presented the council with quotes from American Tank Maintenance and Southern Corrosion for maintenance plans for the water tower tank. After some discussion, Councilman Damon Riggins made a motion to begin a maintenance plan on the water tower tank followed by a second from Councilman Glenn Beckham and this unanimously passed.

After reviewing quotes from American Tank Maintenance and Southern Corrosion, Councilman Damon Riggins made a motion to enter into a maintenance plan with American Tank Maintenance for the amount of \$9960 per year followed by a second from Councilman Glenn Beckham and this unanimously passed.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Ingram notified the council that the lawnmower needs repairs that are going to cost upwards of \$3000. Councilman Glenn Beckham made a motion to have the lawnmower repaired for the cost of no more than \$3000 followed by a second from Councilman Damon Riggins and this unanimously passed.

Mayor Ingram notified the council that a decision needed to be made about the landscaping for the city. Last growing season the city used Lovejoy Lawn Care and Mayor Ingram asked if the council wanted to keep letting them cut the grass or go back to using city workers. The council agreed that landscaping would be handled by city workers.

Mayor Ingram presented the council with the mayor spending power resolution. Councilman Damon Riggins made a motion to pass the resolution followed by a second from Councilman Glenn Beckham and this unanimously passed.

Mayor Ingram completed the first reading of the liquor by the drink ordinance. Councilman Glenn Beckham made a motion to accept first reading followed by a second from Councilman Damon Riggins and this unanimously passed.

The next regular meeting will be May 13, 2019 at 6:00 P.M.

Councilman Glenn Beckham made a motion to adjourn at 7:24 P.M. followed by a second from Councilman Damon Riggins and this unanimously passed.

George E Ingram, Mayor

Tausha Grose, City Clerk