

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL CALL COUNCIL MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FLORALA HELD OCTOBER 17, 2023 IN AUDITORIUM AT 6:00 PM.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Mayor Robbins with the following members present:

Councilwoman Wallace-Patton, Councilwoman Inabinett, Councilwoman Franklin, Councilman Robbins, Mayor Robins.

Absent: None.

The invocation was given by Councilman Robbins.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given by Councilwoman Wallace-Patton and all present.

The first item on the Agenda was approval to rescind the vote from previous meeting on October 9, 2023 to fill Mayor vacancy with Councilwoman Robbins, Pro Tem. Per the Alabama League of Municipalities, the vote on October 9, 2023 was not a legal vote. Councilwoman Wallace-Patton made the motion to approve and the motion was seconded by Councilwoman Franklin. Mayor called for the vote. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** Yeas: Councilwoman Wallace-Patton, Councilwoman Inabinett, Councilwoman Franklin, Councilman Robbins. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The second item on the Agenda was approval to fill the Mayor vacancy with Pro Tem Gayle Robbins. Councilwoman Wallace-Patton made the motion to approve and the motion was seconded by Councilwoman Franklin. Pro Tem Robbins called for the vote. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** Yeas: Councilwoman Wallace-Patton, Councilwoman Inabinett, Councilman Robbins. Nays: Councilwoman Franklin. Motion carried.

The third item on the Agenda was approval to hire Crystal Jones to clean the Rodney J Evans building on October 27 and 28 for the back-to-back rentals. Mayor called for the vote. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** Yeas: Councilwoman Wallace-Patton, Councilwoman Inabinett, Councilwoman Franklin, Councilman Robbins. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The fourth item on the Agenda was approval of request from Cancer Freeze representative, Jennifer Davidson. Ms. Davidson requested to hold a 5K Turkey Trot on the morning of November 23, 2023 at Lake Jackson and requested that the police offer service of blocking the road and directing traffic. Councilwoman Wallace-Patton made the motion to approve and the motion was seconded by Councilman Robbins. Mayor called for the vote. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** Yeas: Councilwoman Wallace-Patton, Councilwoman Inabinett, Councilwoman Franklin, Councilman Robbins. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The fifth item on the Agenda was the approval of the New Hire Compensation plan. Councilwoman Inabinett made the motion to approve and the motion was seconded by Councilwoman Franklin. Mayor called for the vote. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** Yeas: Councilwoman Wallace-Patton, Councilwoman Inabinett, Councilwoman Franklin, Councilman Robbins. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The sixth item on the Agenda was the approval to amend the Agenda to add regular employee pay raise change to Employee Compensation Plan that was approved by Council on August 28, 2023. Councilwoman Franklin made the motion to approve and the motion was seconded by Councilwoman Wallace-Patton. Mayor called for the vote. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** Yeas: Councilwoman Wallace-Patton, Councilwoman Inabinett, Councilwoman Franklin, Councilman Robbins. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The seventh item on the Agenda was the approval to change the pay on the Employee Compensation Plan for these employees: Garon Hughes to \$11.50 per hour; Jimmy Burlison to \$11.50 per hour; Michael Todd to \$11.25 per hour; Dominique Nelson at \$11.25 per hour. Councilwoman Franklin made the motion to approve and the motion was seconded by Councilman Robbins. Mayor called for the vote. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** Yeas: Councilwoman Wallace-Patton, Councilwoman Inabinett, Councilwoman Franklin, Councilman Robbins. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The eighth item on the Agenda was the announcement and approval of Samantha "Sami" Norris as the part-time, fill-in library assistant. Councilwoman Wallace-Patton made the motion to approve and the motion was seconded by Councilman Franklin. Mayor called for the vote. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** Yeas: Councilwoman Wallace-Patton, Councilwoman Inabinett, Councilwoman Franklin, Councilman Robbins. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The ninth item on the Agenda was to amend the Agenda for the swearing in of Gayle Robbins as Mayor of Florala. Councilwoman Wallace-Patton made the motion and the motion was seconded by Councilwoman Inabinett. Mayor called for the vote. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** Yeas: Councilwoman Wallace-Patton, Councilwoman Inabinett, Councilwoman Franklin, Councilman Robbins. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The tenth item on the Agenda was to swear in Gayle Robbins as Mayor of Florala. The oath was administered by Court Magistrate, Aron Jenkins.

Next Council meeting is on November 13, 2023.

Gina Hendriks, City Clerk

Gayle Robbins, Mayor