

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL CALL MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FLORALA HELD APRIL 23, 2024 AT 5:30 PM IN THE AUDITORIUM AT FLORALA MUNICIPAL COMPLEX.

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mayor Robbins with the following members present:

Councilwoman Wallace-Patton, Councilwoman Inabinett, Councilwoman Franklin, Councilman Robbins, Mayor Robbins. Absent: Councilman John Bryan

The invocation was given by Mayor Robbins.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given by all present.

The first item on the Agenda was the approval of the change order for the Lake Jackson bridge trail restoration project. This change order from Diversified General Contractors is for the replacement of wood due to wood rot, sakrete to keep the ground firm/dry, and for the labor/material cost. This change brings an additional \$4,095.30 to the total budget for the project. Councilwoman Inabinett made the motion to approve and Councilwoman Wallace-Patton seconded the motion. Mayor Robbins 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 the announcement of the resignation of Officer Williams and the notification of a vacancy for a certified officer.

The third item on the Agenda was the recommendation for temporary seasonal intern program from June 12 through July 30, 2024 using four students aged 16-18 for five days a week at eight hours per day for a rate of \$10 per hour. Mayor Robbins asked the Council to take this into consideration as it will be on the Agenda for next Council meeting. Also, the budget will have to be amended by \$8,000 if this recommendation passes.

The fourth item on the Agenda was the request for two speed bumps on Second Avenue. Councilwoman Franklin made the request and has received the approval from the residents on this avenue. This item will be taken into consideration for the next Council meeting.

The fifth item on the Agenda was the request for the boat launch fee at Lake Jackson to be waived for senior citizens age 65 or older. This request came from Councilwoman Franklin. There was much discussion regarding this and the Kiosk that will be implemented at the boat launch area. There are several options for this Kiosk and the group from the leadership class is still ironing out the details.

The sixth item on the Agenda was a call for motion to go into Executive Session to discuss Economic Development. Councilwoman Inabinett made the motion and Councilwoman Wallace-Patton seconded the motion. Time going into Executive Session: 5:59 PM. Mayor

Robbins 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 a call for motion to come back into regular session Council meeting from Executive Session at 6:27 PM. Councilwoman Wallace-Patton made the motion to approve and Councilwoman Franklin seconded the motion. Mayor Robbins 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 approval to allow Mayor Robbins to discuss with Southern Independent Bank business concerning a city property for economic development. Councilwoman Inabinett made the motion to approve and Councilwoman Franklin seconded the motion. Mayor Robbins called for the vote. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** Yeas: Councilwoman Wallace-Patton, Councilwoman Inabinett, Councilwoman Franklin, Councilman Robbins. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Next Council meeting is May 13, 2024

Meeting adjourned.

Gayle C. Robbins, Mayor

Gina Hendriks, City Clerk