

CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, AND ROLL CALL

Mayor Pro Tempore Joe Barrentine called the special meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. and led the pledge of allegiance. Councilmembers David M. Viafore, Shannon Reynolds, Nikki Bufford, and Jim Andrews were present. Mayor Wittner attended via Zoom. Councilmember Hunter T. George was absent and excused.

AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

There were none.

UTILITY RATES & CAPITAL COSTS DISCUSSION

Finance Director Corcoran briefed the Council on the City’s Water and Sewer funds and future capital projects. Corcoran highlighted 2023 budget assumptions to include a water rate increase of 2%, a COLA increase of 9.5%, and a proposed sewer rate increase. Corcoran reported the City has planned for two water main replacement capital projects, a pipe bursting project, and the 44th lift station upgrade project construction.

Councilmember Bufford requested updated 2022 costs versus revenue figures.

Discussions included future project details, longevity, increasing project costs, and the Mildred property utilities.

Councilmember Viafore asked about the General Facility Charges update. Public Works Director Bemis stated that GFC has not been addressed since the departure of the previous Public Works Director. Councilmember Viafore requested a discussion to review charges.

Public Works Director Bemis reported that he will be addressing asset management and preventative and proactive maintenance.

ADJOURNMENT

Viafore MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 6:34 P.M., seconded by Bufford. The Motion Carried (6-0).



Joe Barrentine, Mayor Pro Tempore



Jayne Westman, City Clerk