



**OFFICIAL MEETING OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL AGENDA MINUTES
CITY OF FORT VALLEY, GEORGIA
THURSDAY, JUNE 16TH, 2022 AT 6:30 PM**

Present: Mayor Lundy, Councilman-Alonzo Allen, Jimmy Barnes, Fred van Hartesveldt, David Morrill and Councilwoman- Juanita Bryant, Carla Gowen, Economic Director Gary Lee.

Interim City Administrator-Scakajawea Wright

Zoom: HR-Dianne Woodson, Finance Director- Eddie Madison, LaRhonda Eason

Recorder-Interim Clerk Diane Brown

I. CALL TO ORDER: 6:30 PM

II. INVOCATION-Pastor Calvin Askew

III. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA-Motion Councilman Alonzo Allen, 2ND Councilwoman Juanita Bryant, Motion carried.

IV. MINUTES APPROVAL: Motion-Council Carla Gowen, 2ND Council Fred Hartesveldt, Motion carried.

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS: City Hall Closed Monday, June 20th Observe Juneteenth.

Peach County MEGA Site

PAC Committee Juneteenth events

Concern Citizen of Fort Valley

June 18th Feed Center –Festival of Men

Jeremy and Lashonda event at Marvin Gardens/Gun and gang violence

OTHER JUNETEENTH EVENTS IN CITY:

PAC Committee, Concern Citizens of Ft. Valley, Festival of Men June 18th in Lakeview/College SQ. Field Marvin Garden Apt. Jeremy and Lashonda on Violence, Guns and Gangs.

VI. RECOGNITIONS: 2022 EMPLOYEE'S GRADUATES-Mayor Lundy and City Administrator Presenter of Certificate and Gift to the Following. Ms. Trinity Deas (City Chaplin Bishop Timothy Deas Sr.)

- Ms. Jacqueline Ellis (Daughter of Mr. Willie Joe Marshall)
- Ms. Jakayla Mathis (Daughter of Mr. Ronnie Davis Jr.)
- Ms. Tytiona Nelson (Daughter of Mr. Plezy Nelson III (PJ)& Granddaughter of Mr. Plezy Nelson Jr. (Sonny))
- Ms. Tamia Nelson (Daughter of Mr. Plezy Nelson III (PJ)& Granddaughter of Mr. Plezy Nelson Jr. (Sonny))
- Ms. Anasha Owens (Daughter of Mr. Paul Owens)
- Mr. Kyle Nixon (Son of Mr. Navarr Maxwell)
- Mr. Kevin Nixon (Son of Mr. Navarr Maxwell)
- Mr. Tylon Madison (Son of Mr. Eddie Madison)
- Mr. Javon Allen (Councilman Alonzo Allen Grandson)

EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

1. Public Works Dept. – Mr. Charl'Tyvon Ezell-Plaque and \$25
2. Fort Valley Fire Dept.- Mr. Juan Orozco- Plaque and \$25

VII.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Ethic Board Committee-Discussion-Mayor Lundy list names, selected by each Council Member.
 - Mr. Marcus Agostino, Ms. Tanja Davis
 - Calvin Jones, Edwina Knottingham Harris
 - Mr. James Adams, Mr. Hebert Grace

- Ms. LaRhonda Eason, Mr. Sam Williams
- Ms. Jenny Absher, Ms. Mary Edwards
- Mr. Ricky Jackson, Mr. Rich Adamson
- Mr. Ty Mathews, Mr. James Khoury

Motion to accept the Ethic Board Committee List-Motion Councilwoman Carla Gowen, 2nd Councilman Alonzo Allen, Motion carried.

2. First review of Festival Park Ordinance and Application-Discussion Tabled until next month, Motion-Councilman Jimmy Barnes, 2ND Councilwoman Carla Gowen, Motion carried.
3. Lonnie Bartley Plaque-Discussion
Plaque accepted, Motion-Councilwoman Juanita Bryant, 2ND Councilman Alonzo Allen, Motion carried
Motion to amend the agenda to add Jessie Anderson Brown name plaque (3) benches.
Motion-Councilwoman Juanita Bryant, 2ND Councilman Alonzo Allen, Motion carried.
Motion to put Jessie Anderson Brown name plaque on three benches in the Lonnie Bartley Park
Motion-Councilwoman Juanita Bryant, 2ND Councilman Fred Hartesveldt
Motion to look back over the records, to place Jessie Anderson Brown name on three benches
Motion-Councilman David Morrill, 2ND Councilman Jimmy Barnes, all in favor, motion carried to Table to next month meeting.
4. **Resolution to change date of Work Session Meeting to the 2ND Thursday of each month.**
Discussion tabled until next month, give time to review the City Charter. Motion-Councilman David Morrill, 2ND Councilman Jimmy Barnes, Motion carried.
5. **Resolution to hire someone to collect the debt owed to the City.**
Motion-Councilman Alonzo Allen, 2ND Councilman Jimmy Barnes, motion carried.
6. **Resolution to accept the recommendation for Solid Waste Disposal Tipping Fee Increase.**
Motion to accept recommendation. Motion-Councilwoman Juanita Bryant, 2ND Councilwoman Carla Gowen, Opposed- Councilman David Morrill, all other agreed Motion carried.
7. **Resolution for the City to repair a Sewer Vac in the amount of \$7,400.06.**
Motion to repair Sewer Vac. Motion-Councilman Jimmy Barnes, 2ND Councilman Alonzo Allen, all in favor Motion carried.
8. **Resolution for Proposed Lot Mowing Fee- For Non-City Owned Property.**
Motion to adopt proposal-Councilwoman Juanita Bryant, 2ND Councilman Alonzo Allen, all in favor Motion carried.

MEMEMBER OF THE AUDIENCE “ASK TO SPEAK.”

1. Council-Juanita Bryant, yield time to Economic Development DIR. Gary Lee.
 - a. Truck Stop Project/ Be it a great investment for the city/revenue and returns \$\$\$.
 - b. Mr. Ricky Jackson, the importance of the truck stop being on the bypass/bring other companies into the city.

AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN (ARP Funds Committee Announced)

1. Mayor Jeffery Lundy reads list of names: Councilman David Morrill, Veda Palm, Gwendolyn Coley, Frank Harts, Debra Gilluland, Alre Palm, Rosalyn Miller, Ricky Jackson, Sandra Marshall, Marcus Agostino, Al Sanders, Consultant Ms. Walker, Stan Williams, Councilwoman Juanita Bryant.

REPORTS FROM THE DEPARTMENTS

Police Department

- a. Increase in calls, due to summer, violent crimes up/out of school/increase larceny/busy weekend for events, PAC/South-end smaller events
- b. Ms. Melissa Ragin on time extension at Festival Park event, Interim Chief Thompson decision to granted extension. 7-9 pm.

Public Works Dept.

- a. \$400 Cut down a tree
- b. Maintenance
- c. Fountains in service downtown
- d. Pot holes repaired, Cut grass behind RFCU/Credit Union
- e. Cemeteries and parks maintained
- f. P.D. Blue truck /back in service next week
- g. Fountains dead/Vineville Street and Five Points

Finance Dept.-Councilman Jimmy Barnes

- a. 71-76% budget spending 25% left in budget
- b. Forensic audit. Thru accounting firm

Personnel Dept.

- a. P.D. Chief interview 21st at 10am and Customer Service Rep. next week, Accounts Technician pick top 4 applicants.

Fire Department

- a. 47 calls for service
- b. 9-Businesses inspection
- c. MDA-(2)-Boot drives complete.
- d. 2-Fire safety classes
- e. Hydrant testing completed
- f. 3-Fire drill classes
- g. Training-114 hrs.
- h. MDA and Give Burn the Boot done through the summer. Report funds in fall.

ADJOURNMENT

EXECUTIVE SESSION -7:41 PM

Motion to move to executive session-Councilwoman Carla Gowen, 2nd Councilman Alonzo Allen, Motion carried.

Actions may be taken after Executive Session

VIII. Motion to exit executive session- Councilwoman Juanita Bryant, 2nd Councilwoman Carla Gowen.
Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn meeting Council Juanita Bryant, 2nd Council Jimmy Barnes, Motion carried.

IX. **ADJOURNMENT- 8:35 PM.**

Diane Brown, Interim City Clerk