

**Minutes of Regular Meeting  
Mayor and Council  
City of Fitzgerald, Georgia  
February 13, 2023  
6:00 pm**

Mayor and Council of the City of Fitzgerald, Georgia, met in a **Regular** meeting in the City Hall Council Chambers, located at 302 East Central Avenue, with Mayor Holt presiding and with Council members Brown, D, Jefferson, S. Jefferson, J. Johnson, K. Johnson, Peavey, Roberts, and Webb being present.

Mayor Holt welcomed everyone in attendance. Mayor Holt mentioned our condolences to Councilman Kevin Johnson on the passing of his father. Mayor Holt also mentioned keeping City Administrator Kathy Young's father and Kathryn Hart's father in your thoughts and prayers for procedures they had.

Minutes of January 9, 2023, Regular Council meeting were presented. Mayor Holt entertained a motion for approval.

**Motion:** Peavey

**Second:** Brown

No discussion.

**Roll Call Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

Minutes of January 9, 2023, organizational meeting were presented. Mayor Holt entertained a motion for approval.

**Motion:** J. Johnson

**Second:** Webb

No discussion.

**Roll Call Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

Mayor Holt called on Police Chief William Smallwood to come forward. Chief Smallwood presented two promotion pinning's: Curt Coalson was promoted to Captain and James Skinner was promoted to Sergeant.

Chief Smallwood also recognized the work of Captain Todd McCard, our professional standards officer. For the 18<sup>th</sup> year, we are state certified. Much work goes into getting this certification and we wanted to showcase the work that was done. Congratulations to all.

A communication was read from Cam Jordan.

In the administrative report, take time to review all the things that are going on. Mayor Holt mentioned that many of the items in the report will be noted in the state of the city address to come.

City Attorney, Kyle Cook, presented the following Ordinances and Resolutions:

**Ordinance 23-1588** An Ordinance to grant permission and consent to Georgia Power Company, its successors and assigns, to occupy the streets and public places of the City of Fitzgerald,

Georgia, in constructing, maintaining, operating and extending poles, lines, cables, equipment, and other apparatus for transmitting and distributing electricity and for other purposes.

**Motion** to dispense with full reading: Roberts.

**Second:** Webb

**With no discussion; Roll Call Vote: 8 Yes; 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

Mayor Holt mentioned that this agreement is for the next 35 years.

**Motion** to approve: Webb

**Second:** Brown

**With no discussion; Roll Call Vote: 8 Yes; 0 No. All in favor, motion approved**

**Ordinance Caption:** A Caption to close to vehicular traffic that portion of the public alley between city lots 4 and 5 in square 8, block 1, in the City of Fitzgerald Georgia; to sell and convey the right of way of said alley to the adjoining landowner, subject to the reservation of an easement with respect to the maintenance, repair and replacement of all utilities located over, upon or under said portion of said alley.

**Resolution R23-002:** A Resolution to authorize and direct an officer of the City to execute one or more lease supplements for a lease or leases under the GMA direct leasing program; to designate such leases as qualified tax-exempt obligations.

**Motion to dispense with full reading:** Roberts

**Second:** J. Johnson

**Roll Call Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved**

Mayor Holt mentioned this is for the garbage truck that we now have.

**Motion to approve:** Roberts

**Second:** Webb

**Roll Call Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved**

Under new business, City Clerk, Cristina Evans mentioned the upcoming FCA banquet and the CIS banquet. We have tickets so please, if you would like to go, see me immediately after the meeting to receive the tickets.

Councilman Webb mentioned that we received the GA Economic Collaborative Place Making award.

Brandy Elrod mentioned that the first Fitzgerald Arts Fest was a success in spite of the weather.

Kevin Johnson gave thanks to all the support on the passing of his father.

Tommy Roberts mentioned there is money for mortgages through the GA DCA. See him for any questions.

Sheila Jefferson inquired on Lori Brown working full time with the arts council.

Mayor Holt gave the State of the City Address.

Upon completion, he asked for approval of this address.

**Motion** to approve: Webb

**Second:** Roberts

**Roll Call Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved**

With there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

**APPROVED:**



*Cristina Kumy*

**CITY CLERK**

*Jose Sileet*

**MAYOR**