

**Minutes of Regular Meeting  
Mayor and Council  
City of Fitzgerald, Georgia  
March 11, 2024  
6:00 p.m.**

Mayor and Council met on Monday, March 11, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. at the City Hall Council Chambers, located at 302 East Central Avenue, with Mayor Jason L. Holt presiding and with Council members Clemons, S. Jefferson, J. Johnson, K. Johnson, Roberts and Webb being present.

Mayor Holt welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Minutes of previous meeting, February 12, 2024, Regular Council meeting were presented. Mayor Holt entertained a motion for approval. Council member Roberts made a **motion** to approve minutes, **seconded** by Council member J. Johnson. With there being no additions or corrections, Mayor Holt called for a **Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

Under hearing from citizens or visitors:

Mayor Holt called on Emily Ray. Emily Ray received her advanced certificate in public works management. This class was a total of 90 hours to complete. Congratulations to Emily.

Mayor Holt called on Katie Rumsey. Mrs. Rumsey came and spoke on behalf of the Gateway Center. This is a center for child advocacy and sexual assault center. They are a 501C3 and have served Ben Hill County since 1999. Sometime this year, we should be in a room at DMC to hold interviews. We appreciate the support of the city and the community.

Under **reports of city officers**, Mayor Holt called attention to the Administrative Report. Please be sure to review the report. There are many items in the report this month to review. Also, this weekend is the Wild Chicken Festival. Please note the grant spreadsheet on the back of this report for an update on all the grants.

Reports of **standing committees** were given by their respective chairpersons.

Council Person Clemons presented an alcohol license for 602 N Grant Street, Quick Express, this is for new ownership of the location and for beer and wine off premises. This has been through all the proper channels for approval. **Motion** to approve this license: Clemons. Mayor Holt called for a **second**: Roberts. With no discussion: **Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes, 0 No. All in favor. Motion approved.**

City Attorney, Kyle Cook, presented an **Ordinance 24-1616**: An Ordinance to amend section 6-25 "businesses in unqualified structures prohibited," of article II "Buildings," of Chapter 6 "buildings and building regulations" of the code of ordinances of the City of Fitzgerald, Georgia.

**Motion** to dispense with reading: Roberts

**Second**: Clemons

**With no discussion: Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

Mayor Holt asked for approval of the Ordinance.

**Motion:** Roberts

**Second:** Webb

Discussion ensued. This ordinance does not apply to food trucks. There are no structures in the City Limits and this would cover temporary structures and nothing mobile.

With no further discussion: **Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

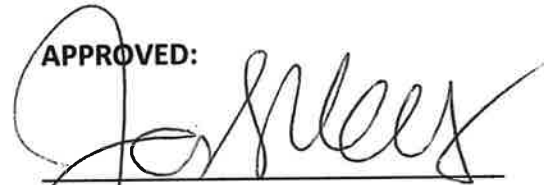
Under New Business: The Chicken Festival is this weekend beginning Friday through Sunday. This will probably be the last year of the skydiving event during this weekend.

Council Member S. Jefferson inquired about the CHIP Grant and Whitney Justice gave the area that was to be covered and if there were any questions regarding a location to please see her.

Councilman J. Johnson mentioned that the chicken is looking better and there is a more positive outlook on it.

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



APPROVED:  
  
MAYOR

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