Town of Clermont Town Council Meeting January 2, 2024

The Clermont Town Council met on January 2, 2024. The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Present: Mayor James Nix, Council Members James Castleberry, Seth Weaver, Marcia Kesler, Amanda Nix, and John Brady. Town Clerk Amy Lomax also attended.

SWEARING IN NEWLY ELECTED OFFICIALS: Town Clerk Amy Lomax gave the Oath of Office to newly elected Council Members Seth Weaver, John Brady, and Amanda Nix.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Mayor Nix requested that the agenda item of updating the check signature card be added. Seth Weaver motioned that the agenda be approved with the addition. James Castleberry seconded, and all Council Members voted in favor. Motion passed.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Council Member Seth Weaver led the invocation, and Mayor Nix led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPOINT 2024 OFFICERS: Seth Weaver motioned to appoint the following Town Officers for 2024. First Administrator- James Nix, Second Administrator- Seth Weaver, Mayor Pro Tem- Seth Weaver, Town Clerk- Amy Lomax, Town Attorney- David Syfan, Town Auditor-Walker, Pierce & Tuck CPA's, Building Inspector- Ronald Couch, Legal Organ- The Gainesville Times. Marcia Kesler seconded, and all Council Members present voted in favor, Motion Passed.

MINUTES-DECEMBER 2023: Marcia Kesler motioned to accept the December 2023 Minutes. Amanda Nix seconded the motion, and all Council members present voted in favor. Motion passed.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT: The Mayor and Council reviewed the November 2023 Financial Report.

APPROVAL TO UPDATE CHECK SIGNATURE CARD: Seth Weaver motioned to remove Doug Myers from the checking account and add Amanda Nix and John Brady. Marcia Kesler seconded, and all Council members present voted in favor. Motion passed.

SECOND READING ON SOLAR PANEL REGULATIONS ORDINANCE 82-2023-

12-08. Mayor Nix gave the second reading of Ordinance 82-2023-12-08. An ordinance to establish Solar Regulations within the Town of Clermont, Georgia; to provide for the purpose, definitions, system requirements, safety inspections, require removal of abandoned systems, to provide for appeals; to provide for an effective date; to provide for severability of provisions; to repeal conflicting ordinances; and for other purposes. Seth

Weaver made a motion to approve Ordinance 82-2023-12-08. Marcia Kesler seconded the motion and all Council Members voted in favor. Motion passed.

PROJECT UPDATES: James Castleberry updated the Council on the park project at the corner of King and Carter Street. He has spoken with the contractor doing the grading and concrete work, and he plans to begin the work in the next two weeks.

Amanda Nix said she had gotten great feedback on the upgrades to the Market Street Park. Marcia Kesler asked what we charged to rent the pavilions. Amy Lomax said it is currently \$25.00 for two hours or \$50.00 for four hours, but raising the fees to \$30.00 for two hours and \$60.00 for four hours has been discussed if the Council agrees. The Council said they agreed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: The Mayor asked the audience if anyone had any comments. With there being none, he called for the meeting to be adjourned.

ADJOURN: Seth Weaver motioned to adjourn at 7:20 p.m. Marcia Kesler seconded the motion, and all Council members voted in favor. Motion passed.

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