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Good Hope City Council Minutes

February 5, 2024

Prior to the City Council meeting, there was a reception and presentation for Citizen of the year. Mayor Garrett presented Bethel Baptist Church with a plaque, in recognition of being named Citizen of the year, Pastor Tom Etterlee was present to receive the plaque. Ms. Betty Bowers had written some history of the church, and Mayor Garrett read this and then spoke of all the community events that Bethel Baptist have always been so active in. There were many members of the church in attendance for the reception and the presentation.

1. **Call to order:** Mayor Randy Garrett called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm and led the invocation, Councilmember David Mullis, Jr. led the pledge.
2. **Roll Call:** Performed by City Clerk Missy Daigle, Council Members Kelsey Malcom, William Malcom, John Robison Jr., David Mullis, Jr., and Keith Prather were in attendance.
3. **Approval of agenda:** Mayor Garrett amended the agenda to move Item 8A up to be done prior to the start of the City Council meeting, and Item 8C to be moved up to Committee reports, becoming item 6A and moving items 6A, 6B, and 6C down. Councilmember Keith Prather made a motion to accept the agenda as amended, Councilmember David Mullis, Jr. seconded, and all approved.
4. **Approval of previous meeting's minutes:** Councilmember William Malcom made a motion to accept January Council minutes and Councilmember John Robison, Jr. seconded, all approved, motion passed and minutes were recorded.
5. **Public Forum:** Commissioner Lee Bradford thanked the Council for all that they do for the City of Good Hope.
6. **Committee Reports/Updates:**
 - A. **State -Wide Mutual Aid Agreement:** Carl Morrow, EMA for Walton County was present, as well as his Assistant, J.B. Welcher, to discuss funds for disaster relief and explain the State wide mutual aid agreement. The Council was advised to have three officials for emergency relief agreement and presently Mayor Garrett and City Clerk, Missy Daigle are the only two, it was decided that a Councilmember would be the third. Councilmember Keith Prather made a motion to accept and sign the State wide mutual aid agreement, Councilmember William Malcom seconded the motion and the motion passed 100%.
 - B. **Budget Update:** The council was presented with a year-to-date report. Councilmember Keith Prather made a motion to accept the budget report and Councilmember David Mullis, Jr. seconded the motion. All were in favor and the budget report was approved.
 - C. **City Hall Rentals:** Currently there are 2 rentals for the month of February, and every month for the year already has several dates booked.
 - D. **Qualification Location for the 2024 Nov. General Election:** Mayor Garrett let the council know that qualification will take place at the Walton County Elections office and not at the Good Hope City Hall.
7. **Unfinished business:** There was no unfinished business.
8. **New Business:**
 - A. **"Simple Grants" Proposal:** Mayor Garrett asked the council if there was interest in having a representative from the company, Simple Grants, to come speak at the next council meeting about possible grants that we could apply for. The council was in agreement for a representative to come to the next meeting.
9. **Council Discussion Items for the good of the order:** There is a P&Z meeting scheduled for February 26, 2024 at 6:30.
10. **Adjourn:** Councilmember Keith Prather made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Councilmember David Mullis, Jr. seconded, all approved and the meeting was adjourned at 7:02 pm.

Mayor

Clerk