

**Minutes
City of Folkston
Regular Monthly Meeting
February 21, 2022**

The Mayor and Council of the City of Folkston met in regular session on February 21, 2022 at City Hall.

Mayor Gowen called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. He gave the invocation and led the pledge of allegiance.

Members Present: **Lee Gowen, Mayor**
 Ruby Baker
 Marion Davis Jr.
 Jim Gowen
 Rob Roberson
 Bruce Young

Members Absent:

Also Present: **Leonard H. Lloyd, City Manager**
 Darlene Williamson, City Clerk

Visitors: Dana O'Quinn, Okefenokee Chamber, Jamison Guice, Charlton County Herald,
 and Elaine Bailey

AGENDA

Mr. Marion Davis made a motion to approve the agenda as presented.
 Mr. Bruce Young seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote.

MINUTES

Mrs. Ruby Baker made a motion to approve the minutes for the January 10, 2022
 Regular Meeting and February 14, 2022 Work Session as presented. Mr. Jim Gowen
 seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote.

APPROVE INCOME AND EXPENSE STATEMENTS

Mr. Bruce Young made a motion to approve the income and expense statements for
 January, 2022 as presented. Mr. Rob Roberson seconded the motion and it passed
 by unanimous vote.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Chief Green stated the police department filed 37 incident reports, investigated 6 accidents and answered 1,287 calls during the month of January 2022. The police department collected \$11,038.00 in fines and forfeitures; the city's portion is \$9,048.40.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

Mr. Lloyd informed the council the closeout documents for the LMIG / Main Street project have been sent to the Department of Transportation.

The city crew will make the drainage repairs at the intersection of Main Street and Tower Street. The bids for this project came in over the estimated cost and were rejected.

DANA O'QUINN / OKEFENOKEE CHAMBER

Mrs. Dana O'Quinn gave an update on the upcoming events, Rail watch will begin on Friday, April 1st and end on Sunday April 3rd. There will be a car show and local vendors, but the event will not be as large as last year.

The Chamber is hosting a barbeque lunch on April 21, 2022 to honor all city employees, county employees, public service and public safety workers for all their hard work. The lunch will be from 11:00 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the depot.

She then stated plans to hold a food truck Friday in March, the date has not been determined at this time. Mrs. O'Quinn informed the council she has talked to Georgia Power about a program called "My Community Program", which offers to install and maintain charging stations for electric vehicles at no charge to the city. She recommended that two stations be installed in front of the depot, if the program will pay for them. This would bring drivers into Folkston and give them time to visit the downtown area while waiting for their vehicle to charge up.

BEER, WINE AND LIQUOR APPLICATION/ REGGIE SMITH – JALEN'S INC

Mayor Lee Gowen informed the council the city has received an application for a beer, wine and liquor on premises consumption license from Jalen's Inc., location; 3762 Second Street South dated January 7, 2022. The application has been on the table for 30 days and all the requirements of the ordinance have been met to approve license.

Mr. Marion Davis made a motion to approve the beer, wine and liquor on premises consumption license for Jalen's Inc. upon all requirements having been met.

Mr. Bruce Young seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote.

APPROVE 2020 DELINQUENT UTILITY ACCOUNTS

Mayor Lee Gowen stated the accounts are over one year old and need to be approved as uncollectable for audit purposes. The balance on these accounts can still be collected should a customer request utility service in the future.

Mr. Bruce Young made a motion to approve the 2020 delinquent utility accounts in the amount of \$21,809.89 as presented. Mrs. Ruby Baker seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote.

APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENT:

Mayor Lee Gowen stated the amendments are due to funds that were received in the year 2021 and the invoices were received and paid in the year 2022.

Mr. Jim Gowen made a motion to approve the budget amendments for fiscal year 2021 and 2022 as presented. Mr. Marion Davis seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Mrs. Elaine Bailey stated the Martin Luther Kings, Jr. celebration had to be canceled due to the weather and would be combined with the Black History program on Sunday, February 27, 2022. The program will be held at the high school gym at 4:00 pm, everyone is invited to attend.

Mr. Jim Gowen stated there was a large crowd at the basketball game Friday, February 18, everything went well, he commended Chief Green and the police department. Mayor Lee Gowen commended Chief Green and the officers for the good job of security provided during all of the games throughout the season.

ADJOURN

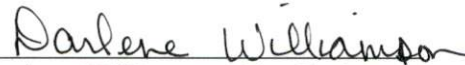
Mr. Rob Roberson made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Bruce Young seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote.

The meeting closed at 6:50 pm.

ATTEST:



Lee Gowen, Mayor



Darlene Williamson, City Clerk

City of Folkston

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Dana OQuinn
Elaine Bailey

FY 2021
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CITY OF FOLKSTON
UPDATE BUDGET CHANGES

					2021 BUDGET
<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>CHANGE NUMBER</u>	<u>CURRENT BUDGET</u>	<u>BUDGET CHANGE</u>	<u>AMENDED BUDGET</u>
Revenue					
100					
100-00000-334162 DOT/LMIG PROGRAM	12/31/2021	16224	52,127.00	114,031.00	166,158.00
Total for 100			52,127.00	114,031.00	166,158.00
Total for Revenue			52,127.00	114,031.00	166,158.00
Expenditure					
100					
100-01510-541411 TSPLOST /TOWER ST	12/31/2021	16225	0.00	461,101.00	461,101.00
100-01510-541412 TSPLOST 25%	12/31/2021	16226	50,000.00	-50,000.00	0.00
100-01510-558072 LMIG / DOT GRANT	12/31/2021	16227	57,375.00	-30,157.00	27,218.00
Total for 100			107,375.00	380,944.00	488,319.00
Total for Expenditure			107,375.00	380,944.00	488,319.00
Grand Total			159,502.00	494,975.00	654,477.00

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					2022 Budget
<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>CHANGE NUMBER</u>	<u>CURRENT BUDGET</u>	<u>BUDGET CHANGE</u>	<u>AMENDED BUDGET</u>
Expenditure					
100					
100-01510-541413 LMIG/ MAIN ST	2/14/2022	16231	0.00	190,124.00	190,124.00
100-01510-541414 LMIG/ DIXIE LAKE RD	2/14/2022	16233	0.00	63,241.00	63,241.00
100-01510-558072 LMIG / DOT GRANT	2/14/2022	16232	63,241.00	-63,241.00	0.00
Total for 100			63,241.00	190,124.00	253,365.00
Total for Expenditure			63,241.00	190,124.00	253,365.00
Grand Total			63,241.00	190,124.00	253,365.00