

**Minutes
CITY OF FOLKSTON
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
September 18, 2023**

The Mayor and Council of the City of Folkston met in regular session on September 18, 2023 at City Hall.

Mayor Lee 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
Rob Roberson
Bruce Young

Members Absent: Marion Davis Jr.
Jim Gowen

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

Visitors: Elaine Bailey

AGENDA

Mr. Bruce Young made a motion to approve the agenda as presented.

Mrs. Ruby Baker seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote.

MINUTES

Mr. Rob Roberson made a motion to approve the minutes for the Regular Meeting, August 21, 2023 as presented. Mr. Bruce Young 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 August, 2023 as presented. Mr. Rob Roberson seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Chief Wesley Green stated the police department filed 40 incident reports, investigated 12 accidents and answered 1,419 calls during the month of August 2023. The police department collected \$14,020.00 in fines and forfeitures; the city's portion is \$11,596.30.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

Mr. Lloyd stated the water rate study has been approved and sent to GEFA. The Raceway service station is scheduled to open in November, 2023. The street sweeper is not working, not sure for how long. The budget for 2024 is 95% complete, hope to have it completed by October meeting.

RACEWAY / BEER WINE APPLICATION

Mayor Lee Gowen stated the Raceway service station located at 5042 Second Street, has submitted a beer and wine application dated August 29, 2023. The application will remain on the table for 30 days and will need to be approved during the October regular meeting.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Mayor Lee Gowen informed the council that he has received a letter of resignation from Mr. Jim Gowen. He was not able to find housing inside the city limits after selling his home. (Letter Attached)
The position will remain vacant until a special election in 2024.

Mrs. Ruby Baker gave an update on the luncheon held by GEO at the training facility.

ADJOURN:

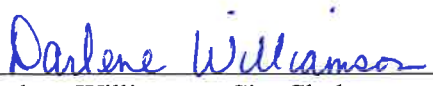
Mr. Rob Roberson made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Bruce Young seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote.

The meeting adjourned at 6:50 PM.



Lee Gowen, Mayor

ATTEST:



Darlene Williamson, City Clerk