

**Minutes
CITY OF FOLKSTON
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
February 17, 2025**

The Mayor and Council of the City of Folkston met in regular session on February 17, 2025 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
Marion Davis Jr.
Rick Carter
Rob Roberson
Bruce Young

Members Absent:

Also Present: Leonard H. Lloyd, City Manager
Darlene Williamson, City Clerk
Wesley Green, Police Chief
Leta Carter, Assistant Clerk
Patrick Brooks, City Attorney

Visitors: Glenn Hull, County Administrator; Melodey Martindale, Okefenokee Chamber;
Bill Masey; Elaine Bailey and Scott Kidd

Mayor Lee Gowen welcomed the guest.

AGENDA

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

MINUTES

Mr. Marion Davis made a motion to approve the minutes for the Regular Meeting, January 13, 2025 as presented. Mr. Rob Roberson seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote.

APPROVE INCOME AND EXPENSE STATEMENTS

Mrs. Ruby Baker made a motion to approve the income and expense statements for January, 2025 as presented. Mr. Rick Carter seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Chief Wesley Green stated the police department filed 32 incident reports, investigated 10 accidents and answered 1197 calls during the month of January, 2025.

The police department collected \$11,096.00 in fines and forfeitures; the city's portion is \$8,948.19.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

Mr. Lloyd stated the bid documents are being prepared for the 2025 LMIG projects, resurfacing of Sixth Street from HWY 40 to Third Street and Martin Street from Eighth Street to Sixth Street.

APPROVE RESOLUTION / GMA-GIRMA FIRST RESPONDER PTSD PROGRAM

Mr. Lloyd stated a new law came into effect on January 1, 2025 that requires entities to provide and maintain sufficient insurance coverage on each of its volunteer and employee first responders to provide treatment and disability income benefits for covered post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) conditions resulting from a traumatic event.

Mr. Marion Davis made a motion to approve the Resolution for the GMA-GIRMA First Responder PTSD Benefits Program as presented. Mr. Bruce Young seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote.

APPROVE PATROL CAR EQUIPMENT BIDS

Mr. Lloyd stated the city received two bids for the patrol car equipment;

Mobile Communications America -Waycross, Georgia - \$11,531.00

McLaggan Communications & Radar Service – Hahira, Georgia - \$20,284.00

The bid from Mobile Communications did not meet the specs. They did not include the camera and the reflective graphics on the car.

Mr. Lloyd recommended the bid from McLaggan Communications be approved.

Mr. Bruce Young made a motion to approve the bid from McLaggan Communications in the amount of \$20,284.00 as presented. Mr. Rob Roberson seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote.

GENERAL DISCUSSION:

Chamber director, Melodey Martindale gave an update on her trip to the Okefenokee Occasion in Atlanta.

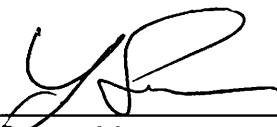
Bill Masey stated his concerns about dogs in his neighborhood. He then continued with complaints about loud music and vehicles speeding in his area.

Glenn Hull, county administrator introduced himself to the council and stated he looked forward to working with the city.

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 6:55 PM.



Lee Gowen, Mayor

ATTEST:



Darlene Williamson, City Clerk

City of Folkston

Regular Monthly Meeting

February 17, 2025

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Sign In

GLENN HULL

BILL Massey

Melody

Elaine Bailey

Scott Kidd

**A RESOLUTION TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THE GEORGIA INTERLOCAL RISK
MANAGEMENT AGENCY (GIRMA) AND
PARTICIPATE IN ONE OR MORE OF GIRMA'S FUNDS**

WHEREAS, Article 9, Section 3, Paragraph 1 of the Constitution of Georgia authorizes municipalities and other political subdivisions to contract with each other for activities which the contracting parties are authorized by law to undertake; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 85 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated authorizes certain public entities to execute intergovernmental contracts to become members of an interlocal risk management agency for the purpose of sharing their accident, disability, supplemental medical, general liability, motor vehicle and property damage risks in whole or in part; and

WHEREAS, municipalities within Georgia have found it increasingly difficult to obtain commercial insurance protection, and have found the costs of such protection often exceeds the ability of a public entity to pay; and

WHEREAS, public entities in Georgia need a stable method for managing their risks to avoid the unpredictable and cyclical nature of the commercial insurance market; and

WHEREAS, many Georgia public entities do not have sufficient resources to self-insure their risks on an individual basis; and

WHEREAS, the Public Entity of CITY OF FOLKSTON ("Public Entity"), located in CHARLTON County, Georgia, desires to become a Member of the Georgia Interlocal Risk Management Agency ("GIRMA"), an interlocal risk management agency formed pursuant to Chapter 85 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated; and

WHEREAS, the intergovernmental contract requires all members of GIRMA to participate in at least one GIRMA Fund; and

WHEREAS, the governing authority of Public Entity has reviewed the intergovernmental contract, the Fund Election Form, and the bylaws of GIRMA and finds that the goals of GIRMA and the obligations imposed on Public Entity by membership in GIRMA and the Fund or Funds selected on the Fund Election Form are in accordance with the philosophy and public policy objectives of this community; and

WHEREAS, the governing authority of Public Entity finds that it is in the best interest of its residents to become a member of GIRMA and to join the Fund or Funds selected on the Fund Election Form;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the governing authority of Public Entity:

1. The MAYOR of Public Entity is authorized to execute the intergovernmental contract required for Public Entity to become a Member of GIRMA and the GIRMA Fund(s) marked in the Election Form. A copy of the intergovernmental contract and bylaws of GIRMA and the completed Fund Election Form are attached and made part of this resolution as Appendix 1.
2. The powers of GIRMA shall be limited to those contained in the documents attached as Appendix 1, as amended from time to time, and those contained in Chapter 85 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated and the rules and regulations of the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Georgia.

3. The commencement of operations and the continuing operations of GIRMA and the obligation of Public Entity to fully participate in such operations shall be effectuated in accordance with the intergovernmental contract and bylaws and the Fund Election Form.
4. The MAYOR of Public Entity is designated as Public Entity's representative to GIRMA, and is authorized to complete and execute any additional documents required for membership in GIRMA or the selected Fund or Funds.
5. Public Entity may change its representative by making a written request to Georgia Municipal Association, Inc., the Program Administrator for GIRMA.
6. This resolution shall be effective on the date of adoption.

Adopted this 17th day of FEB., 2025

CITY OF FOLKSTON

(Name of Public Entity)

By: LEE GOWEN, MAYOR

[Print Name of Person Authorized to Sign Resolutions, Title]

Attest: DARLENE WILLIAMSON, CITY CLERK

[Print Name of Person Authorized to Attest, Title]



McLaggan Communications & Radar Service Inc.

70 Giddens Rd.
Hahira, GA 31632

Phone # 2298968205
Fax # 229-896-2235

Estimate

Date	Estimate #
2/7/2025	6706

Customer
Folkston Police Department 541 First St. Folkston, GA 31537

Item	Description	Qty	Rate	Total
RLNT48J-01CC	2023 Dodge Charger Reliant-S2 Low Profile LED Lightbar (All 3 Color Red/Blue/White Front, Red/Blue/Amber Rear)	1	1,095.00	1,095.00
PF200	Pathfinder PF200 Siren Pkg (Includes PF200, ES100C Spkr, and Universal Spkr Bracket)	1	920.00	920.00
OBOCABLE	OBD Cable for Pathfinder Vehicle Interface	1	125.00	125.00
MPS62U-**	MicroPulse Ultra 6, Dual Color, Clear lens Color: Blue/White (4 on front and 1 on either side of pushbumper, 2 on tag)	6	109.00	654.00
425-6636	Console Contour, Charger 11+ with Dual ABS Cup Holder (16" FP)	1	340.00	340.00
425-3692	Raised Microphone Bracket	1	15.00	15.00
425-6260	Arm Rest - Upper Structure	1	51.00	51.00
475-0802	Space Creator Prisoner Partition - High Security/High Visibility (includes Center HSEP ONLY)	1	675.00	675.00
475-0412	Lower Extension Panels for 475-0802	1	65.00	65.00
475-0228	Vertical Window Armor for use with OEM/ABS Door Panels	1	175.00	175.00
NSR-9924XL	Xtreme Lumens Polymer Multi-Function Rechargeable Duty/Personal-Size LED Dual-Light - Black	1	135.00	135.00
BR930	3 hole outlet box w/ on off switch and breaker	1	18.00	18.00
QW-152	152-162 Mhz chrome quarter wave antenna	1	12.00	12.00
NMOKHFUD25	Antenna cable, 9-6000 MHZ 25 FT	1	25.00	25.00
38332	mini UHF male crimp-RG58	1	4.00	4.00
NX-5700K	NX-5700K VHF (136-174MHz), 50 Watts NXDN Conventional	1	955.00	955.00
Westin	Westin PIT Bumper with 2 LED front light channel, Lower PIT Wraps, and Upper Headlight Loop	1	1,195.00	1,195.00
RP-1 -833	Kustom Raptor Dual K band antennas,...Same direction & fastest software, antenna mounts & tuning forks	1	1,750.00	1,750.00
graphics package	reflective graphics package for car	1	900.00	900.00

All credit card transactions will be subject to a 3.99% transaction fee.

Subtotal

Sales Tax (0.0%)

Total



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I-Pro	I-Pro In-Car Video System, Pano Front Cam and VCR40-AI Back Seat Cam, Sharkfin - Blk, ARB-M90 Belt Pack Mic, Years 4 & 5 Extended Warranty, and 1 yr On-Prem Device License	1	8,900.00	8,900.00
425-8103	Trunk Tray Charger 11+	1	500.00	500.00
Misc Install Parts	wire, connectors, fuses, fuse holders, loom, screws, bolts, misc materials (Coax and RF connectors not included)	1	75.00	75.00
Install	Install labor -Install equipment listed above NOTE: - ALL equipment is equal to or greater then bid spec.	1	1,700.00	1,700.00
All credit card transactions will be subject to a 3.99% transaction fee.		Subtotal \$20,284.00		
		Sales Tax (0.0%) \$0.00		
		Total \$20,284.00		



Mobile
Communications
America

MOBILE COMMUNICATIONS AMERICA
2500 MEMORIAL DR
WAYCROSS, GA 31503
Phone: 912-283-5173
Fax: 912-285-5156

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Date: 02/03/2025		Customer #: 113276		Terms: NET 30 DAYS		
Qty	Item	Description	U/M	Unit Price	Extended	
2023 Dodge Charger						
1	*MISC-NONSTOCK	RLNT48J-01BB	EA	1,178.00	1,178.00	
1	HKB-LPCHGR11-HP	Hook required with hook-on mount, 44-, 45-, 46-, 48-inch light bars, Dodge Charger, 2011-	EA	0.00	0.00	
8	MPS62U-BW	DC FS-JOIN MPS600 BLUE/WHITE	EA	135.00	1,080.00	
1	S-75861	STINGER DS HPL 120V AC	EA	162.00	162.00	
1	PF200	PATHFINDER SIREN LIGHT CONTROLLER	EA	1,005.00	1,005.00	
1	ES100C	Speaker, ES100C/DynaMax, 100W, High Output, Compact, Class A	EA	0.00	0.00	
1	ESB-U	KIT, ES100 UNIVERSAL BAIL BRACKET	EA	0.00	0.00	
1	PRPSP5604C11A	11+ Charger Space Save Partition	EA	905.00	905.00	
1	14.0553	ABL TRIPLE 12V OUTLET BOX	EA	23.00	23.00	
1	AAM28JQN9WA1AN-STD-P	XPR 5550E 136-174M 45W GOB GNSS CFS BT/WIFI CD Package	EA	1,174.00	1,174.00	
1	AAM28JQN9WA1AN-STD	XPR 5550E 136-174M 45W GOB GNSS CFS BT/WIFI CD	EA	0.00	0.00	
1	RAPTOR RP1	RAPTOR RP1	EA	2,130.00	2,130.00	
1	C-VS-2500-CHGR-2	HAVIS CONSOLE 25"	EA	400.00	400.00	
1	CUP2-1001	Self-Adjusting Double Cup Holder	EA	51.00	51.00	
1	C-ARM-103	ARM-103 Armrest Top Mt Lg	EA	130.00	130.00	
1	WK0513CGR11	WINDOW BARRIER STEEL 11+ CHGR	EA	279.00	279.00	
1	36-2035	WESTIN PUSH BUMPER ELITE	EA	410.00	410.00	
1	36-2035PB	WESTIN PIT BAR ELITE	EA	400.00	400.00	
1	36-2035W	WESTIN WING WRAP ELITE	EA	279.00	279.00	
1	36-6005F4MP	4-Light Top Channel for Westin Push Bump	EA	40.00	40.00	

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Qty	Item	Description	U/M	Unit Price	Extended
1	S&H	SHIPPING/HANDLING	EA	195.00	195.00
1	VI-FR-INST	VEHICLE INSTALL FLAT RATE	EA	1,690.00	1,690.00

Accepted By: _____ **Date:** _____

Please contact customer representative by phone or email with any questions:

Customer Rep: Alex Doke

Phone #:

Email: alexdoke@callmc.com

Subtotal : \$11,531.00
Tax : \$0.00
Total Quote : \$11,531.00

Quote Valid for 30 Days.

Warranties included with the sale of equipment are manufacturer warranties that do not include local services performed by MCA. MCA offers coverage for local services including, but not limited to facilitating warranty repairs with the manufacturer, firmware upgrades, and programming for an additional cost at the time of purchase.

Effective August 1, 2018, all credit card payments are subject to a 2% convenience fee

All orders are subject to partial shipment and partial invoice

Tax calculations provided are estimates and are subject to change.