

At the Regular Council Meeting held on the above date the following members were present:

Mayor: Horace Hudgins
City Council: Mona Paulk, Patrice Y.W. Manley, Lemora Moses,
Steven Hudson, and Claire Clayton-Stone
City Clerk: Lucile Middlebrooks
Police Chief: Billy Hancock
Fire Chief: Will Towson
Public Works Director: Corneilus Hall
City Attorney: Warren Mixon
Standards and Compliance Director: Joe Saxon

- First: Mayor Horace Hudgins called the meeting to order and determined a quorum, prayer by Councilwoman Patrice Y.W. Manley, and then the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was pledged and spoken by everyone.
- Second: Mayor Horace Hudgins called for a motion to adopt the Agenda for Tuesday, May 3, 2022
Motion by Councilman Lemora Moses and 2nd by Councilman Steven Hudson to adopt the Agenda for Tuesday, May 3, 2022
All in favor say I – Voted 5 yes; Opposes none - Motion carries unanimously.
- Third: Mayor Horace Hudgins called for a motion for the approval and adopting of the Minutes from the Regular Meeting of April 5, 2022 and the Minutes from the Called Meeting of April 26, 2022.
Motion by Councilwoman Patrice Y.W. Manley and 2nd by Councilman Lemora Moses for the approval and adopting of the Minutes from the Regular Meeting of April 5, 2022 and the Minutes from the Called Meeting of April 26, 2022.
All in favor say I -Voted 5 yes; Opposes none – Motion carries unanimously.
- Fourth: Ocilla Downtown Development Authority Recommendation
Mayor Horace Hudgins read the recommendation from the Ocilla Downtown Development Authority to appoint Mr. John Graham to the Ocilla Downtown Development Authority Board.
Mayor Horace Hudgins called for a motion.

Motion by Councilwoman Mona Paulk and 2nd by Councilwoman Claire Clayton-Stone to accept the recommendation to appoint Mr. John Graham to the Ocilla Downtown Development Authority Board.

All in favor raise your hand – Voted 5 yes; Oppose none – Motion carries unanimously.

Fifth: Presentation of New Budget for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2023
Mayor Horace Hudgins stated that the Council has received and reviewed the Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2023. The Council must vote to advertised the budget. A public hearing will be held and the budget will be voted on at the next Council Meeting.

Mayor Horace Hudgins called for a motion.
Motion by Councilwoman Claire Clayton-Stone and 2nd by Councilman Steven Hudson to advertise the Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2023
All in favor raise your hand – Voted 4 yes; Opposes One (Councilwoman Mona Paulk) – Motion carries.

Sixth: Executive Session when necessary
No executive session held.

Seventh: Reports from Committees

District 1 Councilwoman Mona Paulk did not have anything to report.

District 2 Councilwoman Patrice Y.W. Manley stated that we need to get back to working on the Neighborhood Center and Community House; and paving Oak Street close to Seventh Street; and need to repair water line on Seventh.

District 3 Councilman Lemora Moses stated that he and Mayor Hudgins started the first initiative working on the parks.

District 4 Councilman Steven Hudson stated that South Ash Street needs paving.

District 5 Councilwoman Claire Clayton-Stone stated the pothole on 3rd and Beech Street continuously needs work; there are dogs running loose in yards and in Cumbee Park. She asked about the electrical power at the old Elementary School for Prater Music Fest will be May 5 – 7, 2022.

Mayor Horace Hudgins stated that the power will be on tomorrow and turned off Monday.

Councilman Lemora Moses introduced Mrs. Ruth Burch to speech on behalf of the Northwest Cemetery Committee. Mrs. Burch stated that the entrance needs some gravel and the grave markers need to be replaced.

Mrs. Lillian Talton and her sister requested that Nineth Street between Lincoln and McKinley Streets be name Rev. Elford Talton Street after their father. She stated that it was published in the Ocilla Star but nothing ever happened. Mayor Hudgins stated that we must research this.

Ms. Diane Anderson requested help to find her mother Ms. Ella Anderson temporary housing while her home is being renovated through the CHIP Grant Program.

Mr. Waymond Harris stated that someone dumped clothes out of a trash can in College Hill Park.

Mr. Tony Johnson of Frank Road stated that he has been having water issues in his yard. The water does not flow. He is requesting more help from the City. This needs to be taking care of before any paving is done.

Ms. Arlinda Murrell stated that the drainage at 519 E 6th Street and 600 E 5th Street should be corrected. Along with the gas leak at her mother's house. The Old Day Care on Oak Street needs to be maintained.

Mr. Billy Leverett stated the Street Sweeper vibrates and need maintenance.

Eighth: Mayor Horace Hudgins called for a motion to adjourn.
Motion by Councilman Lemora Moses and 2nd by Councilman Steven Hudson to adjourn the meeting.
All in favor say I – Voted 5 yes; Opposes none – Motion carries unanimously.

MEETING ADJOURNED:

MAYOR HORACE HUDGINS

CITY CLERK LUCILE MIDDLEBROOKS