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# May 14, 2024 **Council Meeting @6:00 PM Council Chambers**

## **PRESENT**

Mayor Barry Whitley Mayor Pro Tem Ed Guinn Councilperson Glenn Harris Councilperson Jacob Hopkins Councilperson Rodrick Flowers (Councilperson Deborah Williams was absent)

**INVOCATION**: Mayor Pro Tem Ed Guinn

**OPENING STATEMENT:** Vicki Wainwright

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

## Approval of the April 9th Regular Council Meeting and Work Session Minutes:

A motion to accept and approve the minutes of the March 12th, 2024 Regular Council Meeting and Work Session Minutes was made by Councilmember Jacob Hopkins and a second was made by Councilmember Rodrick Flowers. The vote was unanimous. (Councilperson Deborah Williams was absent)

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

#### **Library Board Appointment:**

Amy Lowe has agreed to fulfill the term vacated by Brian Litch on the Taylor County Library Board. Ms. Lowe will fill the term that will expire on June 30, 2026. A motion to appoint Ms. Lowe was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Ed Guinn and seconded by Councilmember Jacob Hopkins. The vote was unanimous. (Councilperson Deborah Williams was absent.)



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#### **Butler Public Library Summer Reading Program (Jennifer Domenech):**

Ms. Domenech came before the Mayor and Council to inform them of the summer reading program that the library holds each year, which will be held May 28<sup>th</sup> through July 13<sup>th</sup>. She stated that the summer reading program is not just for children it is for all ages. She told them that two of the most popular programs will be Jason Clark with Southeastern Reptile Rescue, who will bring his reptiles in to show and talk about. She also said that Ken Scott will be at the library with his magic show that is also popular with all ages. She said that you can register for the summer reading program online or through the Beanstack app.

Ms. Domenech also thanked the City of Butler staff for having the wall in the library repaired.

### DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

**Public Works Director David Windham** reminded the Mayor and Council that the office will be closed on Monday, May 27<sup>th</sup> for Memorial Day. Garbage pickup for that week will run a day behind schedule. He also informed them that the staff plans to get the water bills out a couple of days early to see if that will help in the bills getting to the customer sooner.

Mr. Windham also told the Mayor and Council that the building that houses the sewer jet needs to be insulated during the winter due to the nature of the machine. He said last winter that the city used quite a bit of propane to keep the uninsulated building heated. He asked the Mayor and Council for approval to use SPLOST funds to insulate the building with spray foam in the amount of approximately \$9,000.00. A motion to approve the use of SPLOST funds to insulate the building (shed) with spray foam was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Ed Guinn and a second was made by Councilmember Glenn Harris. The vote was unanimous. (Councilmember Deborah Williams was absent)

Chief of Police Matthew Woodard said that the Butler Police Department are continuing to do property checks.



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**Fire Coordinator Eddie Moulton** said that the Butler Fire Department ran 19 calls last month. He also said that the Butler Fire Department is having a Fire Fighter 1 class that just started. There are eleven fire fighters in the class, with seven of them being from the Butler Fire Department.

He informed them that the Georgia Fire Fighters Standards and Training have a new, updated system that he is having to learn.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Mayor Whitley announced that the Council would be entering into an executive session to discuss personnel. A motion to enter into an executive session was made by Councilmember Rodrick Flowers and a second was made by Councilmember Jacob Hopkins, The vote was unanimous. (*Councilmember Deborah Williams was absent*)

(Regular Session: Continued)

### **ADJOURN**

There was no more business to discuss, so Mayor Whitley announced there would be a short work session immediately following the regular meeting. A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilperson Jacob Hopkins and a second was made by Councilperson Rodrick Flowers. The vote was unanimous. (Councilmember Deborah Williams was absent)

| Mayor Barry Whitley | ATTEST |  |
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