

Dublin City Hall
February 6, 2025

The regular meeting of the Mayor and Council was held at Dublin City Hall, on Thursday, February 6, 2025 at 5:30 P.M.

Mayor Pro Tem Sara Kolbie called the meeting to order. Council members Bill Brown, Bennie Jones, Tess Godfrey, Paul Griggs, and Rich Mascaro were present. Mayor Joshua Kight and Councilman Chris Smith was absent. The invocation was given followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Mayor Pro Tem Kolbie read a commendation for Don Avery, former CEO of Fairview Park Hospital, who recently passed away.

Chairman of Council Bennie Jones presented the Families of Dr. Benjamin Daniel ("BD") Perry and Johnnie B. Hall acknowledgements for both of those individuals being selected by the Black History Banner Committee for new banners this year.

Chairman of Council Bennie Jones also presented service awards to:

Eric Cunningham, a Corporal in the Police Department, has been working for 10 years with the city;
Michael Watkins, a Collector in Sanitation, has been working for 20 years with the city; and
Scottie Poole, Captain in the Fire Department, has been working for 30 years with the city.

APPROVAL OF THE JANUARY 16, 2025 COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made by Councilman Mascaro and seconded by Councilman Griggs to approve the minutes. The motion carried 5/0.

APPROVAL OF BILLS OVER \$15,000

A motion was made by Councilman Griggs and was seconded by Councilman Brown to approve the following bills. The motion carried 5/0.

CHECK#	DATE	PAYMENT TO	PURCHASE	AMOUNT
42948	1/10/25	Dixie Lawn and Landscaping Inc.	Landscaping and Lawncare for Parks	25,002.00
42943	1/10/25	Carl Black Chevrolet Buick GMC	FY 2025 Vehicles Purchases	28,390.00
42976	1/10/25	Ryland Oil Company	Restock Fuel	28,383.90
42967	1/10/25	Laurens County Library	Annual Appropriations	20,182.93
42942	1/10/25	C.E. Garbutt Construction Co.	GMP Northside Fire Station	384,616.37
42983	1/10/25	Thomas & Hutton Engineering Co.	Madison/Church St./East Jackson St.	52,426.30
42980	1/10/25	Teen Challenge	Liter Pickup	16,530.00
42941	1/10/25	Beck Auto Sales Inc.	FY 2025 Vehicles Purchases	70,848.00
42954	1/10/25	Dublin-Laurens Land Bank	Purchase of 6 Lots on Elk Street	27,500.00
42945	1/10/25	Carter & Sloope Engineering	Industrial Sewer Observation Services	25,511.25
43015	1/15/25	Nichols, Cauley, & Associates LLC	Financial Audit Ending June 30 24	23,500.00
42990	1/15/25	A&H Services	Madison Street Underground Fiber/New Install	109,216.50

43054	1/17/25	C.E. Garbutt Construction Co.	Shamrock Fire Station Renovation	75,903.35
43055	1/17/25	C.E. Garbutt Construction Co.	Oconee Gym Renovation Project	501,410.18
43078	1/17/25	Paul S. Akins Company	Sanitation & Water Construction Renovation	142,631.21
43056	1/17/25	Carl Black Chevrolet Buick GMC	FY 2025 Vehicles Purchases	274,362.00
43063	1/17/25	GA Power Company	Utilities	95,517.05
43081	1/17/25	Ryland Oil Company	Restock Fuel	29,336.93
MGAGDec24	1/21/25	Municipal Gas Authority of Georgia	Gas Purchase	781,419.06
DFT0002644	1/22/25	Department of Revenue	Payroll Payables	21,660.04
DFT0002645	1/22/25	Internal Revenue Service	Payroll Payables	132,861.30
43095	1/22/25	City of Dublin-Self Insurance Fund	Insurance	115,170.98
Total:				\$2,982,379.35

APPROVAL OF PURCHASES OVER \$15,000

There were no purchases for council consideration.

PRESENTATION OF THE FY2024 ANNUAL COMPREHENSIVE FINANCIAL REPORT BY GREGORY M. CHAPMAN OF NICHOLS, CAULEY & ASSOCIATES, LLC

Greg Chapman, Partner with Nichols, Cauley & Associates, LLC presented the FY 2024 report on the city's finances for the fiscal year ending June, 30, 2024. The city received an unmodified opinion (clean) of our Financial Statements for FY'24.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE #25-01 TO REZONE 16.85 ACRES OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT PARCEL 101B 087 FROM P (PROFESSIONAL) ZONE TO R3 (MULTI FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) ZONE

City Manager Powell read ordinance #25-01 rezoning 16.85 acres, more or less, of property located at 2778 ga HWY 257, parcel 101B 087 Dublin, GA from P (Professional) zone to R3 (multifamily residential) zone. Proposed use is as transitional housing. Mayor Pro Tem Kolbie announced that the second reading and public hearing will be held on February 20, 2025 at 12:30 PM.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON RESOLUTION #25-05 FOR THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO LENTILE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY FOR THE SURFACE WATER PLANT RENOVATION PROJECT.

City Manager Powell read resolution #25-05 authorizing the City Manager to negotiate a contract for the repair and renovation of the surface water plant with Lentile Construction Company pursuant to request for proposal #24-1115-01. Staff requested proposals from firms to provide renovations to the Surface Water Plant Lab. This was originally an ARPA funded project, but has been converted it to be funded with 2024 SPLOST. The total project cost (including items outside of the scope of this award) is \$225,000. There is \$175,009.79 remaining (after the Window replacement that was awarded in December, and a mini-split A/C unit was purchased). After reviewing the two responsive proposals, the recommendation is to award the project to Lentile Construction from Dublin. The project cost is \$182,176 and includes renovation of the office space and laboratory with updated and more stable cabinetry and fixtures. Staff's recommendation was to approve the resolution to

authorize the contract with Lentile Construction for this project. This will be paid out of Account #322-4430-541300 ('24 SPLOST Fund - Building and Building Improvements). Councilman Jones made a motion to approve the resolution and seconded by Councilwoman Godfrey. The motion carried 5/0 to approve.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON RESOLUTION #25-06 APPROVING THE TERMS & CONDITIONS OF THE 2025 HEAT GRANT

City Manager Powell read resolution #25-06 to approve and accept the terms and conditions for the Governor's Office of Highway Safety H.E.A.T. Grant Award. The Police Department applied for and has been notified we've been awarded the Governor's Office of Highway Safety H.E.A.T. ("Highway Enforcement of Aggressive Traffic") Grant. The total of the award is \$279,991, of which \$118,776 represents budgeted items that will now be covered by the grant. Reimbursement through the grant requires approval of the terms and conditions for the grant by the governing body of the City. The grant covers the base salary of two officers for hours working under the grant, the purchase of two vehicles, and related equipment (laptops, internet data, printers, paper, radars, and lidars.). The grant is for the remainder of this fiscal year until June 30, 2025. Councilman Griggs made a motion to approve the resolution and seconded by Councilman Jones. The motion carried 5/0 to approve.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON DECLARATION OF SURPLUS

The following vehicles, equipment and items are being submitted to Mayor and Council for surplus declaration:

Bush Hog - Water Plant
Straight Grader Blade - Water Plant
Lot of toilet bowls - City Hall
Lot of Scott SCBA and Cylinders - Fire Fighters
Unit #93 (Code Enforcement) - 2005 Ford Explorer, 139,346 miles
VIN #1FMZU72K05ZA76092
Unit #96 (Code Enforcement) - 2008 Chevrolet Trailblazer,
146,765 miles
VIN #1GNDS13S782216515
Unit #98 (Engineering) - 2007 Ford F-150, 211,200 miles
VIN #1FTRX12W87NA77237
Unit #100 (City Hall) - 2010 Chevrolet HHR, 65,034 miles
VIN #3GNBAADB7AS513142

Councilman Griggs made a motion to approve the items for surplus and seconded by Councilman Brown. The motion carried 5/0 to approve.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Jerome Pullin shared with council his concern about the procedures/process of communication from the gas department (lack of) not contracting them before starting work in his area.

Carla Wright Johnson spoke with council.

Vonda Morton spoke with council about Georgia History Month being in February.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

City Attorney Groover had no comment.

City Clerk Browning had no comment.

Councilman Brown congratulated all the employees that received service awards. Also thanked City Treasurer Blake Daniels and his staff for the job they do. Thanked Mr. Pullin for addressing council with his concern. Thanked the families for attending that were recognized for Black History Banner replicants.

Councilman Jones congratulated all the employees that received service awards. Thanked the families for attending that were recognized for Black History Banner replicants. Also thanked Mr. Daniels and his staff. Reminded the citizens that on February 20th at 12:00 PM at the Katherine Gray Resource Center there will be a food drive.

Councilwoman Godfrey thanked everyone for coming. Congratulated the families of the Black History Banners. Wished everyone love in the community for Valentine's Day.

Councilman Mascaro thanked everyone for coming. Thanked the citizens for their feedback. Congratulated the employees that received service awards.

Councilman Griggs thanked everyone for coming.

City Manager Powell had no comment.

Mayor Pro Tem Kolbie thanked everyone for coming out and sharing.


ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Pro Tem Kolbie adjourned the meeting at 6:16 P.M.



Sara Kolbie, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:



Heather M. Browning, City Clerk

