

Dublin City Hall  
July 18, 2024

The regular meeting of the Mayor and Council was held at Dublin City Hall, on Thursday, July 18, 2024 at 4:30 P.M.

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

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Mayor Pro-tem Tess Godfrey presented Tinesha Burns as Employee of the Fourth Quarter for 2023.

APPROVAL OF THE JUNE 20, 2024 COUNCIL MEETING

A motion was made by Councilman Griggs and seconded by Councilman Jones to approve the minutes. The motion carried 7/0.

APPROVAL OF BILLS OVER \$15,000

A motion was made by Councilman Smith and was seconded by Councilwoman Godfrey to approve the following bills. The motion carried 7/0.

CHECK#	DATE	PAYMENT TO	PURCHASE	AMOUNT
40814	6/21/24	Christian Engineering, LLC	Jarondon/Hilburn/Pritchett/Springdale Survey	31,960.00
MGAGMay24	6/21/24	Municipal Gas Authority of Georgia	Gas Purchase	797,569.37
40832	6/21/24	Georgia Interlocal Risk Management	GMA Invoice/Pollution Liability 2024	31,346.80
40860	6/21/24	Thomas & Hutton Engineering Co.	Engineering Services	47,303.55
40866	6/21/24	WasteEquip LLC	2024 Freightliner M2/Tymco/New Hyd. Unit403	289,894.34
40829	6/21/24	Family Ford Inc.	2024 Expedition	53,500.00
DFT0002220	6/25/24	Internal Revenue Service	Tax Payments	130,067.47
DFT0002221	6/25/24	Department of Revenue	Tax Payments	21,413.73
40874	6/26/24	Ryland Oil Company	Restock Fuel	22,735.52
40882	6/27/24	Cornerstone H2O LLC	Septage Receiving Station	67,080.00
RetirementJun24	6/27/24	GMEBS-Retirement Trust Fund	Insurance	155,537.67
40928	6/28/24	Garrett Industries, Inc.	Earlwood Traffic Calming Gate	16,000.00
40909	6/28/24	Delta Municipal Supply Co. Inc.	Gas Transmitter	22,770.00
40924	6/28/24	GA Power Company	Utilities	93,538.44
40887	6/28/24	American Tank Maintenance LLC	Clearwell Work for GWP SWP	21,959.00
40889	6/28/24	Arthur J. Gallagher Rick Mgt.	2024 Liability Insurance	45,059.80
41030	7/05/24	Paul S. Akins Company, Inc.	Renovation Sanitation/Water Const.	30,036.98
41034	7/05/24	RPI Underground, Inc.	Dublin Industrial Sewer Project	1,162,023.99
41040	7/05/24	T. Lake Environmental Design	FY 24 Landscaping Fees	18,274.43
41006	7/05/24	C.E. Garbutt Construction Co.	Shamrock Fire Station/Oconee Gym Renovation	107,499.88
41061	7/05/24	Synergistic Software, Inc	Annual Interop RMS/JMS Subscription	28,951.00
DFT0002250	7/09/24	Department of Revenue	Payroll Tax	22,274.96
DFT0002249	7/09/24	Internal Revenue Service	Payroll Tax	132,842.83
			<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ 3,349,639.76</b>

APPROVAL OF PURCHASES OVER \$15,000

There was one purchase for council consideration.

Crosswalk Signage Moore-Calhoun

Staff requested quotes for the installation of crosswalk signage for a pedestrian crosswalk at the intersection of Moore Street and Calhoun Street to provide for safe passage for those traveling to and from Stubbs Park on the North side of the park. This purchase is for the sign/lights and installation. It is a push-button activated sign system and is solar/battery powered. This is for two signs and advanced signs. When a pedestrian pushes the button, lights will flash on each side of Moore Street. City staff will be installing a concrete ramp and ADA pad at the location. The recommendation is to purchase the sign and installation from Moye Electric for \$17,200. This will be paid for out of TIA Discretionary Funds, Account 235-4224-541424. This was not specifically budgeted, but this is an appropriate use of TIA Discretionary funds and is something council has requested staff to do.

Councilman Jones made a motion to approve the purchase and seconded by Councilwoman Godfrey. The motion carried 7/0 for approval.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON RESOLUTION #24-32 TO APPROVE AN AGREEMENT WITH AXON FOR IN-CAR CAMERAS FOR PATROL VEHICLES

City Manager Powell read resolution #24-32 approving contract with Axon Enterprise, Inc. for a sixty-month service and equipment agreement concerning the Axon Fleet 3 cameras and equipment for the City of Dublin Police Department. Staff budgeted to replace the in-car cameras for patrol vehicles. The replacement is necessary due to issues with the current system and the server upgrade that is now required. Staff is recommending to purchase the new equipment and enter into a service agreement for the cameras and the required installation and maintenance. Axon will also provide the data backup on a cloud-based server for the videos. The contract includes the removal of the old systems from the vehicles and the installation of the new. The city will own the cameras and the cradle point router. These cameras will integrate and work with our existing Axon body cameras. With this purchase, all video (body camera and in-car video) taser logs, and device management will be in one location and within one software package. This is being paid for out of the police budget in Account #100-3223-542500 (Police - Patrol - Other Equipment). The total annual price is \$122,193.60, which is within the budget for FY'25. Councilwoman Kolbie made a motion to approve the resolution and seconded by Councilman Griggs. The motion carried 7/0 for approval.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON RESOLUTION #24-33 TO APPROVE AN AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH THOMAS & HUTTON ENGINEERING FOR CONSTRUCTION OBSERVATION SERVICES FOR MADISON STREETScape PROJECT

City Manager Powell read resolution #24-33 to approve Addendum No. 1 to a contract with Thomas & Hutton Engineering Co. for the improvement to Madison Street. Construction on the surface work

for the Madison Street Project being performed by Pride Construction is expected to begin soon. Their notice to proceed was last week. With that, construction observation and review work will be important to ensure the project is constructed to the specs and that all work is performed in accordance with the design. The resolution will authorize the engagement of Thomas and Hutton Engineering for construction observation and testing as needed for the anticipated term of the construction work. The estimated cost of this work is \$72,200 for a six-month construction time with 10 hours per week being included in that figure. There is \$20,485.98 remaining in the existing contract with T&H on the design of this Madison Street project, which will bring the additional cost (outside of what has already been budgeted) down to \$51,714.02. Staff's recommendation was to approve the resolution to authorize us to engage Thomas and Hutton for these services. This will be paid for out of TIA Discretionary Funds. The Account is 235-4221-541411. Councilman Brown made a motion to approve the resolution and seconded by Councilman Jones. The motion carried 7/0 for approval.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON RESOLUTION #24-34 TO AUTHORIZE THE ENGAGEMENT OF A LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT FOR CITY PARKS.

City Manager Powell read resolution #24-34 to authorize the City Manager to engage the services of a landscape architect for the design of Stubbs and Springdale Parks. The Parks Committee has provided input and consent to us engaging a Landscape Architect to design Stubbs Park and Springdale Park. These are professional services and due to the success, we've had with Oliver Seabolt (MLK, Jr. Monument Park; Jackson Plaza; Dublin Connect Multi-Modal Project), who works with Orion Planning & Design and is based out of Saint Simons Island, Georgia. This will allow us to take the concepts and have a fully designed park that we can then implement in phases. We plan to utilize some of the monies secured through the Department of Natural Resources because of the efforts of Representative Matt Hatchett. This will come from Fund 226. Councilman Griggs made a motion to approve the resolution and seconded by Councilwoman Godfrey. The motion carried 7/0 for approval.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON RESOLUTION #24-35 TO APPROVE A SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH ALTERRA NETWORKS FOR DATA BACKUP SUPPORT.

City Manager Powell read resolution #24-35 to approve an agreement with Alterra Networks for Data Backup Services. Our computer data is backed up by Alterra Networks who is the vendor for Datto Backup Solutions. This service is considered the gold standard and works well for our purposes. Datto is only sold through a registered partner and Alterra is that partner locally. This backs up our servers and some computers that have specialized software on them. Staff's recommendation was to approve the agreement with Alterra to continue with them for this service. The one-time cost included in the quote is for an updated appliance \$8,982.00 and the annual service cost is \$16,750.80. So, for this budget year, the cost is \$25,732.80 and for future service years (up to two additional years) it is \$16,750. This was budgeted and will be paid from account #100-1535-522202 - MIS - Software Support). Councilwoman Kolbie made a motion to approve the resolution and seconded by Councilman Mascaro. The motion carried 7/0 to approve.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON RESOLUTION #24-36 TO APPROVE AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE DUBLIN-LAURENS RECREATION AUTHORITY FOR FUNDING FOR SOUTHERN PINES WATER PARK CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS.

City Manager Powell read resolution #24-36 approving an Intergovernmental Agreement with The Dublin-Laurens County Recreation Authority for a five-year tiered funding of capital improvements for the Southern Pines Water Park. The agreement will terminate the existing water park agreement with the REC Authority and create a tiered funding over the next four years for capital improvements to the water park at Southern Pines. The funding levels are FY'25 - \$150,000; FY'26 - \$150,000; FY'27 - \$100,000; FY'28 - \$50,000. This is budgeted and will be paid from Account #100-6120-571004 (Dublin-Laurens Recreation Authority Appropriation). Councilman Mascaro made motion to approve the resolution and seconded by Councilman Smith. The motion carried 7/0 for approval.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON RESOLUTION #24-37 TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO APPROVE CONTRACTS FOR ADDRESSING UTILITY CONFLICTS ON THE INDUSTRIAL SEWER CONTRACT.

City Manager Powell read resolution #24-37 to authorize the City Manager to approve the engagement of contractors for the purpose of adjusting conflicting utilities as part of the Industrial Sewer Project. While the industrial sewer project has been ongoing, there have been three conflicts with city utilities identified that must be addressed. One is a 16" water line that was lower than expected, another is a water line that is 8" water line that was installed directly beside the existing sewer line, which is not typical, and the last is a 2" high pressure gas line that is still being investigated. In order to not delay the project any, staff would like the city manager to have authority to engage the services of a third-party contractor, if needed, to address these conflicts. This will be paid for with water fund dollars or utilize monies within the GEFA loan amount, to the extent they are available for this purpose. This was not budgeted. Councilman Griggs made a motion to approve the resolution and seconded by Councilman Brown. The motion carried 7/0 for approval.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON RESOLUTION #24-38 TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO APPROVE A CONTRACT WITH ABS, INC. FOR WASTEWATER TREATMENT SERVICES.

City Manager Powell read resolution #24-38 authorizing the City Manager to negotiate a contract for Biofermentation services for the Wastewater Treatment Plant with ABS, Inc. This treatment reduces the number of solids that have to be hauled to the landfill and also makes the treatment process easier. They have had great success with this and we find their product beneficial for our plant overall. The monthly cost is \$14,500, which is \$171,000 per year. This is a 12-month contract and we are negotiating the final terms now. The resolution will authorize the city manager to approve an agreement for the mayor to execute. Staff budgeted for this purchase and are looking to potentially add additional services with them to help the plant further. The total budgeted for technical services is \$210,000, which is where this is paid. Account #505-4335-521300. Councilwoman Kolbie made a motion to approve the

resolution and seconded by Councilman Jones. The motion carried 7/0 for approval.

#### DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON DECLARATION OF SURPLUS

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

2007 Ford Explorer Unit #87 (Building Inspections) (180,477 miles)  
VIN# 1FMEU63E77UB64851  
2007 Freightliner Street Sweeper Unit #304 (Public Works) (14,255  
miles) VIN# 1FVACXCS37HX58321  
1997 Ford F-700 Dump Truck Unit# 325 (Public Works) (205,585 miles)  
VIN# 1FDXF70J1VVA43704  
1985 GMC 7000 Dump Truck Unit# 503 (Gas) (55,983 miles) VIN#  
1GDM7D1G9FV515487  
1993 Chevrolet C2500 Crew Cab Unit# 548 (Gas) (149,681 miles) VIN#  
1GBGC24J5PE178136  
2002 Chevrolet Passenger Van Unit #63 (Golf) (181,624 miles) VIN#  
1GNFG15M321187567  
Lot of Water Meters & Fittings (Water Distribution) (21 water meters &  
10 fittings)  
Storage Building (Fire)  
Bad Boy 61" Zero Turn Lawn Mower Unit#1795 (Public Works) (639 hours)  
SN BRB6135KA07200039

Many of these items are not in usable condition and some have already been replaced with newer units. Upon declaration, items will be sold on GovDeals or sold for scrap. Councilman Griggs made a motion to approve the items for surplus and seconded by Councilman Mascaro. The motion carried 7/0 for approval.

#### CITIZEN COMMENTS

Jaqueline Wright spoke with council about Hub Dudley and the Confederate Monument

Vonda Morton acknowledged Mr. Jr. Scarboro and what he did as councilman for the City of Dublin. Also pledged to the Georgia Flag.

#### COUNCIL COMMENTS

City Attorney Groover had no comments.

City Clerk Browning had no comments.

Councilman Brown thanked everyone for coming. Prayers and thoughts to the family of former Councilman Jr. Scarboro.

Councilman Jones thanked everyone for coming and sent his condolences out to the Scarboro family. Congratulated Ms. Burns on being Employee of the Quarter. Reminded citizens to come to meetings and voice your opinion.

Councilwoman Godfrey thanked everyone for coming and gave a shout out to everyone watching via Facebook Live. Way to go to the Landbank and Sonya May Calvin and Cliff Crews, Purpledog and Tara Bradshaw and her staff for their hard work.

Councilwoman Kolbie stated that most of the agenda items were on unseen things, most of the time when we are looking around the community it seems like things are moving slow, but a lot of the things are behind the scenes or unground. All of these things are necessary for our community. Thanked the citizens for continuing to cheer the city on.

Councilman Griggs had no comments.

Councilman Smith thanked everyone for coming. Congratulated Ms. Burns for being Employee of the Quarter.

Councilman Mascaro had no comments.

City Manager Powell condolences to the Jr. Scarboro family.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Councilman Mascaro made a motion for adjournment to Execution Session to discuss Real Estate seconded by Councilman Brown. The motion carried 7/0 for approval.

No action was taken during Executive session, Councilman Jones made a motion to adjourned from Executive Session and reopen the council meeting and seconded by Councilman Brown. The motion carried 7/0 for approval. Mayor Kight adjourned the meeting at 6:35 P.M.

  
Joshua E. Kight, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Heather M. Browning, City Clerk

