

**CITY OF HIRAM COUNCIL MEETING  
REGULAR SESSION SUMMARY MINUTES  
Tuesday, October 3, 2023**



**Councilmembers in Attendance:** Mayor Frank Moran, Mayor Pro Tem Teresa Philyaw, Councilmember Kathy Bookout, Councilmember Melissa R. Bayardelle, Councilmember Derrick Battle, Councilmember Doris Devey.

**Staff in Attendance:** Jody Palmer, Tom Cable, Melissa Chosewood, Chief Michael Turner, Clifford McGrady, Leo Parker, Kathie Stancil, Jennifer Prater, and Isabella Orr.

**The Regular Session for October 3, 2023 was called to order by Mayor Frank Moran at 6:00pm in the Municipal Annex.**

- Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance by Pastor Clifford McGrady.
- Kathie Stancil and Jennifer Prater received the GMA Health & Wellness Grant on behalf of the City of Hiram for 2024.
- The Red Ribbon Week Proclamation was rescheduled for the October 24, 2023 Work Session.
- Approved minutes from the September 5, 2023 Regular Session and the September 26, 2023 Work Session.
- Approved the Consent Agenda:
  - Authorizing the purchase and financing of Taser 10 devices for the Hiram Police Department from Axon Enterprise Inc., in 5 annual payments of \$24,647.00, for a total amount not to exceed \$123,234.96, to be funded by Police SPLOST.
  - Granting permission for the Police Department to use the following facilities for the Faith and Blue Weekend from Friday, October 6 to Monday, October 9, 2023: Rear Parking Lot of City Hall, Ben Hill Strickland Sr. Memorial Park Basketball Courts, Gray's Mill Park, and The Events Place.
  - Granting permission for the Police Department to use Gray's Mill Park for the annual Trunk-or-Treat on Saturday, October 28, 2023.
- Discussed the purchase of Christmas Garland.
- Authorized the purchase of Lighted Garland from Holiday Designs, in an amount not to exceed \$15,500.00 which includes a contingency amount of \$455.46, to be funded by Hotel Motel Excise Tax Fund.
- Adopted Ordinance 2023-06, Re-Zoning of 619 Main Street.
- Tim Weaver thanked Kathy Bookout for her service as Councilmember and voiced his concerns regarding the project on Arnold Lane.
- Chief Turner provided additional information regarding the upcoming National Faith & Blue Weekend Event, an update on the grant and informed Mayor and Council of the Police Department's involvement with Hearts 4 Heroes on Saturday, November 11<sup>th</sup>.
- Mayor Moran mentioned the upcoming Events:
  - National Faith and Blue Weekend: October 6<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> around the City of Hiram.
  - Health & Wellness Fair: October 11<sup>th</sup> at City Hall Parking Lot from 10AM-3PM
  - Work Session: October 24, 2023 at 6pm in Municipal Annex.
  - Trunk or Treat: October 28<sup>th</sup> at Gray's Mill Park form 5PM-9PM
- Councilmember Bayardelle mentioned the upcoming Greystone Power Luncheon on October 12<sup>th</sup> and DD & Company's 6 year Anniversary on October 13<sup>th</sup>.
- Clifford McGrady mentioned the City Chili Cook-Off on November 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- Adjourned the Regular Session.

Melissa Chosewood  
City Clerk  
10/5/2023