

Work Session Meeting Minutes

January 16, 2024

I. Call to Order

Mayor Pro Tem Ebonye Holt called to order the work session of the Woodland City Council at 5:45 PM on January 16, 2024, at the Woodland City Hall.

II. Roll Call

The following persons were in attendance: Mayor Pro Tem Ebonye Holt, Councilwoman Allison Owens, Councilman John Haralson, Councilman Jeffery Mitchell, and City Clerk Allissa Gresham. Mayor James Carter, Councilman T.L. Carter, and Municipal Clerk Cynthia Powell were absent.

III. Approval of Agenda

Mayor Pro Tem Holt made a motion to approve the agenda. Councilwoman Owens seconded. All approved. Motion carried.

IV. Guest Speaker: None

Mayor Pro Tem Holt made a motion to amend the agenda to change Section IV. 2024 Salaries to 2025 Salaries for the Mayor and Council Members. Councilwoman Owens seconded. All approved. Motion carried.

V. Business Discussed

- a) The Council discussed the 2025 salaries for the Mayor and Council Members to be set at \$400.00 for the Mayor and \$300.00 for Council Members.
- b) The Council discussed events to be added to the 2024 City of Woodland Calendar. Clerk Gresham will add the events to the calendar for approval at the February 12, 2024, Regular Council Meeting.
- c) The Council discussed improvements for the City of Woodland Community Park. Some of the improvements suggested were ceiling fans, installing new outlets, picnic tables, reflectors for the driveway entrance, additional lighting for the park grounds, a large sign at the park entrance displaying the name of the park, rubber mulch for the playground, playground equipment for babies and toddlers, better folding chairs for indoor tables, installing an ice machine, installing an exhaust fan for the kitchen, installing 2-way or 3-way switches for lights, flood lights on corners of the building, outdoor trash cans, installing Wi-Fi service and security cameras. Councilwoman Owens suggested contacting Georgia Power to inquire about LED lights for the parking area.
- d) Mayor Pro Tem Holt discussed the City of Woodland Volunteer Fire Department response time. Mayor Pro Tem Holt suggested the City purchase fire hoses to keep at

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City Hall for citizens to help in an emergency until the fire department arrives. Councilwoman Owens suggested Clerk Gresham contact the City of Woodland Volunteer Fire Chief Roy Mallory to attend the February 12, 2024 Council Meeting to give insight on this matter.

- e) Mayor Pro Tem Holt discussed 2024 City of Woodland goals. Councilman Haralson suggested Beautification Grants. Councilwoman Owens and Mayor Pro Tem Holt suggested new Christmas decorations such as lighting, larger Christmas flags, wreaths, and garland for decorating Main Street and Hwy. 41 power poles and inflatable yard decorations for City Hall. Mayor Pro Tem Holt suggested a sprinkler system for the City of Woodland Park for children to play in during the summer. Councilman Haralson suggested cleaning up junk cars and abandoned properties within the City.
- f) Councilman Haralson discussed the Council needing the new City of Woodland charter. Mayor Pro Tem Holt suggested Clerk Gresham contact Attorney Byrd to have him bring the new charter to the February 12, 2024 Council Meeting for City Hall to have on file.

VI. Adjournment

Mayor Pro Tem Holt made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Mitchell seconded. All approved. Motion carried.

Mayor Pro Tem Ebonye Holt adjourned the meeting at 7:47 PM.

Minutes Submitted By: _____

Allissa Gresham

City Clerk

Approval Date