**MINUTES OF THE WASHINGTON CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**November 14, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.**

**Edward B. Pope Conference Center**

The mayor and City Council of the City of Washington, Georgia, held the regular monthly meeting on Monday, November 14, 2022, at 6:00 P.M. at the Edward B. Pope Conference Center. All Councilmembers participated. Councilman Denard participated by phone due to illness. All others participated in-person.

Mayor deGolian presided. Meeting was called to order by the mayor. Invocation was led by Councilman Anderson. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Hill.

Councilman Cullars moved to approve the minutes of the August and October meetings and the November 2 Special Called Meeting, seconded by Councilman Anderson. Motioned passed unanimously. The Council deferred approval of the September minutes.

Councilman Cullars motioned to approve the meeting agenda. Seconded by Anderson. Motion passed after a 3-3 tie with the mayor as tiebreaker. (YEA = Denard, Anderson, Wagner, deGolian) (NAY = Mahoney, Cullars Sr., and Hill).

**ACTION TOPICS**

1. Approval of IPT Agreement: Recommendation by City Administrator to approve surplus power supply agreement among the cities of Washington and Sandersville. Motion to approve made by Councilman Denard seconded by Councilman Wagner. Motion passed unanimously.
2. **S**election of a realtor to sell the TASC Building: Recommendation by City Administrator to approve Ken Parris Associates with a 5% commission rate. Motion made by Councilman Wagner Seconded by Mahoney to enter contract with a 1-year time limit with Ken Parris Associates. Motion passed on a 5-1 vote. (YEA = Anderson, Cullars, Denard, Mahoney, Wagner) ( NAY = Hill).
3. Planting of fruit trees around community: Motion by Councilman Mahoney to plant fruit trees at city parks and other public areas. Consensus was that the concept does not require a vote of Council and can be accomplished by directing the City Administrator to do so. City Administrator agreed and is to incorporate it into upcoming Tree Board plans.
4. Prorating alcohol license and (later added) business licenses: Motion by Councilman Mahoney and seconded by Anderson to prorate business licenses as an incentive to startup businesses. City Administrator is to submit a pricing plan at the next meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**Mayor and Councilmen voted and approved to go into executive session for discussion of real estate and personnel matters. Motion by Councilman Hill seconded by Councilman Cullars for Executive Session 7:06 pm. Motion passed unanimously. Executive session began at 7:06 pm and ended at 8 pm.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Council returned from Executive Session and the Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn. Motioned by Councilman Denard and seconded by Mahoney. Motion was unanimously approved. The meeting ended at 8:15 pm.

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Mayor City Clerk