**MINUTES OF THE REMOTE REGULAR MEETING OF THE WOODBINE CITY COUNCIL**

**January 3, 2022**

**WOODBINE CITY HALL**

The regular meeting of the Woodbine City Council held on January 3, 2022 was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Knight, with the following Councilors present via Remote Video Conference: C.C. Higginbotham, Jr., Richard Baird, Louise Mitchell and Phyllis Drummond. City officials present: City Administrator Samantha Young, City Clerk Elaine Koch.

The invocation was led by Louise Mitchell.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Louise Mitchell.

Motion made by Rick Baird, seconded by Phyllis Drummond, to appoint Louise Mitchell as Mayor Pro tem. Motion was unanimously approved and so declared by Mayor Knight.

Motion made by C.C. Higginbotham, Jr., and seconded by Phyllis Drummond, to appoint Robert C, Sweatt, Jr. as Municipal Judge. Motion was unanimously approved and so declared by Mayor Knight.

Oaths of office will be signed on an individual basis at a later time

Jimmie Cohen gave a Public Works update. Elaine Koch gave an Administrative update. Samantha Young gave a Finance and Administrative update.

Presentations –

Mayor Knight proclaimed the week of January 23-29, 2022 as Woodbine School Choice Week.

C.C. Higginbotham, Jr. asked to amend the agenda and add a discussion regarding the Jetter/Vac Con Truck needed by Public Works, Rick Baird asked to amend the agenda and add a discussion regarding Kelley’s Scrap Metal Recycling. Motion made by C.C. Higginbotham, Jr. and seconded by Louise Mitchell to approve the agenda as amended. Motion was unanimously approved and so declared by Mayor Knight.

Motion made by C.C. Higginbotham, seconded by Phyllis Drummond to approve the minutes of the December 6, 2021 meeting as presented. Motion was unanimously approved and so declared by Mayor Knight.

Motion made by C.C. Higginbotham, Jr., seconded by Louise Mitchell to go into Executive Session. Motion was unanimously approved and so declared by Mayor Knight

 The Executive Session convened at 7:08 p.m.

Motion made by C.C. Higginbotham, Jr., seconded by Phyllis Drummond to reconvene the Regular Meeting. Motion was unanimously approved and so declared by Mayor Knight.

 The Regular Meeting reconvened at 8:09 p.m.

Mayor Knight advised that no action was taken during Executive Session.

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Old Business- None

New Business-

Motion made by C. C. Higginbotham, seconded by Phyllis Drummond to set a budget of $150,000.00 for purchase of a Jetter/Vac Con unit for Public Works. Motion was unanimously approved and so declared by Mayor Knight.

Rick Baird presented information regarding the explosion at Kelley’s Scrap Metal Recycling on December 24, 2021. Motion made by Rick Baird, seconded by Louise Mitchell to ask Kelley’s Scrap Metal Recycling to voluntarily cease and desist daily operations, until an investigation can be done to determine the extent of what operations are currently ongoing at this business. Prior to a vote being called for, C. C. Higginbotham, Jr. recused himself. Motion was approved and so declared by Mayor Knight.

Public Comments –

LeMya Young thanked the Mayor, City Council and Elaine Koch for the opportunity to work at City Hall.

Timothy Bessent asked was there a special use permit granted to Kelley’s Scrap Metal Recycling to allow them to operate their business within current zoning.

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

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 Elaine J. Koch

 City Clerk

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