



**COUNCIL MEETING
4040 SOUTH BERKELEY LAKE ROAD
BERKELEY LAKE, GEORGIA 30096
FULL MINUTES
OCTOBER 19, 2023**

ATTENDANCE

Mayor: Lois Salter

Council Members: Rodney Hammond, Scott Lee, Bob Smith, and Rebecca Spitler

City Officials: Leigh Threadgill - City Administrator, Rob Hiller – City Marshal

Dick Carothers – City Attorney

Members of the Public: 0

Members of the Press: 0

WORK SESSION

The mayor and council reviewed the meeting agenda and materials with staff.

CALL TO ORDER

Salter called the meeting to order at 8:00 PM. A quorum of council members was in attendance.

AGENDA

Salter solicited motions regarding the agenda.

Smith made a motion to accept the agenda as submitted. Lee seconded the motion. All council members were in favor and the motion passed.

CONSENT AGENDA

Salter noted the following as items on the consent agenda and solicited a motion:

- a) Minutes of August 17, 2023, Council Meeting
- b) Financial Statements of July 2023 – Unaudited
- c) Financial Statements of August 2023 - Unaudited

Spitler made a motion to approve all items on the consent agenda. Hammond seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business to discuss.

NEW BUSINESS

a) O-23-249 – Proposed 2024 Budget

Threadgill: O-23-249 is the proposed budget for 2024. This measure as presented anticipates no increase in the real property tax millage rate for 2024 over the rollback rate for 2023. The measure is presented for first-read consideration after having been reviewed and recommended by the Finance Committee. Staff requests that you schedule a public hearing to receive citizen comments to be held on November 16th.

Lee made a motion to place O-23-249, an ordinance to establish the budget for the year 2023, to repeal conflicting ordinances, to provide for an effective date and for other purposes, on first read and to schedule a public hearing on the matter for Thursday, November 16th at 8:00 PM. Smith seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

b) ARPA 2023 Stormwater Project – Engineer’s Recommendation of Contract Award

Threadgill: The 2023 ARPA Stormwater Project includes various drainage improvements identified through inspections or citizen complaints. The project was put out to bid in accordance with state law. Bids were opened on September 26, 2023. You have before you the City Engineer’s recommendation letter and bid tabulation. The City Engineer recommends awarding the bid to the Dickerson Group with a bid of \$715,614.65 with the understanding that the project was bid with additional quantities for some work location to present two options to the bidders. The intent was to allow the contractor to perform CCTV inspection and work with the city engineer to determine if repair or replacement is the best and most cost-effective approach. The contractor will only be paid for what is installed.

Hammond made a motion to authorize the Mayor to enter into a contract for the 2023 ARPA Stormwater Project with The Dickerson Group in the amount of \$715,614.65 subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney. Lee seconded the motion. All remaining council members were in favor and the motion passed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

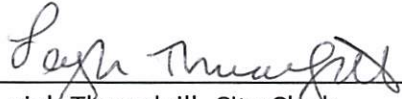
There were none.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Spitler moved to adjourn. Lee seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Salter adjourned the meeting at 8:05 PM.

Submitted by:



Leigh Threadgill, City Clerk

