**MINUTES OF CITY COMMISSION MEETING**

**MADISON, FLORIDA**

**APRIL 9, 2024**

The City Commission met in a regular meeting at 5:30 p.m. in City Hall. Commissioner Voncyle Wilson (District 1), Commissioner Ina Thompson (District 2), Commissioner Larry Olive (District 3), Commissioner Byron Poore (District 4), and Mayor/Commissioner Judy Townsend (District 5) were present.

City staff present were: Jerome Wyche-City Manager, Lee Anne Hall-City Clerk, Clay Schnitker-City Attorney, Tyrone Edwards-Police Chief, Chris Cooks-Police Captain, and Mary Graham-Director of Community Development.

The Mayor called the meeting to order.

The following people spoke during citizens’ participation: Frankie Carroll, Sim Alexander, Edgar Burch, Stuart Scott, Billy Joshua, and Deloris Jones.

Commissioner Poore moved to adopt the agenda; as amended. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Wilson and passed 5-0. (“Scoreboard at Lanier Field” was added to the agenda.)

Commissioner Poore moved to adopt the consent agenda: (a) Minutes of March 12, 2024 Regular City Commission Meeting, (b) Minutes of March 19, 2024 Special City Commission (c) Department Head Reports, and (d) Finance Report. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Wilson and passed 5-0.

Commissioner Poore moved to approve and authorize the Mayor to execute STATE REVOLVING FUND AMENDMENT 2 TO LOAN AGREEMENT WW400402 CITY OF MADISON. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Wilson and passed 5-0.

Commissioner Poore moved to approve and authorize the Mayor to execute STATE REVOLVING FUND AMENDMENT 3 TO LOAN AGREEMENT DW400410 CITY OF MADISON. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Wilson and passed 5-0.

Commissioner Poore moved to approve and authorize the Mayor to execute MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE documenting the terms and conditions of the implementation of the Rural Area of Opportunity (RAO). The motion was seconded by Commissioner Thompson and passed 5-0.

Commissioner Poore moved to approve and authorize the Mayor to execute the Interlocal Agreement between Madison County, City of Madison, Town of Greenville, and the Town of Lee pertaining to the proceeds of the Small County Surtax. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Olive and passed 5-0.

Commissioner Willson moved to adopt, on first reading, proposed Ordinance No. 2024-1 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MADISON, FLORIDA, DECLARING A MORATORIUM ON THE ACCEPTANCE OF APPLICATIONS FOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS TOWERS AND ANTENNAS FOR A PERIOD OF 180 DAYS; PROVIDING FOR PROHIBITION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND PROVIDING AN EXPIRATION DATE. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Thompson. The meeting was opened for public comments. There were no comments. Motion passed 5-0.

Commissioner Poore moved to allow the placement of a scoreboard at Lanier Field, at no cost to the City. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Thompson and passed 5-0.

A presentation was made by Commissioner Poore concerning removing the automatic 5% increases for Water, Sewer, and Sanitation and how to proceed moving forward with the Enterprise Fund’s profit margin. He requested the Commissioners review his proposal and be prepared for further discussion and a vote at the May 14, 2024 meeting.

Commissioner Poore proposed hiring a qualified code enforcement officer.

Commissioner Poore requested signs stating park hours be posted at city parks. The City Manager advised that the signs were on order.

The City Manager’s Report was accepted.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

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ATTEST: Judy Townsend, Mayor/Commissioner

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Lee Anne Hall, City Clerk