City of White Georgia City Council Meeting September 8th, 2025

Present at the council meeting were Mayor Curtis Powell, Councilmembers Jean Swank, Stephanie Nichelson, Gary Crisp, Karissa Noland, City Clerk Robin Cochran, and City Attorney Debra Golymbieske.

Mayor Powell called the meeting to order at 6:30pm and started with the pledge of allegiance. Councilmember Nichelson led the invocation.

Mayor Powell addressed the city's attorney, Debra Golymbieske, to ask if any action was needed to salvage the Public Works service truck body since our insurance adjuster totaled the vehicle. Golymbieske stated they would need to add it to the agenda. Powell asked for a motion. Councilmember Nichelson made a motion to add the salvage of the service body to item "4" on the agenda. Council member Noland seconded the motion. The motion was carried with a 5-0 vote.

Mayor Powell moved to talk about the CD rates given at the meeting on September 2nd.

- City Clerk, Robin Cochran announced the rates given at the meeting earlier in the month were no longer available as the bank had been bought out and they would not honor the rates given.
- Powell stated the options available; to let the CD's mature or to take them to a different bank with interest rates averaging .05%.
- Councilmember Crisp stated it would make more sense to let them mature and hold on to them for the time being.

Mayor Powell asked for a motion. Councilmember Nichelson made a motion to add the topic to item "5" on the agenda. Councilmember Swank seconded the motion. The motion was carried with a 5-0 vote.

Mayor Powell began to speak about possible litigation and made a motion to go into executive session. Councilmember Crisp seconded the motion. The motion was carried with a 5-0 vote, and the council went into executive session.

Mayor Powell stated that no votes were taken and asked for a motion to come out of executive session. Councilmember Nichelson made a motion to adjourn the executive session. Councilmember Crisp seconded the motion. The motion was carried with a 5-0 vote.

Mayor Powell made a motion that they satisfy in full the Federal Payroll Tax that the city owes from time periods 9/30/2021, 3/30/2022, 6/30/2022, 9/30/2022, and 12/31/2022. Councilmember Nichelson seconded the motion. The motion was carried with a 5-0 vote.

Mayor Powell moved to talk about the additional items added the agenda at the beginning of the meeting.

• Powell stated the service body was totaled per the insurance adjuster and opened the floor for discussion.

Councilmember Crisp made a motion to sell the service body to Ray's Savage Agency for \$3,800.00. Councilmember Noland seconded the motion. The motion was carried with a 5-0 vote.

Mayor Powell began to talk about the CDs;

- Council member Crisp said he'd like to revisit the sale of the public work's truck and asked what Public Works Superintendent Shawn Chastain had planned to do about the purchase of a new service body truck.
- Powell stated Chastain had 3 quotes already, ranging from \$80K \$85K brand new.
- Powell spoke about the CD's stating the rates previously given were no longer valid as the bank was bought out, the previous rate of 4.2% was going to be 2.2% and opened the floor for discussion.
- Someone from the audience asked if the city looked elsewhere for rates to which Powell stated the rates elsewhere were much worse.

Councilmember Nichelson made a motion to cash the CD's out. Councilmember Swank seconded the motion. The motion was carried with a 5-0 vote.

Councilmember Swank made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Crisp seconded the motion and the motion carried with a 5-0 vote. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin Cochran

City Clerk

Curtis Powell, Mayor