Minutes of Regular Meeting Mayor and Council City of Fitzgerald, Georgia February 8, 2021 6:00 pm

Mayor and Council of the City of Fitzgerald, Georgia, met in a TELE-CONFERENCE *Regular* meeting in the City Hall Administrative Conference Room, located at 302 East Central Avenue, with Mayor Puckett presiding and with Council members Brown, Griffin, D. Jefferson, S. Jefferson, J. Johnson, K. Johnson, Peavey, Roberts, and Webb being present.

Mayor Puckett welcomed everyone.

Minutes of January 11, 2021, Regular Council meeting were presented. Mayor Puckett entertained a motion for approval.

**Motion**: J. Johnson **Second**: Brown No discussion.

Roll Call Vote: 9 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.

Minutes of January 11, 2021, Organizational meeting were presented. Mayor Puckett entertained a motion for approval.

Motion: Roberts Second: Webb No discussion.

Roll Call Vote: 9 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.

Minutes of January 19, 2021, called meeting were presented. Mayor Puckett entertained a motion for approval.

Motion: Webb Second: Brown No discussion.

Roll Call Vote: 9 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.

A communication was read from the family of Iris Vanessa Melton.

Mayor Puckett requested to reappoint Ben Jacobs to the Library Board and called for a motion.

**Motion**: J. Johnson **Second**: Roberts

With no discussion, Roll Call Vote: 9 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.

Mayor Puckett called attention to the survey sent to all council members, "The talk after the Walk". He requested that all members fill out this survey. Mayor Puckett called on Deputy Administrator Cam Jordan to speak on this survey.

Cam Jordan spoke regarding the survey. Mr. Jordan is a part of GMA's Equity and Inclusion commission which meets monthly and sometimes weekly. In the month of May, there will be a civic and community engagement to hopefully meet in a more traditional means rather than via

web media. This is a pilot project to help encourage dialogue. He mentioned books written by Erin Mitchell and Francis Mayes that depict two very different visions of Fitzgerald. This survey is a means to anonymously talk on meaningful dialogue regarding race relations. There will be letters sent out next week in the Fitzgerald Utilities billing regarding the survey. This survey is on Facebook, and websites of the City of Fitzgerald, Chamber of Commerce and Family Connections. 200 completed surveys would be good but 700 would be statistically important. Please help promote this survey. We hope to be a statewide model. If you have questions regarding this survey please feel free to contact me.

Mayor Puckett thanked Cam for his work.

Mayor Puckett shared that a \$25,000 payment on the second RLF was made by Danny Roth.

Mayor Puckett announced that February 15 will be the C. C. Hall dedication at 4:00pm at the Monitor Center. This will be the unveiling of the Honorary drive and the permanent display at the Blue and Gray Museum.

APPROV

With there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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