

**Minutes of Organizational Meeting**  
**Mayor and Council**  
**City of Fitzgerald, Georgia**  
**January 8, 2024**  
**6:00 pm**

Mayor and Council of the City of Fitzgerald, Georgia, met in an **Organizational meeting** in the Council Chambers located at 302 E Central Avenue, with Mayor Holt presiding and with Council Members Brown, Clemons, D. Jefferson, S. Jefferson, J. Johnson, K. Johnson, Peavey, Roberts, and Webb being present.

Mayor Holt asked that we amend the agenda prior to and add the election of a Mayor Pro Tem.

**Motion** to amend agenda: Roberts

**Second:** Brown

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

Mayor Holt called on the election of Mayor Pro tem to be Kevin Johnson.

**Motion** to accept Kevin Johnson as Mayor Pro Tem: Webb. **Second;** Roberts

**Roll Call Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No, 1 Abstain. Motion approved.** Kevin Johnson abstaining.

Mayor Holt called on the approval of the 2024 Committee Appointments.

**Motion to approve:** J. Johnson

**Second:** Roberts

Mayor Holt asked if there was any discussion and with none called for a **Roll Call Vote: 9 Yes, 0 No, All in favor. Motion approved.**

Mayor Holt called on the approval of the 2024 Other Appointments, in which he read the list of each appointment.

**Motion to approve:** Peavey

**Second:** Webb

Mayor Holt asked if there was any discussion and with none called for a **Roll Call Vote: 8 Yes, 1 No, Motion approved.** S. Jefferson voting no.

Under new business, Mayor Holt made the State of the City Address.

**Motion** to accept State of the City Address: Peavey

**Second:** Webb

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

There is tri-annual bid of banking services for our General Fund account and as of January 1, 2024, have awarded the bid to Community Bank of Fitzgerald. Mayor Holt asked for signature authority for Community Bank to be Mayor Jason L. Holt, City Administrator Kathy Young and Chief Financial Officer Christina Justice. There is an internal process, of the City, that requires two signatures for each check to be signed prior to issuing payment.

**Motion** to accept this signature authority: J. Johnson; **Second:** L. Clemons

**Roll Call Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No 1 Abstain. Motion approved.** Barry Peavey abstained.

Mayor Holt brought a notice of withdrawal to intergovernmental agreement from Blockstream USA Corporation from Fitzgerald Water, Light and Bond. WLB needs our signature to withdraw

from this IGA. Councilman Barry Peavey asked if there were any repercussions from withdrawing and there are none.

Mayor Holt asked for approval of withdrawal.

**Motion** to accept withdrawal: Roberts

**Second:** J. Johnson

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

Mayor Holt asked if there was anything from council or department heads.

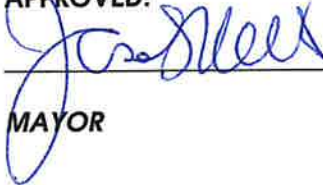
Due to inclement weather, David Walker, Public Works Director, mentioned that if you don't have to be on the roads please stay at home.

Councilwoman Sheila Jefferson mentioned that there were still debris piles in her neighborhood that had not been picked up in over 6 weeks. Addresses mentioned were Park Grove and 112, 114, 116 Park Circle. Discussion ensued over the process of the limb pickup and time it takes to go to the landfill with loads as well.

Councilman Jimmy Johnson thanked Mayor Holt for getting things done in the two years he has been mayor.

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



APPROVED:  
  
MAYOR