

## Minutes

### WORK SESSION

July 26, 2012

9:30 AM

Participants: Mayor Oswalt, Councilman Williams, Councilwoman Kelly, Councilman Ginn, Councilman Sowell.

External Auditor, Jimmy Whitaker

City Manager, Joel Lanken

City Treasurer, Tonya Tripp

City Clerk, Eric Beckman

Public Works Director, Eddie Robinson

Chief, David Colwell

Resident, Faye Stovall

Jimmy Whitaker walked the Council through on the Fiscal 2011 Audit via a power point presentation which outlined the state of the City's overall financial condition as of December 31, 2011.

This was followed by the City Manager requesting an Executive Session to review organizational issues impacting certain personnel considerations.

Councilman Sowell made a motion to enter into an Executive Session, seconded by Councilwoman Kelly. The motion carried unanimously.

The Executive Session ended with a motion from Councilman Sowell, seconded by Councilman Williams. The motion carried unanimously.

The City Manager illustrated the critical need for a dedicated person to be involved with grant writing due to the need to explore other forms of revenue for the City. Existing staff do not have the time for this critical effort which propelled the recommendation that the current Intern, Tim Hoyle be removed from his present unpaid capacity and enter the employment of the City as a means to begin the urgent task of acquiring grants. A motion was made by Councilman Ginn, seconded by Councilwoman Kelly to hire Tim Hoyle as recommended by the City Manager. The motion carried unanimously.

A discussion took place regarding the placement of certain activities in the September issue of the City Newsletter such as October 27<sup>th</sup> City Picnic and the November 3<sup>rd</sup> Clean Up Day Activity in addition to the November 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Christmas Tree Lighting.

The meeting came to a close with Councilman Ginn offering a motion for adjournment, seconded by Councilman Williams and the motion carried unanimously.