## MINUTES SPECIAL CALLED MEETING CITY COUNCIL January 24, 2022

**CALL TO ORDER**: Mayor Pro Tempore Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Due to rapid increase in COVID cases, this meeting was virtual via ZOOM.

**INVOCATION:** Mayor Pro Tempore Johnson gave the invocation.

PRESENT: Mayor Pro Tempore Johnson, Council Members: Walter Felton, Danny

Levie, Charles Ivey, Daniel Porter, and Byron Thompson; Special Projects Manager, Mel Fulghom; Clerk/Administrator, Joyce Hardy; City Clerk, Jennifer McCarthy; City Attorney, Jon Coogle; Police Chief, Eric Finch;

W/WW Plants Chief, Terry Cross, and W & S Line Maintenance Chief, Lonnie

Shaw; DDA/Tourism Director, Angle Mathews

ABSENT: Public Works Chief, Tim Goodman; Fire Chief, Matthew Moye

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

MOTION # 1: Ms. Nealie L. Johnson sworn in as Mayor by City attorney, Jon Coogle

MOTION # 2: To accept nominations to fill the vacant council seat formerly held by Ms. Johnson.

CM Ivey would like to postpone nominations for vacant seat in observance of bereavement. A vote was held to determine if nominations should proceed.

Voted to Proceed: Danny Levie, Byron Thompson, and Walter Felton

Voted to Postpone: Charles Ivey and Daniel Porter

The vote was closed, and the decision was made to proceed with the acceptance of nominations.

Mayor opens nominations: CM Levie nominates Cleveland Hobbs

**CM Porter nominates Tarshea Riley** 

**CM Felton nominates Kim Davis** 

No other nominations were submitted.

Mayor calls for a motion to close nominations

Motion By: Mr. Thompson

Second By: Mr. Levie

**VOTE:** UNANIMOUS, IN FAVOR OF

## **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Each nominated candidate for the open council seat, must meet state candidacy qualifications and will have the opportunity to present themselves to council at a future date.

Mayor Johnson announced that Congressman Sanford Bishop will attend the funeral services for our late Mayor, Larry Smith.

**ADJOURN:** 

With no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Nealie L. Johnson - Mayor

Joyce Hardy - City / Administrator