CITY OF OGLETHORPE

OGLETHORPE CITY HALL

115 CHATHAM STREET

 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 5, 2024 – 6:00PM

**Call to order:**  6:00pm Mayor Daniels

**Council Present:** CM Moore, CM Mahone, CM Beckum, CM Harrison (on phone)

**Council Absent:** CM Woodard

**Department Heads Present:** City Clerk Melissa Jones, City Attorney Coogle, PD Captain Hill, DDA/BHT Director Kenny Welch.

**Pledge of Allegiance:**

**Invocation:** CM Beckum

\* Motion to add line item 3 under New Business made by CM Moore, 2nd CM Beckum, AIF

**Approval of Agenda:** Motion to approve the agenda with the addition of line item 3 under New Business made by CM Moore, 2nd CM Beckum, AIF

**Approval of Minutes** from August 1, 2024 Work Session, August 1, 2024 Regular Council Meeting, August 15, 2024 Special Called Meeting, and August 29, 2024 Work Session: Motion made to approve listed Meeting Minutes made by CM Moore, 2nd CM Beckum, AIF

**Recognitions of Guest(s)**: n/a

**New Business:**

1) Approval of Defined Benefit Retirement Plan Adoption Agreement to allow employees to

 accrue benefits tax-free until retirement benefits are distributed to them – Motion made to

 approve the Defined Benefit Retirement Plan Adoption Agreement with GMA for tax-free

 benefits made by CM Moore, 2nd CM Beckum, AIF

2) Approval for Fire Truck engine repair ($12K - $15K) – Motion to approve Fire Truck engine repairs made by CM Moore, 2nd CM Mahone, AIF

3) Tutoring in Chamber – Motion made to approve use of the Council Chamber for Tutoring of 4 to 5 students two Saturday’s a month made by CM Moore, 2nd CM Beckum, AIF

(Mayor Daniels will open up for them and CM Moore offered to help with that also.)

**Old Business:**

**Other:**

1) Mayor requested that Public Comments be put on Work Session Agenda only.

2) CM Moore asked that council be thinking on other options for Public Works for the next work

 session.

3) CM Harrison noted that HWR had to come in after hours (7:30PM – 10:30PM) on Wednesday

 evening due to a broken water main out by the prison. A contractor was pulling cable through

 conduit that was already underground and yanked so hard it broke the city water main.

4) City Attorney Coogle asked about the annual Christmas Parade and DDA/BHT Director

 Kenny Welch advised that the parade is set for December 6th and backup date would be

 December 13th if needed.

5) CM Beckum thanked CM Mahone for staying on top of the Senior Center issues and said he

 could already see progress.

**Public Comments (2 Minutes): None**

**Adjourn:** 6:17PM - Motion to adjourn made by CM Beckum, 2nd CM Moore, AIF