Regular Council Meeting City of Tallulah November 9, 2023

A regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council was held on Thursday, November 9, 2023, at 5:30 P.M., in the Council Room Chamber of Tallulah City Hall.

Mayor Charles M. Finlayson called the meeting to order, led the Pledge of Allegiance, and allowed for a moment of silence.

A roll call of Council Members is listed as follows:

Scott	Present
Houston	Present
Harris	Present
Day	Present
Wells	Present

Mayor Finlayson allowed time for members of the public to voice any comments they might have regarding items listed on the agenda, but there was none.

Motion and second to approve minutes of the October 24, 2023, meeting were made by Councilmembers Day and Scott respectively and carried. Councilmember Wells voted "Nay."

Councilmember Wells moved for approval of an occupational license submitted by Mr. William McElroy (DBA) M3A Architecture, PLLC with second from Councilmember Harris. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Houston moved for approval of: A Resolution Stipulating Completion of The Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire by The Mayor's Staff for the City of Tallulah, Louisiana. Councilmember Day seconded, and motion carried unanimously. This resolution is passed each year as an adjunct to the City's Fiscal 2023 Fiscal and Procedures audits.

Motion to approve A Resolution for Canvassing the Returns and Declaring the Results of the Special Election held in the City of Tallulah, on Saturday, October 14, 2023, and to Promulgate the Results thereof, was made by Councilmember Day, seconded by Councilmember Houston, and carried unanimously.

Councilmember Houston requested approval of: A Resolution to Levy the Ad Valorem Taxes Authorized for Tax Year 2023, for the City of Tallulah, Louisiana. City Clerk Gerald Odom explained the process and stated that the City would levy a total of 30.24 mils to property owners of which the total levy would be about \$510,000. Most of it, consisting of about \$380,000 would go to the General Fund, and the remaining \$130,000 would be received by the Street Fund. Councilmember Day seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

In a discussion period, topics of discussion/comments included: need for debris removal at specified locations. Community Center needs repair and a clean-up; several water leaks need repairing: need for a code enforcer; when will the street project begin?

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned on motion and second of Councilmembers Houston and Day respectively which carried unanimously.

Attest:

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Charles M Finlayson, Mayor