

**JUNE 19, 2023**

**CITY OF BREMEN COUNCIL MEETING**

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMPLEX 191 N GEORGIA AVE. BREMEN, GA 30110**

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**CITY OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:** Mayor Sharon Sewell and Council Members: Salli Thomason, Dobby Harris, Jai Otwell, Lin Clayton

**ADMINISTRATION IN ATTENDANCE:** Perry Hicks, Mike Thompson, Amy Ridley, Keith Pesnell, Jay Hurley, Matt Cody, Roy Andrews, Lisa Walton-Cagle, Pat Johnson, City Attorney John Hawkins

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**6:00 PM / WORK SESSION / MAYOR & CITY COUNCIL INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS**

The work session consists of informal discussions among the mayor, council members, city administration, and any other attendees. There are no actions taken during informal work sessions. Mayor Sewell called the work session to order at 6:05 pm.

Informal Discussions:

Department Head Updates

Agenda Items

Possible Dates for a Called Work Session

Mayor Sewell adjourned the work session at 7:00 pm.

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**7:00 PM / REGULAR MEETING / MAYOR & CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION**

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA**

- Call Meeting to Order
- Pledge of Allegiance & Invocation
- Review & Modification of the Agenda
- Approval of the Minutes: (a) Regular Meeting held on May 15, 2023  
(b) Called Meeting held on May 30, 2023
- School Resource Officer Governmental Agreement
- Fiscal Year 2024 Budget Ordinance
- DNR Parks & Recreation Grant Pre-Application Resolution
- Rezoning Request for Properties owned by HD Storage, LLC from R-2 to C-2
  - (a) 439 Gordon Street
  - (b) 503 Bryan Street
- Open to the Public
- Adjourn

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Sewell called the regular scheduled council meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. followed by the pledge of allegiance and invocation.

**REVIEW & MODIFICATION OF THE AGENDA**

There were no changes to the agenda.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mayor Sewell asked if there are any modifications to the minutes from the May 15, 2023 regular council meeting.

Council Member Clayton made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Council Member Otwell seconded the motion to approve the minutes from the May 15, 2023 regular council meeting and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Sewell asked if there is a motion to approve the minutes from the special called meeting held on May 30, 2023.

Council Member Thomason made a motion to approve the minutes, as presented, for the called meeting held on May 30, 2023. Council Member Clayton seconded the motion and the minutes for the called meeting on May 30, 2023 were approved unanimously.

**SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT**

City Manager, Perry Hicks stated that the school has requested two more resource officers so that they can have one at each school. He said that this intergovernmental agreement states that the school will pay \$110,000 to the city for the three officers for the upcoming school year. He also stated that the amount will be reviewed each year as the intergovernmental agreement is approved on a yearly basis.

Mayor Sewell asked if there is a motion to approve the intergovernmental agreement for the school resource officers.

**SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT CONTINUED**

Council Member Clayton made a motion that was seconded by Council Member Otwell, to approve the school resource officer governmental agreement as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Sewell asked for a motion to authorize City Manager, Perry Hicks to sign the intergovernmental agreement for the school resource officer.

A motion was made by Council Member Thomason and seconded by Council Member Clayton, to authorize Perry Hicks to sign the intergovernmental agreement for the school resource officer. The motion carried.

**FISCAL YEAR 2024 BUDGET ORDINANCE**

Perry Hicks summarized the budget and stated that we have advertised and made the budget available to the public as required by law.

Mayor Sewell asked for a motion to approve the Fiscal Year 2024 Budget as presented.

Council Member Harris made a motion to approve the Fiscal Year 2024 Budget Ordinance. Council Member Otwell made a second to the motion and the motion carried unanimously to approve the 2024 Budget as presented.

**DNR PARKS & RECREATION GRANT PRE-APPLICATION RESOLUTION**

Recreation Director, Matt Cody stated that this resolution is a requirement for a grant application that he is submitting to the Department of Natural Resources. The Grant is a 50/50 match and the resolution states that, if the grant application is approved, the city is aware and will match the grant amount. He stated that DNR will not approve the applications for this grant until sometime next year.

Mayor Sewell asked for a motion to approve the resolution for the Parks & Recreation grant pre-application with the Department of Natural Resources.

Council Member Clayton made a motion, seconded by Council Member Harris, to approve the resolution for the grant application with Department of Natural Resources. The motion carried unanimously.

**REZONING REQUEST FOR 439 GORDON STREET & 503 BRYAN STREET BY HD STORAGE INC.**

Mayor Sewell opened the floor for a public hearing and asked if anyone would like to speak in favor of the rezoning request for 439 Gordon Street and 503 Bryan Street.

Jon Daniel, the owner of HD Storage, LLC, stated that he purchased both sets of storage units, which are currently grandfathered in under R-2 zoning, and he wishes to change the zoning to C-2 so that they are compliant with the city codes. He stated that they have cleaned them up and installed a fence around them.

Mayor Sewell asked if anyone would like to speak in opposition of the rezoning request.

There was no one to speak in opposition of the rezoning request for 439 Gordon Street & 503 Bryan Street.

Mayor Sewell asked Mr. Daniel if he has any plans of doing anything else at either of these locations in which Mr. Daniel stated that he does not plan to do anything at the locations other than the current storage units that are at each location.

Mayor Sewell asked if there is a motion to rezone 439 Gordon Street from R-2 to C-2.

Council Member Clayton made a motion that was seconded by Council Member Harris to rezone 439 Gordon Street from R-2 to C-2. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Sewell asked if there is a motion to rezone 503 Bryan Street from R-2 to C-2.

Council Member Harris made a motion to rezone 503 Bryan Street from R-2 to C-2. Council Member Clayton made a second to the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

There was no further business to come before the mayor and council.

**MEETING ADJOURN**

Council Member Clayton made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting and the meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm.