**CITY OF HAHIRA**

**JANUARY 7, 2025**

**WORK SESSION**

**6:00 P.M.**

**COURTHOUSE**

The Mayor and Council met for a Work Session on January 7, 2025 with Mayor Bruce Cain presiding.

**PRESENT:** Mayor Bruce Cain, Councils: David Linsdey, Klay Luke, Mason Barfield and Mayor Pro Tem Louise White. Fire Chief David Thompson, Police Chief Stryde Jones, PWD Willie Jones all present. City Clerk Lisa Mashburn was not present.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Bruce Cain

**ESTABLISH QUORUM:** Mayor Bruce Cain

**COUNCIL ELECTION-MAYOR PRO TEM (COUNCIL MEETING)**

**COUNCIL ASSIGNMENTS (COUNCIL MEETING)**

**REVIEW OF MEETING MINUTES:**

1. **DECEMBER 3, 2024 WORK SESSION**
2. **DECEMBER 5, 2024 COUNCIL MEETING**

The Mayor asked if anyone had any questions or corrections regarding the minutes. Mayor Pro Tem White stated corrections were already made.

**REVIEW OF BILLS/BUDGET OVERAGES:**

The Mayor asked if anyone had any questions or concerns regarding the bills. None noted.

**DISCUSSIONS:**

1. **STREET IMPROVEMENTS (COUNCILMAN LINDSEY)**

Councilman Lindsey said he would like to focus on roads and infrastructures in 2025. The citizens of his district want to have the streets repaired. He would like to get the cost for the repairs. The streets are East Coleman from South Nelson Street to Lawson Farms Road, North Hall Street from West Main Street to West Stanfill Street, West Park Street from South Church Street to Railroad Track and Weaver Street from East Grace Street to East Coleman Street. City Manager Sumner stated we will have to get authorization for City Engineering and cost estimates. We can discuss at the retreat and get a priority list on the Consent agenda.

**DEPARTMENT REQUESTS:**

1. **VEHICLE PURCHASE-SPLOST VIII (PWD JONES)** PWD Jones gave a list of all Public works vehicles out of commission and the status to repair. We only have ½ ton trucks and they are not great for pulling jet vac and Jetter. This would be requested for the first utility truck for the City. PWD Jones requested a ¾ ton utility truck for use in Public works and presented 3 quotes. After discussion it was decided to get quotes for 1 ton truck to be sure that all equipment like hot box and other equipment can be hauled to job. Mayor Pro Tem White asked if we could get quotes for 1 ton truck and decide which one would be the best. City Manager Sumner stated we would purchase so that we can use SPLOST VIII money vs a lease which cannot. The fleet has aged and a lot of them need to be replaced or repaired. It is in the budget and we use this as a guideline for spending and we should have sufficient funding. The dealership representative stated we have this for delivery tomorrow but we cannot guarantee the price and availability at a later date.
2. **CHIEFS WINTER CONFERENCE (CHIEF JONES)** Chief Jones requested to attend the Chiefs Winter Conference in April. This is mandatory training. The cost will be approximately $500 for three-night stay and Conference cost of $300.
3. **STATEWIDE MUTUAL AID AND ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT (CITY MANAGER)**

This is a request for the Mayor to sign off on a mandatory agreement that is renewed every 5 years by all municipalities.

**SET JANUARY MEETING AGENDA.**

**THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT**

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**MAYOR BRUCE CAIN**

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**CITY CLERK LISA MASHBURN**