# CITY OF HAHIRA AUGUST 7, 2025 COUNCIL MEETING 6:00 P.M.

# **COURTHOUSE**

The Mayor and Council met for a Council meeting on August 7, 2025 with Mayor Bruce Cain presiding.

PRESENT: Mayor Bruce Cain, Councils: Klay Luke, David Lindsey, Mason Barfield and Mayor Pro Tem Louise White. City Manager Jonthan Sumner, City Clerk Lisa Mashburn, Police Chief Stryde Jones, Fire Chief David Thompson and PWD Willie Jones.

ESTABLISH QUORUM: Mayor Bruce Cain

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Bruce

Cain

**INVOCATION:** Councilman Klay Luke

### **AWARDS OF RECOGNITION:**

Emily Brown with SGMC/EMS presented awards to Fireman Craig Wells and General Cash for lifesaving on scene that saved patients lives. Emily Brown said she is proud of the partnership between Hahira and SGMC/EMS. Hahira had over 500 calls this past year and this is a new award for level III trauma.

# REVIEW/CORRECTION OF MEETING MINUTES:

- A. JUNE 3, 2025 WORK SESSION
- B. JUNE 5, 2025 COUNCIL MEETING

The Mayor asked if anyone had any questions or corrections regarding the minutes. None noted. Councilman Luke made a motion to approve the minutes as presented which

was seconded by Councilman Lindsey.
Councilman Luke, Councilman Lindsey,
Councilman Barfield and Mayor Pro Tem
White all voted in favor of the motion.

# **PUBLIC HEARING:**

A. APPLICATION FOR PACKAGE SALE OF BEER AND WINE BY NAJMA FARID ON BEHALF OF CITGO, 1300 GEORGIA HIGHWAY 122 WEST (CHIEF JONES)

Chief Jones stated background done and no reason to prevent the license. City Manager Sumner stated that the required advertisement ran in the legal organ. Does Council have any questions or comments.

The Mayor asked if anyone wished to speak in favor of the application. None noted.

The Mayor asked if anyone wished to speak against the application. None noted.

Councilman Lindsey made a motion to approve the application which was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem White.

Councilman Luke, Councilman Lindsey, Councilman Barfield and Mayor Pro Tem White all voted in favor of the motion.

### **CITIZENS TO BE HEARD:**

None noted.

### **REVIEW OF BILLS/BUDGET OVERAGES:**

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

Councilman Barfield made a motion to approve the bills as presented which was seconded by Councilman Luke.

Councilman Barfield, Councilman Luke, Councilman Lindsey and Mayor Pro Tem White all voted in favor of the motion.

### **DISCUSSION:**

### MOVED TO CONSENT OR REMOVED

### **CONSENT AGENDA:**

- A. CHIEF'S FALL CONFERENCE
- B. SPLOST IX AGREEMENT-REVISED EXHIBIT A
- C. BID AWARD-DOYLE HANCOCK & SONS CONSTRUTION-RE-DRILL OF DEEP WELL #1-TITLED WELL #1A-GEFA WIIN GRANT/GEFA FRESH WATER LOAN-\$1,500,000.
- D. FY25-26 IT CONTRACT-VIRTUAL WORLD TECHNOLOGIES
- E. GAS MONITOR FOR WELL #2-SPLOST VIII-SOWEGA CHLORINATOR-\$3,885
- F. NEW FLOWMETER AND VALVE FOR SPRAY FIELD-SPLOST VIII-CALIBRATION CONTROLS-\$8,108 AND \$1,225

- G. ROTARY MOWER-SPLOST VIII-POWERHOUSE OUTDOOR-\$4,300
- H. GENERATOR UPGRADE ON WEST
  MAIN LIFT STATION-PROPRIETARY
  FUND-COWART ELECTRIC-\$2,459SPLOST VIII
- I. FY25 COST OF LIVING ALLOCATION
- J. CALL FOR REFERENDUM ON NAME
  CHANGE OF MCNEAL ESTATES PHASE
  III STREET NAMES
- K. DESIGNATION OF AMY HOLBROOK, LANGDALE VALLOTTON AS CITY ATTORNEY

Mayor Cain asked if anyone had any questions regarding the Consent agenda. None noted.

Mayor Pro Tem White made a motion to approve the Consent agenda as presented

which was seconded by Councilman Lindsey. Councilman Barfield, Councilman Luke, Councilman Lindsey and Mayor Pro Tem White all voted in favor of the motion.

## **REPORTS:**

Councilman Lindsey said Congratulations to Chief Thompson on the outstanding job with the Fire department and all that you do. Thank you to PWD Jones and I would like to give an atta boy to Chief Jones for the good work that you all do. Thank you all for your public service, you all do a great job.

Councilman Barfield said ditto to all that has been said, you all do a great job and we appreciate everything that you all do. We can still grow and have the small-town atmosphere.

Mayor Pro Tem White said I love all you guys and I love Hahira."

Councilman Luke said he appreciates all the hard work and I want to recognize the Fire department for saving lives day and night. Thank you to the Police department for all that you do. Thank you to PWD Jones for going out in 110-degree weather and doing storm prep, thank you for all your hard work. Thank you, all the department heads and the office staff. Thank you to the City Manager for the work on the budget. We are blessed. Thank you to the Mayor for all the behind the scenes work that you do and to the Council members. I love Hahira.

City Manager Sumner said thank you for the opportunity to serve, we are moving forward through outstanding work. Thank you to the

Fire department, Police department and PWD Jones. The City looks great and we appreciate your leadership.

Mayor Cain said he would like to thank PWD Jones for preparing ditches and getting ready for storm season. We really appreciate all the staff. We appreciate the Fire department, Chief Thompson we appreciate all you guys. We appreciate the work that Chief Jones and the PD do. They had an incident where there was a child wandering the streets and they located the parents. It could have turned out bad. I appreciate the office staff, Lisa, Carol, Victoria and Laura. We appreciate Jonathan and all his hard work. My term is up this year but I do not want to step down at this time. I have to finish several projects that I started and would like to serve another term.

Councilman Luke made a motion to enter into Executive session to discuss personnel which was seconded by Councilman Barfield. Councilman Luke, Councilman Barfield, Councilman Lindsey and Mayor Pro Tem White all voted in favor of the motion.

Councilman Lindsey made a motion to come out of Executive Session which was seconded by Councilman Luke.

Councilman Lindsey, Councilman Luke,

Councilman Barfield and Mayor Pro Tem

White all voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made to Adjourn by Councilman Barfield which was seconded by Councilman Luke. Councilman Barfield, Councilman Luke, Councilman Lindsey

and Mayor Pro Tem White all voted in favo of the motion.
THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 6:45 P.M.
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MAYOR BRUCE CAIN

**CITY CLERK LISA MASHBURN**