

Oconeel Gymnasium
October 2, 2025

The regular meeting of the Mayor and Council was held at Oconeel Gymnasium, on Thursday, October 2, 2025 at 5:30 PM.

Mayor Joshua Kight called the meeting to order. Council members Bill Brown, Bennie Jones, Tess Godfrey, Sara Kolbie, Paul Griggs, and Chris Smith were present. The invocation was given by Jerry Davis followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag. National Anthem was played by Dublin High School band.

APPROVAL OF THE SEPTEMBER 18, 2025 COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made by Council member Tess Godfrey and seconded by Councilman Bennie Jones to approve the minutes. The motion carried 6/0.

APPROVAL OF BILLS OVER \$15,000

A motion was made by Councilman Paul Griggs and was seconded by Councilman Chris Smith to approve the following bills. The motion carried 6/0.

CHECK#	DATE	PAYMENT TO	PURCHASE	AMOUNT
46195	09/19/25	C. E. Garbutt Construction Co. Inc.	Hilburn & Pritchett Park	90,231.09
46259	09/19/25	University of Georgia	Dublin-Laurens Co Archway Project	35,000.00
46237	09/19/25	Peterbilt of Atlanta	SW-2026 Front Loader Garbage Truck	349,196.05
46177	09/19/25	A & H Services LLC	Fiber Install Estimate	18,000.00
46228	09/19/25	Laurens County SWMA	Landfill Fees for August 2025	47,228.53
46201	09/19/25	Consolidated Pipe & Supply & Co.	Gas & Pipe Supplies	16,589.34
46209	09/19/25	Georgia Power Co.	FY 26 Electricity	110,872.94
46243	09/19/25	Ryland Oil Co.	Restock Fuel	17,703.80
DFT0003252	09/18/25	Internal Revenue Service	Aug Sales Paid in Sept	15,254.35
DFT0003241	09/17/25	Internal Revenue Service	Employee Medicare	17,963.36
DFT0003243	09/17/25	Internal Revenue Service	Employee Federal Withholding	49,956.72
DFT0003244	09/17/25	Internal Revenue Service	Employee Social Security	76,808.90
DFT0003242	09/17/25	Department of Revenue	Employee State Withholding	23,219.25

46158	09/17/25	City of Dublin-Self Insurance Fund	Self-Insured Health Insurance	111,607.09
DFT0003236	09/16/25	Georgia Environmental Facilities Auth	GEFA	36,790.41
46139	09/12/25	Ryland Oil Co	Restock Fuel	22,994.44
46103	09/12/25	Dublin-Laurens Co. Recreation	August 25 Hotel/Motel	38,294.67
46111	09/12/25	Georgia Interlocal Risk Management	GMA Prop & Liability Self Insurance	176,044.25
46134	09/12/25	New Growth LLC	Cemetery & Sidewalk Maintenance	16,350.00
46144	09/12/25	Teen Challenge Southeast Region	Litter Pick Up	20,040.00
46078	09/12/25	A & H Services LLC	Fiber Installation, Maintenance, & Repair	32,350.00
46146	09/12/25	Thomas & Hutton Engineering Co	Industrial, Park, & Street Improvement	65,621.77
46156	09/12/25	Visit Dublin Ga	August 25 Hotel/Motel	38,294.67
46096	09/12/25	Downtown Development Authority	August 25 Hotel/Motel	19,147.37
DFT0003201	09/10/25	Employee Benefit Management Service	EBMS Monthly Bill	18,479.78

APPROVAL OF PURCHASES OVER \$15,000

There were two purchases for council consideration:

Roof Replacement for 415 E Jackson St- Gas Department Staff budgeted to replace another section of roof for the Dublin Natural Gas facility. This is for the warehouse section temporarily used by the school as well as the roof over the section temporarily housing the Sanitation Division of Public Works during the construction of their new facility. Staff recommends awarding Dublin Construction this project in the amount of \$62,025, which is under the \$100,000 budget. Other sections of Dublin Natural Gas roof have been previously approved and replaced as follows: \$20,525 for an area of the main facility roof near Bainbridge Street; \$22,960 for the welding shop roof; and \$69,800 for the main office/warehouse roof. Dublin Construction has completed all previous roofing work and is recommended by staff to complete the remainder of the project. The roof will carry a 15-year warranty on materials and labor and the scope includes approximately 10,528 square feet. The installation will be a 40-mil white PVC heat welded single ply membrane. This will be paid from Account #515-4700-541300 and will be capitalized to Account #515-117400. Staff recommends approval of this purchase.

2026 Peterbilt 520 with Front Loader-Sanitation A total of \$375,000 was budgeted for the purchase of a new front loader garbage truck. Staff recommends a 2026 Peterbilt 520 with a New Way Mammoth 40 Yard Body Front Loader in the amount of

\$368,869.00 from Sansom Equipment Company via a bid obtained through Sourcewell. This front loader garbage truck will replace Unit 403. The current front-end loaders are as follows: Unit 408 - 2026 Peterbilt 520 Front Loader; Unit 406 - 2020 Peterbilt 520 Front Loader; Unit 404 - 2019 Peterbilt 520 Front Loader; and Unit 403 - 2015 Peterbilt 520 Front Loader. Two front end loaders run at all times with two spares for mechanical issue outages. Expected delivery for this purchase is 180-210 days. This purchase will be paid out of Account #540-4520-542200 and will be capitalized via Machinery and Equipment Account #540-117500. Staff recommends approval of this purchase.

Councilman Bill Brown made a motion to approve the purchases seconded by Councilman Bennie Jones. The motion carried 6/0 to approve.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE #25-12 TO REZONE PARCELS D16D 024, D16D 023, D16D 021, AND D16D 020 FROM M-1 TO R-3

City Manager Josh Powell read ordinance #25-12 to rezone parcels D16D 024, D16D 023, and D16D 021 from M-1 to R-3. The City has applied for properties located at 500, 502, 504, and 506 South Church Street to be rezoned from M-1 to R-3. One of these parcels currently has a single-family home and the other three parcels are vacant. These properties are not ideal for manufacturing use and the R-3 zone aligns with the surrounding parcels. A public hearing at the planning and zoning meeting on October 14, 2025 has been advertised. The proposed use of these properties is residential. This is a first reading of this ordinance. A second reading and public hearing will be at the 12:00 P.M. City Council meeting October 16, 2025.

SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCE #25-14 TO AMEND SECTION 10-40 OF THE FIRE PROTECTION CODE

City Manager Powell read ordinance #25-14 to amend the Code of Ordinance of the City of Dublin by deleting Section 10-40 of Article III of Chapter 10 Entitled "Rules and Regulations for Commercial Buildings" in its entirety and inserting a New Section 10-40 entitled "Rules and Regulations for Commercial Buildings" in lieu thereof to update the Code Section. Staff has

been working with the State Fire Marshal's Office regarding alternative requirements for fire life safety provisions for existing buildings. This is particularly relevant to buildings along the Bellevue Avenue corridor where there is a desire to have adequate fire life safety measures without impacting the historic significance of the building. State law allows for alternative minimum requirements for existing buildings. Such minimum requirements include: number of required exits, distances to exits, exterior stairways, and protection of openings in exterior walls. Staff recommends adoption and incorporation of such requirements. Councilman Paul Griggs made a motion to approve the ordinance and was seconded by Council member Sara Kolbie. Interim City Clerk R. Blake Daniels called the roll for a vote. The motion carried 5-0 to approve.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON RESOLUTION #25-44 TO APPROVE AN AGREEMENT WITH AXON FOR IN-CAR CAMERAS FOR PATROL VEHICLES

City Manager Powell read Resolution #25-44 to approve an agreement with Axon for in-car cameras for patrol vehicles. This resolution will authorize a contract for services and equipment for in-car cameras for the fleet vehicles recently purchased for the police department. The service includes equipment and a cloud-based data backup which may be accessed as needed. These cameras also have automatic tag reader capabilities. The City will own the cameras and the cradle point router. These cameras are compatible and integrate with the existing Axon body camera system. A total of \$17,261.00 was budgeted for expected costs and will be considered in future budgets. An annual cost of \$14,468.00 is expected for a four-year service agreement. Staff recommends approval of the resolution to execute the provided agreement. This cost shall be paid out of police budget via Account #100-3223-542500. Councilman Bennie Jones made a motion to approve the resolution and was seconded by Councilman Bill Brown. The motion carried 6/0 to approve.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION RESOLUTION #25-46 TO APPROVE AND ADOPT AN AMENDMENT TO THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP OF THE LAURENS COUNTY JOINT COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

City Manager Powell read resolution #25-46 to approve and adopt an amendment to the future land use map of the Laurens County Joint Comprehensive Plan. Due to the rezoning application in Item #4 above, staff has reviewed the Comprehensive Plan for consistency and determined that the plan itself supports the rezoning, but the future land use map is inconsistent and will require alteration. The current future land use designation for these parcels is industrial; after review of the current and realistic future use of said parcels, adjusting the future land use map to reflect a residential use is recommended. The attached resolution will authorize this alteration in accordance with the enclosed map. The specific area being adjusted coincides with the same parcels shown on the map for item #4 above. Councilman Paul Griggs made a motion to approve the resolution and seconded by Councilman Chris Smith. The motion carried 6-0 to approve.

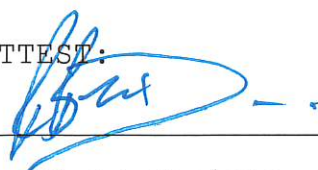
ADJOURNMENT

No council or citizen comments held due to the commencement of the Oconee Gymnasium Ribbon Cutting Ceremony.

There being no further business, Mayor Kight adjourned the council meeting at 5:50pm.


Joshua E. Kight, Mayor

ATTEST:


R. Blake Daniels, Interim City Clerk

