

Dublin City Hall  
May 1, 2025

The regular meeting of the Mayor and Council was held at Dublin City Hall, on Thursday, May 1, 2025 at 5:30 P.M.

Mayor Joshua Kight called the meeting to order. Council members Bill Brown, Tess Godfrey, Sara Kolbie, and Paul Griggs were present. Councilman Bennie Jones, Rich Mascaro and Chris Smith were absent. The invocation was given by Major Eric Roland followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

#### SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Special presentation to recognize employees who have achieved their 20th and 30th year of service with the city.

##### Twenty Year Pins:

Sgt. Joshua (Joddie) Edge - Police Department (Since 2/25/2005)  
Major Eric Roland - Police Department (Since 2/25/2005)  
Service Technician Leo Butts - Water Utility - Water Distribution (Since 1/31/2005)

##### Thirty Year Pin:

Water Utility Director, Tony Braziel (Since 3/10/1995)

#### APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 17, 2025 COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made by Councilman Griggs and seconded by Councilwoman Godfrey to approve the minutes. The motion carried 4/0.

#### APPROVAL OF BILLS OVER \$15,000

A motion was made by Councilman Griggs and was seconded by Councilwoman Kolbie to approve the following bills. The motion carried 4/0.

CHECK#	DATE	PAYMENT TO	PURCHASE	AMOUNT
DFT0002832	4/10/25	Employee Benefit Management	EBMS Monthly Bill	18,214.52
44022	4/11/25	Amchar Wholesale, Inc.	Glock Handguns Quote	66,564.15
44077	4/11/25	Ragins Construction	702 Hayes Street Rehab	17,200.00
44061	4/11/25	Laurens County SWMA	Landfill Fees	49,892.13
44088	4/11/25	Tyler Technologies, Inc	Quarterly Insite Transaction Fees	15,685.50
44080	4/11/25	Sikes Brothers Inc.	2024 Street Resurfacing	696,408.46
44075	4/11/25	Perry Brothers Oil Company Inc.	Restock Fuel Order	20,351.73
DFT0002838	4/14/25	Georgia Department of Revenue	Sales Tax March 2025	36,864.02
44101	4/15/25	City of Dublin Self Insurance Fund	Payroll Payables	100,636.77
DFT0002846	4/16/25	Internal Revenue Service	Payroll Payables	64,930.60
DFT0002845	4/16/25	Internal Revenue Service	Payroll Payables	38,362.44
DFT0002844	4/16/25	Department of Revenue	Payroll Payables	19,602.80
DFT0002843	4/16/25	Internal Revenue Service	Payroll Payables	15,185.38
44165	4/17/25	Xylem Water Solutions USA	Pump for West Frasier Lift station	52,609.02
44163	4/17/25	Truist Bank	Fire Fighting Vehicles and Equipment	120,279.04
44151	4/17/25	Natural Gas Trade.COM	Hwashin and Darling Regulators and Rebuilt Kit	15,858.08

44130	4/17/25	Delta Municipal Supply Co.	Neptune Water Meters	25,805.00
44120	4/17/25	C.E. Garbutt Construction Co.	City Hall Brick and Window Project	52,206.12
44119	4/17/25	C.E. Garbutt Construction Co.	Oconee Gym Renovation	531,851.51
44131	4/17/25	Dixie Lawn and Landscaping Inc.	Landscaping and Lawncare for Parks	25,002.00
44121	4/17/25	Carl Black Chevrolet GMC	FY 25 Vehicles BI/CE/CH/ENG/PW	57,880.00
CSHMGAG	4/21/25	Municipal Gas Authority of Georgia	Gas Purchase	22,164.99
MGAG	4/21/25	Municipal Gas Authority of Georgia	Gas Purchase	924,110.89
44166	4/21/25	GA Power Company	FY 25 Electricity	98,098.33
<b>Total:</b>				<b>\$</b>

#### APPROVAL OF PURCHASES OVER \$15,000

There were two purchases for council consideration:

##### Rifles-Police Department

Earlier this year council approved the purchase of rifles for the police department. This is being done as a result of the US Military potentially recalling the rifles the police department had received through their surplus program. Staff originally planned to break this purchase up over two budgets, but due to savings in the police department budget in the current fiscal year, staff recommends the purchase take place now. The purchase is for 23 rifles from GT Distributors out of Austin, TX for \$849.94 per unit totaling \$19,548.62. This will be paid for out of the Police Patrol "Other Equipment" budget (Account #100-3223-542500)

##### Fire Hose Dryer-Gear Washer-Fire Department

As a part of the Northside Fire Station Project, there is a need to purchase a hose dryer, used to dry turnout gear and fire hoses after they are washed, and also a turnout gear extractor washing machine, that washes turnout gear and extracts carcinogens. The total cost for both items is \$18,199.25 and will be paid for out of 2018 SPLOST, which has sufficient funds remaining to cover the cost. It will come from Account #320-3570-541304.

Councilman Brown made a motion to approve the purchases and seconded by Councilwoman Kolbie. The motion carried 4/0 to approve.

#### FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE #25-03 PROHIBITING NEW VAPE SHOP ESTABLISHMENTS WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS

City Manager Powell read ordinance #25-03 to prohibit the establishment of new vape shops within the corporate limits of the City of Dublin. Mayor Kight announced that the second reading and public hearing will be hold at the May 15<sup>th</sup> council meeting at 12:00 Noon.

#### DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON RESOLUTION #25-18 TO AUTHORIZE THE PARKS COMMITTEE TO TAKE ACTION ON THE SPRINGDALE PARK IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

City Manager Powell read resolution #25-18 to authorize the parks committee to have approval of all contracts with landscape architects, engineers, and the engagement of contractors in regard to improvements of Springdale Park. The request is being made in order to expedite the progress on the project. This would authorize the parks committee to essentially approve the percentage fees of the landscape architect, civil engineer, and contractor on the project. The funding currently available for Springdale Park is roughly \$6Million. This includes \$2Million

from the State in a DNR Grant and \$4Million in '24 SPLOST funding. We've also been notified of an additional \$1Million from the State for another DNR Grant. Councilman Brown made a motion to approve the resolution and seconded by Councilman Griggs. The motion carried 4/0 to approve.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON RESOLUTION #25-19 AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH STATE BROADCASTING CORPORATION FOR ADVERTISING

City Manager Powell read resolution #25-19 approving a contract with State Broadcasting Corporation for a twelve month advertising service and cost agreement concerning advertising segments for the City of Dublin. As staff's continued efforts to keep the public informed of our activities and issues critical for their information; staff presents to you a contract with State Broadcasting for the upcoming fiscal year (July 2025-June 2026) for advertising segments that include, "Shamrock Moments", ads for Dublin Natural Gas and Riverview Golf Course, and other miscellaneous messaging that may be necessary throughout the year. There are four stations involved in this contract, and all are local stations (WQZY [Y-96]; WDBN [107.9]; WQIL [101.3]; WMCG [104.9]). These thirty-second clips will run throughout the day during the times provided on the State Broadcasting Sales Order Form shown below. The total annual cost is \$16,000 and we have money budgeted for this purpose in the proposed FY'26 Budget. Councilman Griggs made a motion to approve the resolution and seconded by Councilwoman Godfrey. The motion carried 4/0 to approve.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON RESOLUTION #25-20 ON PURCHASING REAL ESTATE LOCATED AT 205 EAST JOHNSON STREET

City Manager Powell read resolution #25-20 to approve the purchase of Tax Parcel D15F-024 (205 E Johnson Street) Staff has identified this parcel of property as one that needs revitalization and blight elimination. The property is located across the street from the old Johnson Street School location. This was not specifically budgeted, but there are funds in the dilapidated house demolition budget, and it will fund this with that. The account number is (#100-7324-541300-Buildings and Building Improvements). Councilwoman Kolbie made a motion to approve the resolution and seconded by Councilwoman Godfrey. The motion carried 4/0 to approve.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON RESOLUTION #25-21 AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH GEORGIA POWER FOR THE WOODLAWN-CLAXTON DAIRY ROUNDABOUT TIA PROJECT

City Manager Powell read resolution #25-21 to approve an agreement with Georgia Power Company got the installation and maintenance of streetlights along a portion of Claxton Dairy Road. As a part of the roundabout project at Woodlawn and Claxton Dairy, new lighting is included in the project scope and the agreement in your materials being submitted for approval is for 12 new streetlights. They will be mounted to existing poles or placed on new aluminum poles where existing poles do not currently exist. There is an up-front cost, \$45,000, which will be covered by TIA Funds. The ongoing cost thereafter is \$180.00 per month (for all 12 lights), and Georgia Power will be responsible for their maintenance going forward. The ongoing cost will come from

our streetlights budget in the General Fund. The up-front cost will be paid out of TSPLOST Account 335-4221-541426 (Infrastructure - Claxton Dairy Road Roundabout Project). The ongoing monthly costs will be paid from Account # (100-4260-531230 - Electricity - Streetlights) and will be paid along with the normal bill from Georgia Power. Councilman Griggs made a motion to approve the resolution and seconded by Councilman Brown. The motion carried 4/0 to approve.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON RESOLUTION #25-22 TO AUTHORIZE THE ACCEPTANCE OF TERMS FOR PROPERTY AND CASUALTY INSURANCE BENEFITS FOR THE 2026 PLAN YEAR FOR THE CITY OF DUBLIN

City Manager Powell read resolution #25-22 to authorize the city manager to secure property and casualty insurance benefits for the 2026 Plan Year for the City of Dublin. The city's liability insurance is up for renewal and the premiums have increased by 9% from last year. The main reasoning for the increase over last year is our updated appraised values of the property we own. The term runs from May 1 through April 30<sup>th</sup>. The total price with the Georgia Interlocal Risk Management Agency (GIRMA) is \$770,834 and includes the following coverage: General Liability; Public Officials Liability; Law Enforcement Liability; Automobile Liability, Auto Physical Damage Liability; Crime; Property and Equipment; Equipment Breakdown Animal Mortality; Environmental, Law Enforcement Off Duty; Underground Storage Tank; and Cyber Liability. These premiums are paid out of multiple accounts across multiple funds in the city's budget, but are budgeted for. Councilman Brown made a motion to approve the resolution and seconded by Councilwoman Godfrey. The motion carried 4/0 to approve.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON RESOLUTION #25-23 TO ACCEPT AND APPROVE THE TERMS OF AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES TO PROVIDE APPROPRIATED FUNDS FOR OUTDOOR RECREATIONAL FACILITIES AT SPRINGDALE PARK

City Manager Powell read resolution #25-23 to accept and approve the terms of an Intergovernmental Agreement with Georgia Department of Natural Resources to provide appropriated funds for outdoor recreational facilities at Springdale Park. The city has been presented with an intergovernmental agreement with Georgia Department of Natural Resources for a \$1,000,000 grant for Springdale Park improvements. Staff will add this money to funds available for the Springdale Park improvements and are working to get this project moving along. Councilman Brown made a motion to approve the resolution and seconded by Councilwoman Kolbie. The motion carried 4/0 to approve.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON BOARD APPOINTMENTS (If needed)

The mayor appointed Jerry Davis to the Citizen Advisory Committee for the Oconee Gym Project to fill the vacancy created by the death of Ms. Guynell Ellington. This is a committee established by the mayor for the project.

Youth Council Commission -

Mayor Kight appointed Heather Browning for a 2-year term ending April 30, 2027 (Darrius Knight's former slot) and Dustyn Clements

- to fill the unexpired term of Josh White, which will expire on 12/31/2025.

Councilwoman Kolbie made a motion to approve the appointments and seconded by Councilwoman Godfrey. The motion carried 4/0 to approve.

#### CITIZEN COMMENTS

No citizen comments.

#### COUNCIL COMMENTS

City Treasurer Daniels had no comments.

City Attorney Gordon had no comments.

City Clerk Browning had no comments.

Councilman Brown thanked all employees recognized for their service.

Councilwoman Godfrey thanked everyone for coming. Congratulated the employees on their service awards. Asked for prayer for the family that was involved in the gun violence on Rutland.

Councilwoman Kolbie thanked Renia Cook and staff for a great Employee Appreciation Day. Asked for prayers for the family that lost a loved during this time.

Councilman Griggs echoed what was said by his council members.

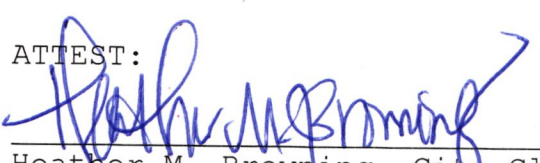
City Manager Powell congratulated the employees that received service awards and thanked them for their dedication. Thanked staff for a great Employee Appreciation Day also thanked mayor and council for allow the city to have the event.

#### ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Kight adjourned the meeting at 6:07 P.M.

  
Joshua E. Kight, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Heather M. Browning, City Clerk

