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COUNCIL:

October 12, 2021 Council Meeting @7:00 PM Council Chambers

PRESENT

Mayor Barry Whitley
Councilperson Glenn Harris
Councilperson Deborah Williams
Councilperson Jacob Hopkins
Councilperson Amanzie Jenkins
Vicki Wainwright
**Mayor Pro Tem Ed Guinn was absent)

INVOCATION: Mayor Barry Whitley

OPENING STATEMENT: Vicki Wainwright

AGENDA AMENDMENT: City Clerk Vicki Wainwright asked for approval of an Agenda Amendment to include acceptance of the 2021 CDBG. A motion to amend the agenda was made by Council Person Amanzie Jenkins and a 2nd was made by Council Person Jacob Hopkins. The vote was unanimous. (*Mayor Pro-Tem Guinn was absent*)

OLD BUSINESS:

Approval of the September 14^{th} Regular Council Meeting and the September 23^{rd} Millage Rate Hearing Minutes:

A motion to accept and approve the minutes of the September 14th, 2021 Regular Council Meeting and the September 23rd, 2021 Millage Rate Hearing Minutes was made by Councilperson Deborah Williams and a second was made by Councilperson Jacob Hopkins. The vote was unanimous. (*Mayor Pro-Tem Ed Guinn was absent*)



MEDIA PRESENT

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NEW BUSINESS:

2021 CDBG: Public Works Director David Windham informed the Mayor and Council that the City of Butler has been awarded the 2021 CDBG for streets, drainage and housing in the Gloria, Venus, Bell Street Area. He asked the Mayor and Council to accept the 2021 CDBG. A motion to accept the 2021 CDBG was made by Council Person Glenn Harris and a second was made by Council Person Jacob Hopkins. The vote was unanimous. (*Mayor Pro-Tem Ed Guinn was absent*) Mr. Windham also asked the Council to vote for the approval to allow Mayor Whitley to sign all documents related to the 2021 CDBG. A motion to allow the Mayor to sign all 2021 CDBG Documents was made by Council person Glenn Harris and second was made by Council person Jacob Hopkins. The vote was unanimous. (*Mayor Pro-Tem Guinn was absent*)

Veterans Day Holiday: Change from Thursday, November 11 to Friday, November 12 for 2021: Public Works Director David Windham asked the Council to allow the City of Butler to observe the Veterans Day Holiday on Friday, November 12th instead of Thursday, November 11th in 2021 to allow the employees to have a long weekend. A motion to adjust the observed day was made by Councilperson Amanzie Jenkins and a second was made by Councilperson Deborah Williams. The vote was unanimous. (*Mayor Pro-Tem Guinn was absent*)

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Public Works Director David Windham said that the City of Butler has been awarded a 2021 CDBG in the amount of one million dollars for streets, drainage and housing revitalization in the Venus, Gloria, Bell Street areas. The City's match will be paid from a combination of SPLOST/T-SPLOST and LMIG finds.

He announced that the City plans to hold the annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony on Tuesday, November 30th, 2021, weather permitting.

Police Chief Matthew Woodard said that the police department had 102 calls last month and issued 83 citations.



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Fire Coordinator Eddie Moulton said that the Fire Department ran twenty-one calls last month. Those included 7 vehicle accidents, 1 grass fire, two landing zone calls, one helicopter landing (unscheduled), two vehicle fires, one structure fire, three cancelled enroute calls, three wires down calls, and one smoke alarm.

He said that the yearly audit for the Fire Department had been completed and the Butler Fire Department was found to be in compliance with everything.

Fire Chief David Windham said that currently the Butler Fire Department has 20 active members on the roster and of those ten are at a Fire fighter 1 level, with none of those being currently enrolled in a Fire Fighter 2 training. There are currently 7 Fire Fighters at a Fire Fighter 2 level. He said that the Butler Volunteer Fire Fighters exceed minimum standards.

ADJOURN: With nothing further to discuss, the meeting was adjourned with a motion by Councilperson Amanzie Jenkins and a second by Councilperson Glenn Harris. The vote was unanimous. (Mayor Pro-Tem Ed Guinn was absent)

Mayor Barry Whitley	 ATTEST	



*A Work Session immediately follows