

**Minutes  
CITY OF FOLKSTON  
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING  
January 9, 2023**

The Mayor and Council of the City of Folkston met in regular session on January 9, 2023 at City Hall.

Mayor Lee Gowen called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. He gave the invocation and led the pledge of allegiance.

**Members Present:** Lee Gowen, Mayor  
Ruby Baker  
Marion Davis Jr.  
Jim Gowen  
Rob Roberson  
Bruce Young

**Members Absent:**

**Also Present:** Leonard H. Lloyd, City Manager  
Darlene Williamson, Clerk  
Hali Coffey, Deputy Clerk  
Wesley Green, Chief of Police  
Patrick Brooks, City Attorney

**Visitors:** Jamison Guice, Charlton County Herald

**AGENDA**

**Mr. Marion Davis made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Bruce Young seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote.**

**MINUTES**

**Mrs. Ruby Baker made a motion to approve the minutes for the December 19, 2022 Regular Meeting as presented. Mr. Bruce Young seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote.**

**APPROVE INCOME AND EXPENSE STATEMENTS**

**Mr. Bruce Young made a motion to approve the income and expense statements for December, 2022 as presented. Mr. Jim Gowen seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote.**

**POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT**

Chief Wesley Green stated the police department filed 37 incident reports, investigated 8 accidents and answered 1,240 calls during the month of December 2022.

The police department collected \$8,298.00 in fines and forfeitures; the city's portion is \$6,270.54.

**CITY MANAGER REPORT**

Mr. Lloyd stated the city's facilities did not have any issues from the winter freeze over the holidays. However, there were many call outs for customers with broken pipes.

**MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. CELEBRATION**

Mayor Gowen stated the Martin Luther King Jr. celebration will be Monday, January 16, 2023. The parade route will begin at the Department of Family and Children Services building on Okefenokee Drive, travel to Main Street and ending at the Court House. The parade line up will begin at 10:30 AM. The celebration will begin at 11:30 AM at the auditorium inside the county annex building.

**BOARD OF HEALTH / APPOINT GAIL CREWS**

**Mr. Marion Davis made a motion to reappoint Gail Crews as the city representative to the Board of Health. Mr. Jim Gowen seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote.**


**GENERAL DISCUSSION**

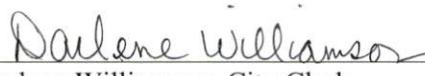
Mayor Gowen stated the city will have an election in 2023 for council members; Mr. Rob Roberson, Mr. Marion Davis and Mr. Jim Gowen.

**ADJOURN:**

**Mr. Rob Roberson made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Bruce Young seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote.**

The meeting adjourned at 6:33 PM.

  
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Lee Gowen, Mayor

ATTEST:  
  
  
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Darlene Williamson, City Clerk