



City of Nahunta

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Barbara Maefield, Mayor
Bruce Davis, Mayor Pro-Tempore
Richard Johns, Council Member
Crystal Johns, Council Member
DeLoise McFadden, Council Member
Tom Wirth, City Manager
Brent Hyde, City Attorney

Meeting Agenda

To be held on **Tuesday, January 3, 2023**, at 7:00 PM
CITY HALL COURTROOM
9911 MAIN STREET NORTH
NAHUNTA, GA 31553

Type of Meeting: Regular Meeting

- I. Call to Order
- II. Invocation
- III. Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Approval of Agenda
- V. Approval of Minutes-December 5, 2022, Called Meeting December 16, 2022
- VI. Public Participation (Citizens are limited to 5 minutes)
- VII. Old Business
- VIII. New business
 - a. Appointment of Police Chief
 - b. Appointment of City Clerk
 - c. Approval of the 2023 Election Qualifying Fees
- IX. Department Reports
 - a. Police Dept
 - b. Public Works
 - c. City Clerk/Mayor Report
- X. Executive Session
 - a. Legal
 - b. Personnel

XI. Adjournment

The City of Nahunta, Georgia met in regular session meeting called to order at 7:00 pm Tuesday, January 3, 2023 in Council Chambers of City Hall located at 9911 Main Street North, Nahunta, Georgia 31553.

- ❖ Mayor Maefield called meeting to order at 7:00 pm
- ❖ Invocation was said by Mayor Pro-Tem Bruce Davis
- ❖ A quorum was present.

In attendance are Mayor Barbara Maefield, Mayor Pro-Tem Bruce Davis, Councilman Richard Johns, Councilmember Crystal Johns, Councilmember Deloise McFadden, City Manager Tom Wirth, Police Chief Darin Jennings, City Attorney Brent Hyde (on speaker phone) City Clerk Angela Wirth, various residents and press.

Items to consider for approval:

- ❖ Mayor Maefield asked for a motion to approve tonight's agenda. Councilmen Richard Johns made the motion to approve tonight's agenda. Mayor Pro-Tem Bruce Davis seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried by majority vote 4-0. Voting for the motion are Mayor Pro-Tem Bruce Davis, Councilman Richard Johns, Councilmember Crystal Johns, and Councilmember Deloise McFadden. No councilmember voted against the motion.
- ❖ Mayor Maefield asked for a motion to approve the December 5, 2022 regular meeting minutes and the December 16, 2022 called meeting minutes. Councilman Richard Johns made the motion to approve the December 5, 2022 regular meeting minutes and the December 16, 2022 called meeting minutes. Councilmember Crystal Johns seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried by majority vote of 4-0. Voting for the motion are Mayor Pro-Tem Bruce Davis, Councilman Richard Johns, Councilmember Crystal Johns, and Councilmember Deloise McFadden. No councilmember voted against the motion.

Public Participation

Resident Randall McCarty was in attendance and inquired with the Mayor and Council on why he can not have a septic tank at his property on Cherry St where he would like to build a house. Mr. McCarty informed the Mayor and Council that sewer does not extend all the way down Cherry St and it is not offered and therefore he will need a septic tank and would like to know when he may have one installed or if the Council will lift the moratorium for him to install one and if he waits until the new sewer plant is up and running will he be offered to tie into the City sewer system then. He also gave the Mayor and Council these questions on paper and asked the City Manager Tom Wirth to pass out and they were given to the Mayor and Council.

Ms. Lalita Hopkins and Mrs. Mary Campbell were in attendance to discuss the running of loose dogs on their street. City Clerk Angela Wirth informed the Mayor and Council the City does not

have an active animal ordinance. After a brief discussion Police Chief Darin Jennings stated he is trying to work with various animal rescues to take the dogs that are running loose.

Mrs. Linda Collins was in attendance to discuss and asked City Manager Tom Wirth to have the public works crews to pickup the trash that has been blown in the ditch on Florida Ave. City Manager Tom Wirth stated he will have the public works crew get to the ditch asap in the morning.

Old Business

No old business

New Business

- a. Appointment of Police Chief-Councilman Richard Johns made the motion to appoint Darin Jennings as Police Chief for the 2023 FY. Councilmember Crystal Johns seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried by majority vote of 4-0. Voting for the motion are Mayor Pro-Tem Bruce Davis, Councilman Richard Johns, Councilmember Crystal Johns, and Councilmember Deloise McFadden. No councilmember voted against the motion.
- b. Appointment of the City Clerk-Councilman Richard Johns made the motion to appoint Angela Wirth as City Clerk for the 2023 FY. Mayor Pro-Tem Bruce Davis seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried by majority vote of 4-0. Voting for the motion are Mayor Pro-Tem Bruce Davis, Councilman Richard Johns, Councilmember Crystal Johns, and Councilmember Deloise McFadden. No councilmember voted against the motion.
- c. Approve of the FY 2023 qualifying fees-Councilman Richard Johns makes the motion to approve the FY 2023 qualifying fees for the City election in November of 2023. Mayor qualifying fee \$180.00 and councilmembers qualifying fee \$90.00. Councilmember Crystal Johns seconded the motion, all in favor, carried by majority vote 4-0. Voting for the motion are Mayor Pro-Tem Bruce Davis, Councilman Richard Johns, Councilmember Crystal Johns, and Councilmember Deloise McFadden. No councilmember voted against the motion.

Departmental Reports

Police Department-Police Chief Darin Jennings gives the report: 3 incident reports; 1 accident report; 1 domestic violence; 6 warrants; 3 misc reports; 11 citations: 2016 Tahoe still not repaired; Working with IT on computers for patrol cars; New uniform shirts; attended shop with a cop through Brantley County Sheriff's Office; looking to hire Richard Wolverton.

Public Works: City Manager gives the public works report. 178 work orders and waiting on financials to send to USDA for the new financing.

