# QUITMAN CITY COUNCIL CALLED MEETING MINUTES Tuesday October 10, 2023 6:00 P.M.

### I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Zinda McDaniel at 6:06 PM. Council Members Morgan, Neloms DeVane and Smart were in attendance. City Manager Raphel D. Maddox, City Clerk Lola Slydell and City Attorney Karla Walker was also in attendance.

### II. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Upon motion by Mattie Neloms and second by Donald Morgan to adopt agenda as presented. Voting Yes (Morgan, Neloms, DeVane, Smart).

### III. EXECUTIVE SESSION

## **Persuant to (OCGA 50-14-(6))**

Time in <u>6:07</u> P.M Upon motion by Donald Morgan second by Mattie Neloms to enter into executive session was approved. Voting Yes (Neloms, Smart, Morgan, DeVane).

Time out <u>6:25</u> P.M. Upon motion by Mattie Neloms second by Donald Morgan to exit out of executive session was approved. Voting Yes- (Neloms, Smart, DeVane, Morgan).

To discuss/ deliberate upon the appointment, employment, compensation, hiring, disciplinary action or dismissal, or periodic evaluation or rating of a public officer or employee; (OCGA50-14-(6)). City Manager Raphel D. Maddox officially notified council of his resigning from his position as City Manager of the City of Quitman to explore other opportunities and of his recommendation of Interim City Manager and Interim City Clerk. Discussion led to a straw pole by city council. City Attorney Karla Walker discussed with council some concerns around annual appointments for Department Heads.

# IV. APPOINT INTERIM CITY MANAGER

Upon motion by Mattie Neloms and second by Donald Morgan to appoint Lola V. Slydell as Interim City Manager. Voting Yes (Neloms, Morgan, Smart, DeVane)

### V. APPOINT INTERIM CITY CLERK

Upon motion by Mattie Neloms and second by Donald Morgan to appoint Karla Beana-Carreon as Interim City Clerk. Voting Yes (Neloms, Morgan, Smart, DeVane)

### VI. DISCUSS FINANCE OFFICER

City Manager Raphel D. Maddox discussed with the council the importance and benefits a full-time finance employee would bring to the City of Quitman. He mentioned some of the qualifications the individual would need, compensation and expectations. Upon motion by Mattie Neloms and second by Mark DeVane to post for hire for the City of Quitman **Finance** *Officer*. Voting Yes (Neloms, Morgan, Smart, DeVane)

#### VII. NEW NEWS

City Councilman Donald Morgan mentioned blocking off Court Street during the events around Halloween. Mr. Morgan also mentioned seeking assistance with Grant writing for the City of Quitman. Mr. Raphel Maddox did advise that GMA offers assistance in that area for municipalities who are apart. Councilwoman Mattie Neloms mentioned brining back Law Day for the City of Quitman, she feels that this would be a great event to start up again. No Action Taken

### VIII. ADJOURN

Upon motion by Mattie Neloms and second by Mark DeVane to adjourn at 6:31pm. Voting Yes (Neloms, Smart, Morgan, DeVane).

Zinda McDaniel, Mayor

Lola Slydell, City Clerk