

**City Council Meeting  
April 8, 2024  
6:30PM, Temple Senior Center  
Minutes**

**Call to Order-** The meeting was called to order by Mayor Michael Johnson at 6:30PM  
Council Members Present: Hiley Miller, Casey Russom, Howard Walden, \*Richard Bracknell (\*arrived at 6:41PM, did not begin voting until “New Business”)

**Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance-** Led by Mayor Michael Johnson.

**Public Comments-** N/A

**Presentation of the 8U Boys Basketball GRPA District 4 “Class C” State Champions-** Mayor Michael Johnson recognized the 8U Boys Basketball team for being the District 4 “Class C” State Champions.

**Approval of Agenda, as presented:** There was a motion to approve the agenda as presented by Council Member Russom, second by Council Member Walden. Vote 3-0.

**Approval of Minutes**

**March 4, 2024 City Council Meeting-** There was a motion to approve the March 4, 2024 minutes by Council Member Walden, second by Council Member Miller. Vote 3-0.

**March 25, 2024 Special Called Meeting-** There was a motion to approve the March 25, 2024 minutes by Council Member Walden, second by Council Member Russom. Vote 3-0.

**Announcements:**

City Administrator Lisa Jacobson stated that the next Planning Commission meeting which will take place on April 16<sup>th</sup> will be held in the Municipal Court Room. She also let everyone know that the Spring Clean Up Day will be taking place on April 20, 2024 from 9:00am-2:00pm.

Consent Agenda:

There was a motion by Council Member Miller to approve the consent agenda (items 1-13 listed below), second by Council Member Walden. Vote 3-0.

1. Authorized a 3-year contract renewal with the Water Quality Lab at the University of West Georgia for Temple's required water quality monitoring that is used for the City's Watershed Annual Report.
2. Select Allsouth Environmental Services Inc. to provide post EQ tank cleanout service in the amount of \$20,482.88 with funding from the sewer budget GL#505-43300-52.2220.
3. Authorize the purchase of two HOMA pumps from Pro Pump Solutions of America, LLC for \$43,495.30 to replace one lift station pump at CenterPoint and another lift station pump at Lakeland; funding from GL #505-44000-52.2240.
4. Approve the position and job description of Lift Station Supervisor at a Pay Grade 20.
5. Adopt an update to the Minimum Age Requirement page in the Personnel Policy Manual, in keeping with the Department of Labor's work permitting requirements.
6. Accept the receipt of three parcels, #125 0544, T04 0060059, and T04 0060044 deeded to the City of Temple by Carroll Tomorrow.
7. Authorize an increase in the deposit fee for utility services as follows: \$150 for homeowners, \$200 for renters, and \$350 for commercial.
8. Authorize the Mayor to sign a vendor contract with Stephen Dunn, S&J Piano Inc. for piano instruction at the Temple Recreation Department.
9. Authorize the Mayor to sign a vendor contract between Temple Recreation Department and Mowry McClure, The Open Lotus Yoga and Doula Services LLC (OLY) for non-religious yoga instruction.
10. Authorize the Mayor to sign the renewal contract with Majesty Dance Group to provide dance instruction at the Temple Recreation Department.
11. Approve the purchase of ballistic vests from Armor Express for \$10,319.52 with funding from SPLOST2021.
12. Authorize the mayor to sign the Letter of Engagement with Will Robinson, LLC, for the FY2023 Audit services.
13. Authorize the Mayor to sign the Memorandum Of Understanding between Carroll County and several other local government entities, including City of Temple, for the joint purchase of the Electronic Warrant System, also known as E-Warrant, where each individual cooperating Agency agrees to pay its pro rata share annually, not to exceed \$4,000.00 per year.

## New Business

1. Hold a public hearing and then consider taking action on the Temple Planning Commission's March 19, 2024, recommendation (4-0) to approve the **Rezoning** of Parcel #T03 0010003 on the corner of Rome and Driver Street, 6 lots with addresses to be assigned, from (R-4) Single-family Detached Residential to (R-1) Single-family Detached Residential as requested by William Collins with W.T. Collins, Landlot 180, District 6, a total of 9.32-acres.

Mayor Johnson opened the public hearing. There was no one present to speak for or against this request. The public hearing was closed.

There was a motion by Council Member Walden to approve the rezoning request of Parcel #T103 0010003 from (R-4) Single-Family Detached Residential to (R-1) Single-Family Detached Residential, second by Council Member Bracknell. Vote 4-0.

2. Adopt an Ordinance on the restated Adoption Agreement received from Georgia Municipal Association (GMA) as required of each employer using the GMEBS Defined Benefit Retirement Plan as part of the restatement process.

City Administrator Lisa Jacobson explained that this was discussed at the Committees meeting and this ordinance is at the request of GMA. There was a motion by Council Member Bracknell to adopt the ordinance, second by Council Member Walden. Vote 4-0.

3. Receive information on the Financial Advisory Services Agreement from Davenport Public Finance and consider taking action.

There was a motion by Council Member Miller to table this item, second by Council Member Walden. Vote 4-0.

4. Report from Financial Consultant Rick Hartley on the first quarter FY2024 expenditures.

City Administrator Lisa Jacobson stated that they would like to present this item at the Committees meeting.

5. Receive information on the SPLOST Expenditure Newspaper Advertisement for year 2023

City Administrator Lisa Jacobson explained that a copy of the ad is in the Council packet and it has been advertised.

6. Receive information on the two proposals received for the Tennis Court Improvements RFP with bid award consideration; SPLOST2021 funding.

The Recreation Director, Ingrid McKinley, was asked if she had a recommendation of which company to choose for the project. She stated that she recommends DCW, they are a local company that we have worked with before. DCW has done good work and has a longer warranty. This project has been budgeted for.

There was a motion by Council Member Bracknell to accept the bid from DCW, second by Council Member Miller. Vote 4-0.

7. Rescind the Senior Center Floors bid award from DCW Construction in the amount of \$13,500.00, due to their bid increase, and award the bid to Smith's Floor Coverings for \$14,430.00; SPLOST2021 funding.

There was a motion by Council Member Bracknell to rescind the bid award from DCW, second by Council Member Miller. Vote 4-0.

There was a motion by Council Member Bracknell to accept the bid from Smith's Floor Coverings in the amount of \$14,430.00, with the funding from SPLOST 2021, second by Council Member Walden. Vote 4-0.

8. Staff report concerning receipt of the sealed bids opened by the City of Temple on March 22 in response to the City's request for proposals for residential and commercial sanitation services.

City Administrator Lisa Jacobson explained that the City received 3 sealed bids for sanitation services; the bids were from: Waste Pro, GFL, and Arrow Waste. Last week negotiations were scheduled with each company to discuss their best and final offer. Ms. Jacobson explained that GFL did not want to make any change to their bid. Waste Pro had concerns about the CPI Index and the need for a potential increase. They committed to providing roll offs for the clean up day, but they would charge a disposal fee. Arrow Waste is just getting into local government. They came in approximately \$3,800 less than GFL and will provide roll offs for the cleanup day. Ms. Jacobson recommended going with Arrow Waste.

Council Member Walden stated he wasn't familiar with Arrow and he called and spoke to their president, George Deweis. He was told that Arrow could not do all of the trash pick up in one day; there would be a truck in the City five days a week and the City would be divided into five different sections. Mr. Walden explained that Arrow uses rear loader trucks which makes pick up a slower process. He has concerns with a truck being in the City five days a week and the City only saving

\$3,800 to change services doesn't seem worth it, not knowing what type of service Arrow would provide.

City Administrator Lisa Jacobson explained that GFL hasn't always been good with communication on things like holiday pickup, and there have been complaints about needing new garbage cans on the customer end. Utility Billing Clerk Regina Shaw stated that since they have discontinued the recycling service, the complaints and issues have not been as bad as they were in the past. It was confirmed that the contract would last five years.

9. From among the companies who responded to the City of Temple's request for proposals, consider the selection of a company to provide residential and commercial sanitation services for a five-year period starting January 1, 2025.

There was a motion by Council Member Walden to go with GFL for sanitation services, second by Council Member Miller. Vote 4-0.

10. Review rate information and then select the banking institution for the transfer of two (2) CDs that mature on April 15.

There was a motion by Council Member Miller to keep the CDs at Synovus with the interest rate of 5% for 13 months, second by Council Member Bracknell. Vote 4-0.

11. Authorize the Mayor, pending legal review, to sign an Easement Agreement with Georgia Power Company on Parcel #T03 0040006, Land Lot 180, District 6, located at the Temple Recreation Department at 240 Rome Street.

City Administrator Lisa Jacobson explained that this was a courtesy of Georgia Power to let us know about the easement. They will need to put in another power pole for Evergreen. City Attorney, Rob Monroe, explained that he can look at the agreement, but it is a formality and they will not negotiate the terms.

There was a motion by Council Member Bracknell to authorize the mayor to sign an Easement Agreement with Georgia Power, second by Council Member Walden. Vote 4-0.

#### Closing Comments by Mayor and Council

Richard Bracknell- He thanked Ingrid McKinley for participating in a forum by the Carrollton Debate team; she did an excellent job.

Mayor Johnson- Thanked everyone for their support with the Ferst Readers Fundraiser. He was the Tin Man from the Wizard of Oz and received 105 votes which was \$1,050. The fundraiser made over \$13,000 total. This organization sends books each month to children in Carroll County.

Executive Session, if needed- N/A

Adjournment: There was a motion to adjourn by Council Member Russom, second by Council Member Miller. Vote 4-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:18PM.