

## City of Thomasville Emergency Called Council Meeting, March 20, 2020

The Council of the City of Thomasville met in a duly noticed Emergency Called Meeting session with Mayor Greg Hobbs presiding and the following Councilmembers present: Mayor Pro Tem David Hufstetler; and Councilmembers Jay Flowers, Todd Mobley and Wanda Warren. Also present was City Manager, J. Alan Carson; City Attorney, Tim Sanders; other staff, members of the press and citizens. The meeting was held in Council Chambers at 144 East Jackson Street, Thomasville, Georgia.

It shall be noted this emergency called meeting was convened for the purpose of updating the City of Thomasville Code of Ordinances, Chapter 7 captioned "Emergency Management." in regards to the coronavirus pandemic (as declared by the World Health Organization earlier in March 2020) and to enable the leadership of the City of Thomasville to help stop the spread of COVID-19, the novel strain of coronavirus.

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Greg Hobbs called the meeting to order at 2:00 PM.

### **INVOCATION**

Councilmember Jay Flowers led the Invocation.

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Pro Tem David Hufstetler led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **ADOPT AGENDA**

Mayor Hobbs reported Council needed additional time for review of the resolution of emergency and ordinance amendment as presented.

Councilmember Warren motioned to table Council's consideration resolution of emergency for the first and second reading at this meeting of an ordinance to Delete in its entirety Chapter 7, Captioned "Emergency Management", of the City of Thomasville Code of Ordinances and replace the same with a new Chapter 7, Captioned "Emergency Management.", as presented, for further discussion. Mayor Pro Tem Hufstetler seconded. There was no further discussion. There was no further discussion. The motion passed 5-0, with the following votes recorded:

AYES: Mayor Hobbs, Mayor Pro Tem Hufstetler and Councilmembers Flowers, Mobley and Warren.

Mayor Pro Tem Hufstetler motioned to table Council's consideration on first and second reading, under emergency resolution, an Ordinance to Delete in its entirety Chapter 7, Captioned "Emergency Management", of the City of Thomasville Code of Ordinances and replace the same with a new Chapter 7, Captioned "Emergency Management." Councilmember Warren seconded. There was no further discussion. The motion passed 5-0, with the following votes recorded:

AYES: Mayor Hobbs, Mayor Pro Tem Hufstetler and Councilmembers Flowers, Mobley and Warren.

Following Council's vote to table both items, Mayor Pro Tem Hufstetler reported the current Chapter 7, "Emergency Management" in Thomasville's Code of Ordinances was not adequate or enforceable during the current State of Public Health Emergency. He commended both the City Manager and City Attorney for their collective efforts to update the Emergency Management ordinance. However, the consensus of Council at this time was the ordinance needed further review before adoption. It was noted that Council would reconvene in the very near future for further discussion.

**OLD BUSINESS**

There was no old business considered at this meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Consider a resolution of emergency for the first and second reading at this meeting of an ordinance to Delete in its entirety Chapter 7, Captioned "Emergency Management", of the City of Thomasville Code of Ordinances and replace the same with a new Chapter 7, Captioned "Emergency Management."**

This item was tabled under Adopt Agenda and not discussed.

**Consider on first and second reading, under emergency resolution, an Ordinance to Delete in its entirety Chapter 7, Captioned "Emergency Management", of the City of Thomasville Code of Ordinances and replace the same with a new Chapter 7, Captioned "Emergency Management."**

This item was tabled under Adopt Agenda and not discussed.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Having no further business to discuss, the March 20, 2020 Emergency Called City Council Meeting was adjourned at 2:08 PM.



Mayor, Greg Hobbs



ATTEST: City Clerk

