



AGENDA
Cochran City Council
Tuesday, February 14, 2023
Regular Schedule Meeting @ 6:00PM

City Auditorium, 102 N Second Street, Cochran, GA 31014

City Council

Billy Yeomans, Mayor
Rufus Veal, Council Member
(District 2, Post 2)
Carla Coley, Council Member
(District 2 Post 1)
Gary Ates, Council Member
(District 1, Post 2)
Jimmy Jones, Council Member
(District 3, Post 2)
Andrew Lemmon, Council Member
(District 3, Post 1)
Keith Anderson, Council Member
(District 1, Post 1)

City Staff

Richard Newbern, City
Manager
Tracy Jones, City Clerk
Jim Elliott, City Attorney

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- I. Call to Order by the Mayor**
 - II. Invocation**
 - III. Pledge of Allegiance**
 - IV. Attendance**
 - V. Adopt Agenda/Minutes**

VI. Agenda Items

ITEM #1- Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern

Proclamation for National Black History Month

ITEM #2- Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern

Presentation of Safety & Liability Grant Award from GMA Representative Artiffany Stanley

ITEM #3- Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern

Consideration of Health Insurance services and premiums from Anthem Blue Cross & Blue Shield – Shaw Hankins Brokers

ITEM #4- Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern

Consider CDBG application and time for Public Hearing

ITEM #5- Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern

Consider engaging the services of Dependable Home Inspections to assist with preparation of the CDBG Housing grant application

ITEM #6- Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern

Consider approving the financing of the required lead abatement costs at Susan Lord's house on Rose Street using ARPA funds

ITEM #7- Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern

Consider directing the City Attorney to pursue action to address the double taxation of Cochran citizens to fund the Bleckley County fire service, including steps to create a fire tax district for unincorporated Bleckley County.

ITEM #8- Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern

Consider filing an AFG Fire Equipment Grant and a SAFER Personnel Grant to FEMA for equipment and personnel for the Fire Department

ITEM #9- Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern

Consider award of bid for tree purchases for the Ga. Tree Council's RELEAF Program

ITEM #10- Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern

Consider setting a date in late April 2023 for Cochran Clean-up Day and Scrap Tire Amnesty Week

ITEM #11- Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern

Consider appointment of new City director to Recreation Department

Announcement of Upcoming Meetings and Events

- ❖ Regularly Scheduled City Council Work Session – Tuesday, March 14, 2023 @ 6:00 pm
- ❖ Regularly Scheduled City Council Meeting – Tuesday, March 14, 2023 @ 7:00 pm

- A. Meeting to discuss pending or potential litigation with legal counsel and to discuss or vote on settlement provided in O.C.G.A. §50-14-2(1).
- ✓ B. Meeting to discuss or vote on authorizing negotiations to purchase, dispose of or lease property as provided in O.C.G.A § 50-14-3(b)(1).
- ✓ C. Meeting to discuss or vote on the acquisition, disposition or lease of real estate by the city O.C.G.A §50-14-3(b)(1).
- ✓ D. Meeting to discuss hiring, compensation, evaluation, or disciplinary action for a specific public officer or employee as provided in O.C.G.A §50-14-3(b)(2).
- ✓ E. Meeting to discuss or interview an applicant to be executive head of a department O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(b)(1).
- F. Meeting to discuss records that are exempt from disclosure 50-14-3(b)(4).

