



POST 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 **NO ACTION TAKEN**

ITEM #2- Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern
Presentation of Safety & Liability Grant Award from GMA Representative Artiffany Stanley
NO ACTION TAKEN

ITEM #3- Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern
Consideration of Health Insurance services and premiums from Anthem Blue Cross & Blue Shield – Shaw Hankins Brokers **APPROVED**

ITEM #4- Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern
Consider CDBG application and time for Public Hearing **POSTPONED**

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 **POSTPONED**

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 **POSTPONED**

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. **APPROVED**

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 **APPROVED**

ITEM #9- Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern
Consider award of bid for tree purchases for the Ga. Tree Council's RELEAF Program **APPROVED**

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
APPROVED

ITEM #11- Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern
Consider appointment of new City director to Recreation Department **APPROVED**

ITEM #12- Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern
Accept 2023 retreat agenda as presented with changes **APPROVED**

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).

