The Mayor and City Council for the City of Weaver, Alabama, met for a regular scheduled Council Meeting on Tuesday, July 23, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. in the Municipal Courtroom at Weaver City Hall, 500 Anniston Street, Weaver, Alabama.

1. **Call to Order** – Mayor Jeff Clendenning called the council meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.
2. **Invocation** – Mayor Jeff Clendenning gave the invocation.
3. **Pledge of Allegiance** – Mayor Jeff Clendenning led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. **Roll Call** – At the direction of Mayor Jeff Clendenning, City Clerk/Treasurer Chasity Whetstone, acting as secretary for the council meeting, called the roll. The following councilmembers were found to be present: Councilmember Clint Burns, Councilmember Tim McRae, Mayor Pro Tempore Nick Bowles, and Councilmember Terri Summerlin. The following were absent: Councilmember Cathy Hamby. With a quorum present, the meeting was open for the transaction of business.
5. **Adoption of Agenda**
	1. City Council Regular Scheduled Meeting – Tuesday, July 23, 2024 – Mayor Clendenning announced that the council had been provided with a copy of the agenda and requested a motion. Councilmember Burns made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Summerlin, to adopt the agenda for the Tuesday, July 23, 2024, regular scheduled city council meeting with amendments adding New Business b. Waste Management Rate Increase and New Business c. Water Rate Increase. Upon vote of the motion, the following votes were recorded: Ayes-All and Nays-None. The motion carried.
6. **Adoption of Previous Meeting Minutes**
	1. City Council Regular Scheduled Meeting – Tuesday, July 9, 2024 – Mayor Clendenning announced that the council had been provided with a copy of the minutes and requested a motion. Mayor Pro Tempore Bowles made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Burns, to dispense with the reading of and adopt the minutes as written for the Tuesday, July 9, 2024, regular scheduled city council meeting. Upon vote of the motion, the following votes were recorded: Ayes-All and Nays-None. The motion carried.
7. **Department Reports**
	1. Public Works Department – Director Jonathan Ingram – Director Ingram reported that in June, Waste Management increased the city’s monthly garbage pick-up rate by one dollar ($1.00) per can, increasing the city’s annual expense by approximately twenty-four thousand dollars ($24,000).
	2. Police Department – Chief Wayne Bush – Chief Bush reported that he received a notice of resignation from a full-time dispatcher, effective in approximately two (2) weeks.
	3. Fire Department/Code Enforcement – Chief Brian Bunn – Chief Bunn reported that the cost for the fire truck radiator repair will be approximately ten thousand dollars ($10,000).
	4. Administrative Department – City Clerk/Treasurer Chasity Whetstone – Mrs. Whetstone reported that the 3rd quarter budget reports were included in the councilmember packets.
8. **Council Reports**
	1. Councilmember Clint Burns – Councilmember Burns had nothing to report.
	2. Councilmember Tim McRae – Councilmember McRae had nothing to report.
	3. Councilmember Cathy Hamby – Councilmember Hamby was absent.
	4. Mayor Pro Tempore Nick Bowles – Mayor Pro Tempore Bowles had nothing to report.
	5. Councilmember Terri Summerlin – Councilmember Summerlin had nothing to report.
9. **Old Business**
	1. City of Weaver Audit – FYE September 30, 2022 – Mayor Clendenning explained that the audit was clean, the council was provided with a copy of the auditor’s letter to management, and the full audit is available for their review.
	2. Certificate of Deposit (CD) with Investar Bank – 4th Quarter – Mayor Clendenning requested to invest $250,000 from the city’s general fund savings account, the same as the three (3) previous quarters, and he asked the wishes of the council. Councilmember Summerlin made a motion, seconded by Councilmember McRae, to authorize Mayor Clendenning to invest $250,000 from the city’s general fund savings account with Investar Bank for twelve (12) months at 4.10% with a 4.18% APY, with Mayor Jeff Clendenning, Mayor Pro Tempore Nick Bowles, and City Clerk/Treasurer Chasity Whetstone as signatories. Upon vote of the motion, the following votes were recorded: Ayes-All and Nays-None. The motion carried.
10. **New Business**
	1. Agreement Between City of Weaver Water Department and Jake Cohen and Joey Martin for Lead Service Line Inventory – Director Ingram explained that these contractors are Grade II Operators who will perform and certify all necessary functions of the inventory for approximately $25,000, to be paid from the Water System Maintenance Fund. Mayor Clendenning asked the wishes of the council. Councilmember McRae made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Bowles, to enter into the agreement. Upon vote of the motion, the following votes were recorded: Ayes-All and Nays-None. The motion carried.
	2. Waste Management Rate Increase – Mayor Clendenning explained that in June, Waste Management increased the city’s monthly garbage pick-up rate by one dollar ($1.00) per can. He asked the wishes of the council. Councilmember Burns made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Bowles, to increase the monthly sanitation charge to customers by fifty cents (50¢) per can, effective the next sanitation billing cycle. Upon vote of the motion, the following votes were recorded: Ayes-All and Nays-None. The motion carried.
	3. Water Rate Increase – Mayor Clendenning explained that he has an idea to increase water rates by five percent (5%) each year over the next five (5) years, effective the first billing cycle of the new fiscal year. He asked the wishes of the council. Mayor Pro Tempore Bowles made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Summerlin, to increase water rates by five percent (5%) each year over the next five (5) years, effective the first billing cycle of the new fiscal year. Mayor Clendenning requested a roll-call vote. Upon vote of the motion, the following votes were recorded: Councilmember Burns-Aye, Councilmember McRae-Aye, Mayor Pro Tempore Bowles-Aye, Councilmember Summerlin-Aye, and Mayor Clendenning-Aye. The motion carried.
11. **Mayor’s Report – Mayor Jeff Clendenning** – Mayor Clendenning reported the following:
	1. He closed the Jacksonville Street land purchase today with Mr. Smith.
	2. The road paving is progressing well.
	3. The county has mostly completed cutting back the overgrowth on the Ladiga Trail.
	4. The county will begin cutting back the overgrowth on the roadways once the trail is complete.
	5. Alabama Power has begun to replace the streetlights with LED lights.
	6. He plans to schedule a budget meeting with department heads in August.
12. **Public Comments** – *There were no public comments to be heard.*
13. **Adjournment** – Mayor Clendenning announced there was no further business before the council and requested a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Summerlin made a motion, seconded by Councilmember McRae, and with all in favor, the meeting was duly adjourned.

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**Jeffrey A. Clendenning, Mayor Attested: Chasity L. Whetstone, City Clerk**