

CITY OF BARNWELL, SOUTH CAROLINA

**MINUTES of the BUDGET WORKSHOP of BARNWELL CITY COUNCIL
June 26, 2023 – 5:00 pm**

MEETING LOCATION:
130 Main Street, Barnwell, SC 29812

Barnwell City Council met in a Special Called Meeting with Mayor Rivera presiding.

Council Members Present: Mayor Marcus Rivera, Mayor Pro Tem Peggy Kinlaw, Councilmembers Ryan Bragg, Alicia Davis, Ron Still, and Louis Claytor

Council Members Absent: Councilmember Jimbo Moody

Others Present: City Administrator Lynn McEwen, City Clerk & Treasurer Kim Vargo, City Attorney Thomas Boulware, Police Chief Lamaz Robinson, PR&T Director Kevin Roberts, Fire Chief Tony Dicks, Assnt. Fire Chief Phillip Delk and Capt. Scotty Hankins.

The press was notified but no members were present.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Rivera called the meeting to order. Councilmember Still led in prayer.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: PERSONNEL-SALARY

Councilmember Bragg made a motion to go into executive session. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Davis and unanimously approved.

Council returned to regular session.

DISCUSSION OF GENERAL FUND BUDGET FOR FY 2024 (EXCLUDING THE STREET DEPT.)

City Administrator McEwen and Clerk & Treasurer Vargo reviewed preliminary budget information for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024, for the General Fund, except for the Street Department. Each department director answered questions regarding specific items in their respective budget. Due to Cascade's closing announcement, the city staff have been

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working to cut the expense budgets as much as possible. Administrator McEwen has recommended that garbage rates be increased as well as taxes increased to what the state will allow. We are still over in expenses at this point.

ADJOURN

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by:



Lynn S. McEwen, Administrator

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