

CITY OF BARNWELL, SOUTH CAROLINA

**MINUTES of the BUDGET WORKSHOP of BARNWELL CITY COUNCIL
June 27, 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, Jimbo Moody and Louis Claytor

Council Members Absent: None absent.

Others Present: City Administrator Lynn McEwen, City Attorney Thomas Boulware, and Public Works Director Philip Stanley

The press was notified but no members were present.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pro Tem Kinlaw called the meeting to order, as the mayor was running late. Councilmember Bragg led in prayer.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: PERSONNEL-SALARY

Councilmember Still 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 WATER AND SEWER BUDGET AND THE STREET DEPT.
EXPENSES FOR FY 2024**

City Administrator McEwen reviewed preliminary budget information for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024, for the Water and Sewer Budget and the Street Department. Public Works Director Stanley answered questions regarding specific items in his individual budgets. Due to Cascade's closing announcement, the city staff have been working to cut the expense budgets as

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much as possible. Administrator McEwen has recommended that water and sewer rates be increased. We have not raised rates in nine years.

Councilmember Still made a statement that he will forego his council member salary before allowing any city employee to lose a raise or lose their job.

ADJOURN

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

Submitted by:



Lynn S. McEwen, Administrator

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