



**MINUTES**  
**CITY COUNCIL MEETING - SPECIAL SESSION**  
**TUESDAY, APRIL 15, 2025 at 9:00 AM**  
**Bonifay City Hall Council Meeting Room – 301 J Harvey Etheridge St.**

---

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Larry Cook called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

**PRESENT**

Mayor Larry Cook  
Council Member James Sellers  
Council Member Shelley Carroll  
Council Member Rick Crews  
Council Member Eddie Dixon

Also present

City Clerk Rickey Callahan, Executive Assistant Sierra Smith, City Attorney Jon Holloway, Chief of Police Johnny Whitaker, and Fire Chief Travis Cook

**A. Invocation**

Ryan Martin gave the invocation.

**B. Pledge of Allegiance**

Ryan Martin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**II. APPROVE AGENDA**

Motion made to approve the agenda by Council Member Crews, Seconded by Council Member Sellers.

Voting Yea: Mayor Cook, Council Member Sellers, Council Member Carroll, Council Member Crews, Council Member Dixon

**III. VISITORS – PUBLIC ADDRESSING THE COUNCIL**

## **NON- AGENDA AUDIENCE**

Effective October 1, 2013, Florida Statute 286.0114 mandates that “members of the public shall be given a reasonable opportunity to be heard on a proposition before a Board or Commission.” Each individual shall have three (3) minutes to speak on the proposition before the Board.

No public participation.

## **IV. PLANNING & ENGINEERING**

Fire Chief Travis Cook stated that a mock disaster drill was held at Holmes Correctional Institution this morning; it was a good learning experience for everyone.

### **A. Melvin Engineering Bid Recommendation - BON25CD**

Executive Assistant Sierra Smith informed the Council Members that 6 bids were received, with Gulf Coast Utility Contractors (GCUC) being the low bidder with the amount of \$915,008.25. The City can award the bid to GCUC or reject all bids and re-advertise the project.

Motion made to accept Melvin Engineering bid recommendation by Council Member Sellers, Seconded by Council Member Dixon.

Voting Yea: Mayor Cook, Council Member Sellers, Council Member Carroll, Council Member Crews, Council Member Dixon

## **V. NEW BUSINESS**

### **A. Fire Station Expansion Lawsuit Settlement Offer**

City Attorney Holloway recommended that the Council accept the Fire Station Expansion Lawsuit Settlement in the amount of \$306,000.

Motion made to accept settlement offer by Council Member Crews, Seconded by Council Member Dixon.

Voting Yea: Mayor Cook, Council Member Sellers, Council Member Carroll, Council Member Crews, Council Member Dixon

## **VI. COUNCIL / DEPARTMENT SUPERVISORS / CITY ATTORNEY DISCUSSION**

Items not listed on Formal Agenda.

### **A. Council Updates**

### **B. Department Updates**

## **VII. ADJOURN**

Motion made for meeting to adjourn by Council Member Crews, Seconded by Council Member Sellers.

Voting Yea: Mayor Cook, Council Member Sellers, Council Member Carroll, Council Member Crews, Council Member Dixon

Mayor Cook declared the meeting adjourned at 9:13 am.

**Persons with disabilities needing special accommodations to participate in this proceeding should contact City Hall at (850) 547-4238, at least five days prior to the proceedings.**