Meeting Called to Order
Welcome – Mayor Brannon   **Prayer** – Curtis Roland   **Pledge of Allegiance** – Billy Mauldin

Official Roll Call
Steve Brannon (Mayor) Present
Steve Fain (Post 1) Present   **Junior Holsomback** (Post 2) Present
Jerry Mauldin (Mayor Pro-Tem **-** Post 3) – Present   **Billy Mauldin** (Post 4) Present
Haley Black (City Clerk) Present
Herman Clark (City Attorney) Absent
Members of the Community – 7

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes
Motion: Steve Fain   Second: Jr Holsomback   All in favor.

Announcements & Updates

- May 20th is a fun day scheduled in Tate Park. (Holly or Haley) – Holly reported a successful fun day in the park. Thank you to Huber for sponsoring the bounce house for the kids, and all our vendors. This year we were able to add live music and a bounce house.
- Thank you letter to Fairmount PD from Sacramento DA for special arrest in Fairmount. - Fairmount PD was able to assist Sacramento County PD with a 6-month investigation into gun smuggling and gang shootings. The final suspect was arrested in Fairmount and taken in without incident.
- 2023 (GOMI) Government Management Indicators Survey is complete and submitted.
- 2022 Audit is underway. – Auditors were at City Hall for 3 weeks conducting the 2022 audit. They projected it to be completed on time this year.
- Payroll audit is completed. To determine Workers Compensation amount.

Additional Announcements:

- Meeting July 4th – Change to July 5th. Motion made by Jerry Mauldin, Second Billy Mauldin, all in favor of moving the July 4th council meeting to Wednesday, July 5th.
- Annual Consumer report for water services is complete and posted at City Hall. Notice will also be published on customers' July water bill.
- Tennis Court Update: The City has begun the project of resurfacing the basketball court and tennis courts at the park. Workers have begun the process of filling the cracks to prepare for the sealcoat. In addition to a tennis court, the park will now offer a pickleball court as well. This project is funded by SPLOST money.

New Business
1. 2024 SPLOST categories with percentages have been submitted. Awaiting the next meeting. – Motion made by Jr Holsomback to accept the SPLOST percentages and categories, and to give Mayor authorization to sign SPLOST letter. Motion seconded by Billy Mauldin, all in favor. County estimates Fairmount's share for the upcoming SPLOST to be over 1 million dollars. County also said they would give an estimated $100,000 in contributions to Fairmount. Collections will begin May 2024.
2. Delinquent tax list published. Delinquent letters have been sent out. Next step is FIFA. – Past due notices have brought in some payments. Taxpayers have until June 15th to settle their tax debt, or the city will place a FIFA on the property and use further collection efforts.
3. The City of Calhoun has announced and added a 3.5% increase to water customers. They are asking for the City's increase, if any, so they can add it to their database. Pickens county will follow suit. – Some discussion over water rates, no word yet from Pickens County about a rate increase.

Citizen Comments or Concerns

(No one signed up to speak)

- ❖ Billy Mauldin: Liquor Sales. Councilman Mauldin has been approached and questioned by someone wanting to sale liquor in the city limits. Currently, Fairmount does not allow the sale of liquor. Mayor advised before doing anything, there would need to be a public vote to see if the people want it.

- ❖ Jr. Holsomback: He has received a lot of inquiries about the bank building. People want to lease it, rent it, buy it. He proposed the city sale the building. After some discussion about how to sale the building, with emphasis on keeping an easement to access the sewer line, council decided to get together the deed and plat (if applicable) and further discussion will be made.

Adjourn
<u>Motion:</u> Billy Mauldin   <u>Second:</u> Jr Holsomback   <u>Ruling:</u> All in Favor   <u>Meeting adjourned</u>: 6:50 pm

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Steve Brannon, Mayor   Haley Black, City Clerk

Date: _____