

CALLED MEETING  
April 29, 2014

PRESENT: Mayor Brandon Johnson, Councilmembers Tony Haynie, Arthur Craft, Billy Ethridge, Tray Hicks, Bill Griggs, and Mike MacNabb. Also present were City Manager David Aldrich, City Clerk Jean Turner, Lauren Peeples of the Hartwell Sun, and Carey Jackson of Skelton-Morris Associates.

Upon being duly called and advertised, the Hartwell City Council met in special called session on Tuesday, April 29, 2014 in the council chambers of city hall. Mayor Johnson called the meeting to order at approximately 4:00 p.m. and stated the purpose of the meeting was to discuss health insurance and the Rural Economic Development Loan & Grant (REDLG) program.

City Manager David Aldrich explained that the City had looked at options for the City's health insurance. In looking at self-insured vs. fully insured, he stated that it appeared that fully insured was completely out of line.

Mr. Carey Jackson of Skelton-Morris Associates explained that he had looked at several plans, both fully insured and self-funded, and it was determined that the Group Resources renewal was the best available option. It is recommended that the deductible be increased from \$750 to \$1500 for individual coverage and from \$1,500 to \$3,000 for family coverage. It was also stated that the employee contribution may have to be increased next year.

Following discussion, a motion was made by Councilman Haynie to remain with the current insurance provider (Group Resources), with an increase in deductible as recommended. Motion was seconded by Councilman MacNabb and carried unanimously.

Following discussion, a motion was made by Councilman Hicks to authorize the Mayor's signature on a Resolution authorizing application for a Rural Economic Development Loan and Grant in the amount of \$750,000 in association with the proposed Oakview Crossing project. Motion was seconded by Councilman Craft and carried unanimously.

There being no further business to come before Mayor and Council, a motion was made by Councilman Hicks to adjourn at approximately 4:15 p.m. Motion was seconded by Councilman Griggs and carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Turner  
City Clerk

