



## Blakely City Council Minutes

Work Session

July 6, 2021, City Hall, 5:00 P.M.

Let the record reflect that Mayor Travis Wimbush, Councilmember Margaret Davis, Councilmember Ray Jarrett and Councilmember Brad Clenney were present. Councilmember Al Hutchins was not present. The City Clerk Melinda Crook was also present

### I. Vac Truck Presentations

Representatives from VacCon (Adams Equipment) came before the Mayor and Council to give a presentation of their product. Todd gave a brief history of the company and the evolution of the vac truck from the first purchase the City had made with them to now. He informed the Council of the features on the truck and of the fuel savings with some of these features. The GA rep spoke of the walk around that had been done that day. He also stated that they were only three hours away regarding the maintenance of the vac truck that could be done and is being done. He spoke on the difference between the dual axle and single axle. He also spoke on the buy back option. The Mayor question the delivery time to which the Mayor and Council were informed would be 60-90 days.

Representative from Vactor addressed the Mayor and Council. They discussed their service to their customers, maintenance on the truck and rental options. They spoke on the resale value of their trucks and about the tandem axle. They spoke of a boom option that is probably not included on other trucks and the safety of this feature. They spoke of the onsite maintenance options and that they provide loaners if their time estimates are not met. The Mayor questioned their delivery time to which he was told probably the end of October to the end of the year but hoped that they could do 90 days but that it would depend on the chasis. The Mayor questioned their turn key option and if it would be available if not chosen initially. The rep stated that the decision would need to be made by the delivery date. There was more discussion regarding the buyback option.

Shane Stephens from Jet-Vac, addressed the Mayor and Council on their vac truck. He spoke on the features of their product. He also spoke on the buyback option and warranty items. The Mayor questioned their delivery time to which Mr. Stephens stated would be by December 2021. Mr. Stephens stated that their long term maintenance is minimal. The Mayor questioned the cameras stating that he knew it came with front and rear but could side cameras be installed also.

After all the presentations the Mayor and Council discussed what had been talked about from the employees after the demonstrations of each of the vac trucks.



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Angie Carter addressed the Mayor and Council briefly about Survival Flight. She spoke about the air flight benefit. She gave the Mayor and Council the group cost of \$40 per employee per year and stated that this covered everyone in the house. She briefly explained their flight staff and the areas they work in 75 to 90 mile radius. Chief Caudill spoke briefly on how he felt that this could be an added benefit the City could offer to help get new employees. Ms. Carter would address more in the regular meeting due to being on the agenda

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Travis Wimbush, Mayor