**City of Sandersville Budget Retreat Meeting Minutes**

**November 7, 2024 – 5:00 P.M.**

**Fire Department Training Room**

Council Members and City Employees present:

Mayor Jimmy Andrews Victor Cuyler, Police Chief

Mayor Pro Tem Jeffery Smith Lee Waddell, IT Director

Council Member Mayme Dennis Leslie Williams, Finance Director

Council Member Deborah Brown Bryan Long, Electric Department Director

Council Member Danny Brown joined @ 5:50 Nathan Riner, Volunteer Assistant Fire Chief

Council Member Ben Salter Carson Daley, Mainstreet & DDA Director

Keenan Howard, City Attorney Alex Lowe, Water Director

Sharon Eveland, City Manager Jason Boatright, Fire Chief

Gloria Waller, Assistant City Clerk left @ 5:30 Dave Larson, Community Development Director

Kandice Hartley, City Clerk joined @ 5:30

Mayor Andrews called the November 7, 2024 Budget Retreat of the Sandersville City Council to order at 4 p.m.

City Manager Eveland did an overview of current fiscal year revenues and expenses and expectations for 2025. City Manager Eveland then reviewed the recommended 2025 budget assumptions with the council. City Manager Eveland discussed the proposal of a contingency account. The council had questions regarding these funds and explained that the limits on the contingency account would need to adhere to the city manager spending limits as stated in the procurement policy. City Manager Eveland then explained the different millage rates and the revenues that would be created at the different rates of 4.15, 4.30, and 4.60. The council had discussion regarding the millage rate and felt comfortable with 4.30 mills. City Manager reviewed capital projects for each department with the council. City Manager Eveland then explained other proposals including a one time payment of $100,000 to the DDA for a new roof on the ice house building, and $25,000 to the Development Authority.

 James W. Andrews, Mayor

 Kandice Hartley, City Clerk

 Date Approved