## MONTICELLO CITY COUNCIL

Called Meeting/Work Session Tuesday, January 28, 2020 MINUTES 5:30 P.M. Work Session

**Members Present** –Mayor Pro Tem Gail Harrell, Councilmembers David Wease, Cynthia Miller, Jenny Murphy, and Larry Thurman. Mayor Bryan Standifer was unable to attend.

**Staff Present** – City Manager Timothy Young and City Clerk, Karen Pennamon

**Media Present** – None

Citizens Present – None

**Called Meeting/Work Session** - Mayor Pro Tem Gail Harrell called the meeting to order. Councilmember David Wease offered the invocation. City Clerk Karen Pennamon called the roll.

**Agenda Approval**- Request by Mayor Pro Tem Gail Harrell to add phone etiquette as Item 4a, Request by Councilmember Larry Thurman to add holiday schedule as Item 4b, Request by Councilmember Cynthia Miller to add Mine Lake Grant as Item 6a.

**Mike Leverett Blockstream Discussion** – Mike Leverett, Blockstream, briefed the Council on the background of Blockstream and on how it generates revenue for the City of Monticello.

**Year to Date Budget Review** – City Manager Tim Young presented a year to date budget analysis to the City Council. In it, he stated that the City of Monticello has performed well to budget but to continue to watch expenses and revenue. There is no need to amend the budget at this time.

**Lunch Hour Coverage** -Council discussed the lunch hour coverage at City Hall. Their consensus is for City Hall to remain open even during the lunch period. Tim Young and Karen Pennamon will work on schedule with the staff to ensure coverage during traditional lunch hours.

**Telephone Etiquette** – Council discussed telephone etiquette at City Hall.

**Holiday Schedule** – Council discussed the 2020 Holiday Schedule.

**Code Enforcement** – City Manager Tim Young stated that Mayor Standifer and the County Commission Chairman Bruce Henry met to discuss developing a process for code enforcement with the city and county. He added that he and the County Manager Mike Benton would take the lead in developing a data-driven way to solve this problem.

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**Board Appointments** – City Clerk Karen Pennamon discussed and updated the appointed board list with Council.

Mine Lake Grant – Council and City Manager Tim Young discussed the grant pre-application submitted for Georgia Outdoor Stewardship Program. The program is administered by the Georgia Department of Natural Resource and assist with projects for state and local parks and trails. The Council would use the funds to develop the Mine Lake property. The City of Monticello will be notified if it is approved for the second-level application. The final approval of projects is Summer 2020.

## **Council Comments**

Councilmember Wease- No comment.
Councilmember Miller- No comment.
Councilmember Murphy- No comment.
Councilmember Thurman- No comment
Mayor Pro Tem-Elect Harrell -No Comment

Meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

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