

MONTICELLO CITY COUNCIL

Regular Session

Tuesday December 11, 2018

6:00 P.M.

Minutes

Members Present –Mayor Bryan Standifer, Mayor Pro Tem Stone Workman, Council members David Wease, Jenny Murphy, Larry Thurman and Cynthia Miller

Staff Present City Manager Roger Harrison, City Clerk LaThaydra Sands, Gas Operation Manager Ronnie Stovall, City Services Manager Waymon Cody.

Media Present – Kathy Mudd

Regular Session - Mayor Standifer called the meeting to order. Mayor Pro Tem Workman offered the invocation. City Clerk LaThaydra Sands called the roll.

Agenda Approval – Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Workman to approve the agenda, removing economic development from executive session, seconded by Council member Murphy. All in favor 5-0.

Citizens Present- Tracey McMichael, Stephanie Puckett, Bobby Sutton, Mike Benton and Reverend William Gibson.

Citizen Comments- Stephanie Puckett (Venture Court) expressed her concern about an erosion issue at the beginning of Venture Court. She stated the area around the gas main is clogging up the street drain with red mud. She requested the area around the drain be cleaned out with a shovel, add grass seeds and bails of straw. She also stated that she had encountered a flagging issue on Funderburg Drive.

City Manager Roger Harrison assured Ms. Puckett that the issue on Venture Court would be resolved by the of the week.

DDA Update- Pam Mayer stated that the Chamber of Commerce President’s position has been filled by Mandi Tanner. After December 31, 2018 she will continue to serve as Director of Downtown Development Authority working at least 10 hours per week. Effective January 1, 2019 Downtown Monticello will be a Rural Opportunity Zone. DDA will issue a press release and send out post cards.

2019 Alcohol License-

- a. Reese Hall- Beer and Wine Pouring-421 E. Greene St.
- b. Hide a way Packaging-Package Sale of Alcohol, beer, wine and malt beverages 10 Towhee St
- c. McMichael Packaging -Package sale of alcohol, beer, wine and malt beverages-158 Frobel St.

d. El Giro Mexican Restaurant -Beer and wine Pouring-1196 147th St.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Workman to approve the renewals of the following locations- Reese Hall, Hide a Way Packaging, McMichael Packaging and El Giro Mexican restaurant, seconded by Council member Wease. All in favor 5-0.

Station 3 Fire Department 185 Hwy 212 W- Mayor Pro Tem Workman discussed his concerns regarding the City paying utilities for Station 3 Fire Department after the Service Delivery Strategy states January 1, 2019 Jasper County is responsible for all Fire Stations/Departments.

Mayor Pro Tem Workman suggested completely turning over the building to the County beginning January 1, 2019, along with billing the fire department utility services. He stated that there also should be a stipulation stating that if the building is not used for fire department within the city, that it reverts to the City of Monticello property.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Workman to start billing Jasper County Board of Commissioners for Electric and Gas at Station 3 (185 Hwy 212 W) January 1, 2019, seconded by Council member Murphy. Vote 4-1 with Council member Wease voting against the motion.

Approval of 2019 Meeting Dates- Proposed 2019 Holiday Schedule

New Year's Day	Tuesday	January 1, 2019
Martin Luther King Jr. Day	Monday	January 21, 2019
Good Friday	Friday	April 19, 2019
Memorial Day	Monday	May 27, 2019
Independence Day	Thursday	July 4, 2019
Labor Day	Monday	September 02, 2019
Veteran's Day	Monday	November 11, 2019
Thanksgiving Day	Thursday	November 28, 2019
Thanksgiving	Friday	November 29, 2019
Christmas Eve	Tuesday	December 24, 2019
Christmas Day	Wednesday	December 25, 2019

Approval of 2019 Meeting Dates

January 8, 2019
February 12, 2019
March 12, 2019
April 9, 2019
May 14, 2019
June 11, 2019
July 9, 2019
August 13, 2019

September 10, 2019
 October 8, 2019
 November 12, 2019
 December 10, 2019

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Workman to approve the 2019 Holiday and Meeting Schedule, seconded by Council member Wease. All in favor 5-0.

Staff Items-

a. Gas Authority bond approval

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Workman to approve Gas Authority Bond verification, seconded by council member Murphy. All in favor 5-0.

b. GMA Lease Approval-

Department	Requested item	Amount	Notes
Water Plant	2018 Dodge Ram 1500	\$24,856.00	
Water Distribution	2018 Ford F350	\$50,091.00	
Water Distribution	2019 F250 Super cab 4x4	\$36,371.00	
Sewer/Street	2019 F250 Super cab 4x4	\$36,371.00	
Street	2019 Chipper Truck	\$91,906.00	
Electric	2018 3500 Dodge	\$47,243.00	
	2019 International bucket		
Electric	Truck	\$179,859.00	
Gas	2018 Dodge Ram 1500	\$24,856.00	
Maintenance	2018 Dodge Ram 1500	\$24,856.00	
Total		\$516,409.00	1/2 for FY19
			\$56,407.92

Motion by Council member Murphy to approve the GMA lease agreement, seconded by council member Miller. All in favor 5-0.

c. Purchase order/ Invoice approvals

- Richard Hartley- Audit Services \$8,135.00
- Hewitt Utility Economic Services- \$2,925.00

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Workman to approve invoices for Richard Hartley and Hewitt Utility Economic Services, seconded by Council member Thurman. All in favor 5-0.

City Manager Updates

- a. **GDOT park to park project-** City Manager Roger Harrison stated that the contract has been finalized, the contractors will begin after January 1, 2019. Project will be completed within four months.
- b. **Security Camera Installations-** City Manager Roger Harrison is waiting on the quotes for security cameras at the parks. Only issue is that there is no building or internet available at West view park.

- c. **Advanced Disposal rate-** Advanced Disposal is adjusting their monthly fee by 2.5% per the agreement under the First Amendment, Section 3, we are allowed an annual rate adjustment due to changes in CPI.
- d. **Other updates-** Commemorative Bricks are scheduled to be installed before Christmas on the square. Ameris Bank wired the funds to Newton Federal. Also, the City has opened additional money market accounts that will bring in an extra \$23,000 per year.

Executive Session-Personnel- Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Workman to enter into executive session to discuss personnel, seconded by Council member Miller. All in favor 5-0.

Entered into executive session at 7:00 p.m.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Work to return to regular session, seconded by Council member Murphy. All in favor 5-0.

Entered back into regular session at 7:17 p.m.

Consent Agenda-

Minutes of November 13, 2018 and November 27, 2018 and payables of \$570,995.43 (includes ACH drafts: ECG \$4,756.00 MGAG \$65,418.02, MEAG \$159,723.99 and GEFA \$16,703.03)

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Workman to approve December's consent agenda, seconded by Council member Murphy. All in favor 5-0.

Council Comments:

Council member Wease- stated asked that everyone remembers the reason for the season. He also stated that Roger Harrison was a great choice for City Manager.

Council member Thurman- none

*Council member Miller-*stated Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. She also Thanked Roger Harrison for the wonderful job.

Council member Murphy- stated that she is looking forward to light up Monticello.

Mayor Pro Tem Workman- stated Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. He expressed his appreciation for Pam's hard work with economic development.

Mayor Standifer- stated Merry Christmas. By the grace of God 2018 has ended and we are preparing for 2019. First meeting of the year is scheduled for January 8, 2019. This meeting will have a short agenda covering the charter appointments. He stated that he prays everyone has a safe holiday season, and encouraged each member to attend the employee luncheon on December 21st at 12:30 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m.