

MONTICELLO CITY COUNCIL
CALLED MEETING
October 15, 2020
MINUTES
6:00 P.M.

Members Present – Mayor Bryan Standifer, Mayor Pro Tem Gail Harrell, Councilmembers David Wease, Cynthia Miller, Jenny Murphy, and Larry Thurman

Staff Present – City Manager Angela Redding and City Clerk Karen Pennamon, City Accountant Carnethia Pennamon

Media Present – Kathy Mudd, Editor, Monticello News

Called Session – Mayor Bryan Standifer called the meeting to order. The Invocation was given by Mayor Pro Tem Harrell followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. City Clerk Karen Pennamon called the roll

Agenda Approval – Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Harrell to remove Item 6 – Executive Session from the agenda. Motion by Councilmember Murphy to approve the amended agenda, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Harrell. Voting for the motion was unanimous.

Agenda Items

- 5. FY20 Quarterly Financial Review** – City Manager, Angela Redding discussed the revenues and expenditures through September 30, 2020. The Amended Budget, Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures, and Cash Flow Analysis were provided to the Council. City Manager Redding explained the revenue stream comes in at different times throughout the year. The revenue peaks shown in October are due to insurance disbursements and other revenues. According to the graph, we are behind from 2017 and 2018. In the next quarter you will see an increase in revenue. City Accountant Pennamon explained that the bulk of the taxes is received between October and December and the occupational license and alcohol license are from December through March. City Manager Redding explained that the 12.14% of the total taxes is where we should be at this point in time because we have not started receiving property taxes yet. Mayor and Council discussed the Mine budget. City Manager Redding stated that journal entries would be done to remove some entries such as cleaning of the build. Councilmember Miller stated that she thought the money for Mine Lake was not from Contingency but from Blockstream. City Manager

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Redding stated that there was \$150,000 that was in the budget and the budget was amended. We removed \$150,000 from Mine Lake and some funding from Contingency to help cover the error that was in the Electric Department. Initially the \$150,000 came from the General Fund. Councilmember Miller stated that it was supposed to come out of Blockstream. City Manager Redding stated no funds were removed from the Blockstream account. Councilmember Miller stated that this is citizens money and so is Mine Lake so it should not have been taken from somewhere else. City Account Pennamon stated all funds are still there for Blockstream. City Manager Redding stated that in preparation for the next budget that they do not have general supplies line in the legislative department and food will go in the City Manager's line item. She will be looking over the contract for Harris Government, the provider for CSI. This system has been in place since 2006 and we are paying them approximately \$20,000.00 per year. City Manager Redding stated they had received two quotes for limb service from Benton Tree Service and Morrell. It is \$1,000 per day for Benton and \$1,200 for Morrell. Motion by Councilmember Wease to award contract for limb removal to Benton Tree Service not to exceed \$2000.00, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Harrell. The funds will be appropriated from contract labor in the Street Department budget. Voting for the motion was unanimous. The Get Ahead House is asking for additional funds for employee salaries. We use some contract labor for the City Parks but will be locating funding for benches and other items. We need to sign a memorandum of understanding with the Chamber of Commerce. The Gas Department is advertising to increase gas sales but we have not received any rebates. City Manager Redding and City Council discussed the City accounts balances and employee insurance plans.

6. Executive Session for Personnel, Litigation, Real Estate, and Legal Matters – N/A

7. Comments by the Governing Body

Mayor Pro Tem Harrell – No comments.

Councilmember Wease – No comments.

Councilmember Miller – No comments.

Councilmember Murphy – No comments.

Councilmember Thurman – No comments.

8. Meeting adjourned at 6:12 p.m.

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