

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE MONTEZUMA
CITY COUNCIL

August 14, 2007

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Willie J. Larry called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M.

INVOCATION: The invocation was given by Mayor Larry

PRESENT: Mayor Willie J. Larry; Council Members; Charles Glover, Frank Lester, Roy Barker, Jim Trask, Charles Ivey and Cordel Jackson; City Clerk, Joyce Hardy; Fire Chief, David Trussell; City Attorney, Jon Coogle.

ABSENT:

ACTIONS

MOTION #1 TO ACCEPT MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF JULY 10, 2007 AS RECEIVED BY ALL MEMBERS.

MOTION BY: Mr. Lester
SECOND BY: Mr. Glover
VOTE: Unanimous in Favor Of

MOTION #2 TO ADOPT ORDINANCE #357 CITY CODE, APPENDIX A TO CHANGE ANNUAL EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE APPRAISAL PERIOD TO COINCIDE WITH BUDGET PROCESS. *A copy of Ordinance #357 is attached to and made a part of these Minutes. Attachment #1*

MOTION BY: Mr. Lester
SECOND BY: Mr. Barker
VOTE: Unanimous in Favor Of

MOTION #3 TO SET ALLEN'S SEWER RATE FOR THE FRESH PLANT AT \$2.59 PER 1,000 GALLONS THROUGH THE JANUARY, 2008 BILLING FOR EACH MONTH THAT CITY PROCESSES AT LEAST 1,000,000 GALLONS OF ALLEN'S WASTEWATER AND IF FOR ANY MONTH ALLEN'S FAILS TO SEND AT LEAST 1,000,000 GALLONS OF WASTEWATER TO SP#2, THEN THE RATE FOR THAT MONTH SHALL BE THE SAME AS ALL OTHER INDUSTRIAL USERS (CURRENTLY \$4.20 PER 1,000 GALLONS).

MOTION BY: Mr. Trask
SECOND BY: Mr. Lester
VOTE: Unanimous in Favor Of

MOTION #4 **TO AUTHORIZE PAYMENT TO P & H SUPPLY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$47,599 FOR PURCHASE OF SEWER JET.** Funds for the purchase are budgeted in the SPLOST Capital Purchases Account. Amount budgeted - \$49,000.

MOTION BY: Mr. Jackson
SECOND BY: Mr. Barker
VOTE: Unanimous in Favor Of

MOTION #5 **TO AWARD CONTRACT FOR INDEPENDENT AUDIT OF CITY FINANCES FOR FY2007, FY2008 AND FY2009 TO LOW BIDDER, MAULDIN AND JENKINS AT THE LOW BID AMOUNT OF \$21,000 (FY2007), \$23,000 (FY2008) AND \$23,000 (FY2009).**

MOTION BY: Mr. Lester
SECOND BY: Mr. Trask
VOTE: Unanimous in Favor Of

MOTION #6 **TO TRANSFER OWNERSHIP OF THE RECENTLY ACQUIRED BUILDING DOWNTOWN, FORMERLY KNOWN AS JEWELRY AND GIFTS GALORE BUILDING, FROM THE CITY TO THE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY.**

MOTION BY: Mr. Lester
SECOND BY: Mr. Trask
VOTE: Unanimous in Favor Of

MOTION #7 **TO AWARD PROJECT #18 OF THE SPLOST PAVING PROJECTS, CONSISTING OF PAVING LIMB PIT ROAD FROM EXISTING GRAVEL ROADWAY TO THE LIMB PIT, TO OTIS SIMMONS COMPANY AT A TOTAL COST OF \$82,901 AND PAYMENT OF \$4,5000 TO CARTER & SLOOPE FOR ENGINEERING THIS PROJECT.**

MOTION BY: Mr. Glover
SECOND BY: Mr. Lester
VOTE: Unanimous in Favor Of

MOTION #8 **TO APPROVE CONSTRUCTION OF A FENCE FOR WP#1, AS REQUIRED BY EPD, AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED**

\$11,150 AND BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR DIFFERENCE IN BUDGETED AMOUNT (\$6,000) AND ACTUAL AMOUNT (\$11,150).

MOTION BY: Mr. Ivey
SECOND BY: Mr. Lester
VOTE: Unanimous in Favor Of

MOTION #9 TO APPROVE PURCHASE A RIDING LAWNMOWER FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT FROM MONTEZUMA WELDING AT A TOTAL COST OF \$1,839.66. This purchase will not require additional appropriation of funds.

MOTION BY: Mr. Jackson
SECOND BY: Mr. Lester
VOTE: Unanimous in Favor Of

COMMITTEE REPORTS

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Larry reported on the following issues: 1) Mayor has written a letter, with the guidance of Representative James and Senator Hooks, to a higher authority at Norfolk Southern requesting immediate repair of the downtown railroad crossing. Letter was faxed earlier today. 2) Macon County must take the lead in any recreation programs for the County's youths. 3) Mayor Larry recently completed the Advanced Leadership Course offered by the University of Georgia for elected officials.

FIRE & EMERGENCY SERVICES COMMITTEE – COUNCIL MEMBER JACKSON

No Report

POLICE COMMITTEE – COUNCIL MEMBER IVEY

No Report.

WATER & SEWER UTILITIES COMMITTEE – COUNCIL MEMBER TRASK

No Report.

STREETS, SANITATION CEMETERY & PARKS COMMITTEE – COUNCIL MEMBER GLOVER

No Report

**FINANCE, PERSONNEL & BUDGET COMMITTEE – COUNCIL MEMBER
LESTER**

Mr. Lester announced the final FY2008 budget work session that will be held at 6:00 on Thursday, August 16th.

PUBLIC PROPERTIES COMMITTEE – COUNCIL MEMBER BARKER

Mr. Barker reported that the only way to minimize the black bird problem is to push up and plow the bamboo plants down. Even that will not eliminate the problem but should greatly reduce it.

ADJOURN: With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Willie J. Larry – Mayor

Joyce H. Hardy – City Clerk