

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE MONTEZUMA
CITY COUNCIL
January 16, 2024

OATH OF OFFICE: The City Attorney, Jon Coogle issued the "Oath of Office" to Incoming Council Member, Marie Took who was elected to Montezuma City Council in the November 7, 2023, election. The oath took place before the council meeting @ 5:45 PM.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

INVOCATION: Attendees stood as Councilman Ivey led in prayer, then said the "Pledge of Allegiance" in unison.

PRESENT: Mayor Nealie Johnson; Council Members: Mayor Pro Tempore Cleveland Hobbs; Walter Felton, Daniel Porter, Howard Brown, Marie Took and Charles Ivey; City Manager, Mel Fulghom; City Clerk, Jennifer McCarthy; Police Chief, Eric Finch; W/WW Plants Chief, Terry Cross; W & S Line Maintenance Chief, Lonnie Shaw; Public Works Chief, Tim Goodman; Economic Development/Tourism Coordinator, Angie Mathews

ABSENT: City Attorney, Jon Coogle and Fire Chief, Roy Yoder

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Citizen #1: Billy Shelley referred to the railroad track being rough next to 213 Spaulding Rd. Mr. Shelley was informed that this railroad belongs to CSX.

SPECIAL ORDERS
Elect Mayor Pro-Tempore 2024

Mayor opens nominations: CM Brown nominated CM Hobbs.
CM Ivey nominated CM Porter.

No other nominations were submitted.

Mayor calls for a vote:

2 Votes for Mr. Hobbs: Mr. Brown and Mr. Hobbs

4 Votes for Mr. Porter: Mr. Ivey, Mr. Felton, Mr. Porter, and Ms. Took

Mr. Daniel Porter is our newly elected Mayor Pro-Tempore 2024

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION # 1 To accept all issues on the consent agenda, as follows:

To Approve minutes of council meeting of December 28, 2023, as received by all members.

To Adopt Resolution #726 to Approve Third Modification of Promissory Note and Loan Agreement-Loan Project #DW2019013. To amend the promissory note that allows the city to borrow up to \$1,265,000.00 from the Drinking Water State Revolving Loan Fund, administered by Georgia Environmental Finance Authority to replace leaking water main, install an advanced metering infrastructure system, and related appurtenances with the balance of funds to be applied to CDBG 20, Project #DWDRA20002.

CDBG24 Engineering Contract – A motion is made to enter a contract with Still Waters Engineering to provide engineering services for the CDBG2024 if funded. Still Waters Engineering will also assist the City of Montezuma with preparing the 2024 CDBG Application. Still Waters Engineering was chosen “because they have provided many years of good service to the City of Montezuma”.

MOTION BY: Mr. Hobbs

SECOND BY: Mr. Porter

VOTE: UNANIMOUS, IN FAVOR OF

ADJOURN: With no further business, the meeting adjourned.



Nealie L. Johnson - Mayor



Jennifer McCarthy – City Clerk



Resolution #726

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR & COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONTEZUMA TO MODIFY THE FORM, TERMS AND CONDITIONS IN A THIRD MODIFICATION AGREEMENT LOAN NUMBER DW2019013

WHEREAS, the governing authority of the City of Montezuma, ("Borrower") has borrowed \$1,265,000 from the GEORGIA ENVIRONMENTAL FACILITIES AUTHORITY (the "Lender"), pursuant to the terms of the Loan Agreement (the "Loan Agreement"), dated DECEMBER 10, 2019, between the Borrower and the Lender; and

WHEREAS, the Borrower's obligation to repay the loan made pursuant to the Loan Agreement is evidenced by a Promissory Note (the "Note"), dated NOVEMBER 14, 2019, of the Borrower; and

WHEREAS, the Borrower and Lender have determined to amend and modify the Note and the Loan Agreement, pursuant to the terms of a Third Modification of Promissory Note and Loan Agreement (the "Third Modification") between the Borrower and Lender, the form of which has been presented to this meeting;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the governing body of the Borrower that the form, terms, and conditions and the execution, delivery, and performance of the Second Modification are hereby approved and authorized.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the governing body of the Borrower that the terms of the Second Modification are in the best interests of the Borrower, and the governing body of the Borrower designates and authorizes the following persons to execute and deliver, and to attest, respectively, the Second Modification, and any related documents necessary to the consummation of the transactions contemplated by the second Modification.

Person to Execute Documents	Nealie L. Johnson	Mayor
Person to Attest Documents	Jennifer F. McCarthy	City Clerk

So resolved this 16th day of January 2024 by a vote of 6 for and 0 against.

By: Nealie L. Johnson
Nealie L. Johnson - Mayor

ATTEST: Jennifer F. McCarthy
Jennifer F. McCarthy - City Clerk

