

**MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE MONTEZUMA  
CITY COUNCIL**

January 12, 2016

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Larry Smith called the meeting to order promptly at 6:00 p.m.

**INVOCATION:** The invocation was given by Mayor Smith.

**PRESENT:** Mayor Larry Smith; Council Members; Mel Fulghom, Bessie Warren, Daniel Levie, Angie Mathews, Roy Barker, and Charles Ivey; Clerk/Administrator, Joyce Hardy; Clerk of Council/Accounting Clerk, Monica N. Cephus; Fire Chief, David Trussell; Police Chief Eric Finch; Chief of Public Works Marcel Jackson; and City Attorney, Jon Coogle.

**ABSENT:** Water/Wastewater Chief Jim Copland.

**SPECIAL ACTIONS**

**MOTION #1**                    **TO ACCEPT NOMINATIONS FROM COUNCIL FOR THE OFFICE OF MAYOR PRO-TEMPORE FOR 2016.**

**NOMINATIONS:**                    **Bessie Warren**

MOTION BY:                    Mr. Ivey  
SECOND BY:                    Mr. Levie

**TO CLOSE NOMINATIONS**

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

VOTE WAS THEN TAKEN BY SHOW OF RAISED HANDS WITH RESULTS, AS FOLLOWS:

VOTES FOR BESSIE WARREN- Unanimous In Favor with Mrs. Warren Abstaining from Vote

**MOTION #2** TO RENEW LEASE AGREEMENT WITH MENS CIVIC CLUB FOR LEASE OF A. M. FIELDS CENTER & MACON COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY FOR DEPOT FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2016.

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

**MOTION #3** TO TERMINATE EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT DATED JANUARY 1, 2002, BETWEEN THE CITY AND POLICE CHIEF, ERIC FINCH, IMMEDIATELY AND APPOINT ERIC FINCH AS POLICE CHIEF, REGULAR EMPLOYEE SIMULTANEOUSLY & TERMINATE CONTRACT DATED JANUARY 1, 2004, BETWEEN CITY AND MMAC/RURAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES, LLC, IMMEDIATELY AND APPOINT JOYCE H. HARDY AS CLERK/ADMINISTRATOR, REGULAR EMPLOYEE SIMULTANEOUSLY. *Current Salaries to remain the same (\$54,545 annually each)*

MOTION BY: Mr. Ivey  
SECOND BY: Mr. Fulghom  
VOTE: PASSED WITH THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

<b>IN FAVOR OF</b>	<b>AGAINST</b>
MR. FULGHOM	MRS. MATHEWS
MRS. WARREN	
MR. LEVIE	
MR. BARKER	
MR. IVEY	

**MOTION #4** TO APPROVE MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF DECEMBER 29, 2015, AS RECEIVED BY ALL MEMBERS.

MOTION BY: Mrs. Mathews  
SECOND BY: Mrs. Warren  
VOTE: Unanimous in Favor Of

**MOTION #5** TO ADD EXECUTIVE SESSION TO THE AGENDA

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

**MOTION #6** TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS A PERSONNEL MATTER.

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

**ADJOURN:**

FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE SESSION, MEETING WAS RECONVENED AND WITH NO FURTHER ACTION TAKEN, MEETING WAS ADJOURNED.

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Larry Smith - Mayor

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Clerk/Administrator - Joyce Hardy