

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE MONTEZUMA
CITY COUNCIL

August 12, 2003

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; Carl Adams, Cordel Jackson, Charles Glover, Bobby Hildreth, Roy Barker, and Marvin Edwards; City Clerk, Joyce Hardy; Fire Chief, David Trussell; Police Chief, Eric Finch; W & S Chief, Ben Rhoden; Librarian, Lucy Warnock and City Attorney, Jon Coogle.

ABSENT: Ben Coogle, PW Chief was on vacation.

MOTION #1 TO ACCEPT MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF JULY 8, 2003 AS RECEIVED BY ALL MEMBERS.

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

MOTION #2 TO ADD REFERENDUM TO NOVEMBER 4, 2003 BALLOT TO ALLOW "ALCOHOL BY THE DRINK" SALES IN MONTEZUMA.

MOTION BY: Mr. Barker
SECOND BY: Mr. Jackson
VOTE: Motion Failed with Vote as follows:

Mr. Barker	FOR
Mr. Jackson	FOR
Mr. Adams	AGAINST

Mr. Edwards	AGAINST
Mr. Hildreth	AGAINST
Mr. Glover	Not Present when vote was taken

MOTION #3

TO OFFER SALE OF TWO PUBLIC BUILDINGS TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER. BUILDINGS ARE 1) PHILLIPTOWN RECREATION CENTER BUILDING ON TRAVELERS REST RD AND 2) INTERCLUB COUNCIL BUILDING LOCATED ON ENGRAM ST. *Bids will be solicited & brought back to the September Council Meeting for a final decision by Mayor and Council.*

MOTION BY:

Mr. Barker

SECOND BY:

Mr. Edwards

VOTE:

Motion carried with vote as follows:

Mr. Barker	FOR
Mr. Edwards	FOR
Mr. Adams	FOR
Mr. Jackson	AGAINST
Mr. Glover	AGAINST
Mr. Hildreth	FOR

MOTION #4

TO ALLOW REATHER LAKES, CURRENT LESSEE OF THE BUILDING LOCATED ON TRAVELERS REST RD TO ADDRESS COUNCIL.

MOTION BY:

Mr. Jackson

SECOND BY:

Mr. Glover

VOTE:

Unanimous in Favor Of

Mrs. Lakes requested that Council not sell the Travelers Rest Rd. property currently leased by the Danielle Lakes Foundation. She stated that she has made changes in the leasing policy and will not lease building for teenager parties in the future and will require all future functions to have their own security so as not to burden the Police Department. Several Council Members

and Chief Eric Finch expressed their concerns over 2 recent shooting incidents purported to have happened at this location and liability issues. Attached to and made a part of these Minutes is a petition requesting that the City maintain ownership of this building. Attachment #1.

MOTION #5 TO AUTHORIZE MAYOR LARRY TO REQUEST THAT GEFA RESTRUCTURE THE CITY'S GEFA LOAN #2 AS FOLLOWS:

- 1) CHANGE INTEREST RATE TO 0% FOR FIRST YEAR WITH A MORATORIUM ON PAYMENTS FOR THAT SAME YEAR.
- 2) REDUCE INTEREST RATE FROM 4% TO 3% ON REMAINING PRINCIPAL FOR 11 YEARS, THEREAFTER.
- 3) LOAN PAYOFF DATE TO REMAIN THE SAME

A copy of this request is attached to and made a part of these Minutes. Attachment #2.

MOTION BY: Mr. Adams
SECOND BY: Mr. Hildreth
VOTE: Unanimous in Favor Of

MOTION #5 TO AUTHORIZE PAYMENT TO OVERHEAD DOOR CO. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1990.00 FOR EMERGENCY REPLACEMENT OF BAY DOORS AT FIRE STATION #2 AND BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR SAME.

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

MOTION #6 TO AUTHORIZE CONTRACT WITH CCR ENVIRONMENTAL, INC TO PERFORM A WETLANDS & ENDANGERED SPECIES PLANT STUDY ON 11 ACRES SITE PROPOSED FOR SP#1 EXPANSION , AT A COST OF \$1,763.00. *A copy of this contract*

is attached to and made a part of these Minutes. Attachment #3.

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS

MAYOR'S REPORT -

No Report.

WATER & SEWER UTILITIES COMMITTEE - COUNCIL MEMBER ADAMS

W/WW Chief, Ben Rhoden reported that the recent archaeological study at proposed SP#1 expansion site has turned up some items of interest & Phase 2 study will be required.

FIRE & EMERGENCY SERVICES COMMITTEE - COUNCIL MEMBER JACKSON

No Report.

STREETS, SANITATION CEMETERY & PARKS COMMITTEE - COUNCIL MEMBER GLOVER

No Report.

FINANCE, PERSONNEL & BUDGET COMMITTEE - COUNCIL MEMBER HILDRETH

No Report.

PUBLIC PROPERTIES COMMITTEE - COUNCIL MEMBER BARKER

Librarian Lucy Warnock gave an update of activities at the Library .

POLICE COMMITTEE - COUNCIL MEMBER EDWARDS

Chief Finch gave an update to Council of recent visit to the home of Mrs. Lucy Neal by U. S. Marshalls.

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

Willie J. Larry - Mayor

Joyce H. Hardy - City Clerk