

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

December 21, 2004

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Willie J. Larry called the meeting to order at 7:15 P.M.

INVOCATION: The invocation was given by Mayor Larry.

PRESENT: Mayor Willie J. Larry; Council Members; Charles Ivey, Cordel Jackson, Marvin Edwards, Charles Glover, Roy Barker and Bobby Hildreth, City Clerk, Joyce Hardy; Fire Chief, David Trussell; Police Chief, Eric Finch; PW Chief, Ben Coogle; and City Attorney, Jon Coogle.

ABSENT: Librarian, Lucy Warnock

WORK SESSION

1. Kay Hagler, Middle Flint RDC, appeared before Mayor & Council to discuss a possible 2005 CDBG Grant application for a new A. M. Fields Center.
2. Penny Powell, Montezuma Historic Preservation Commission, brought before Mayor & Council the recently completed Design Guidelines for the Downtown Historic Business District.
3. The City Attorney presented a first draft of a proposed dumping ordinance for Mayor & Council review.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

State Representative Lynmore James on behalf of the Georgia Legislative Black Caucus presented Nikki L. Ridley with a \$500 scholarship to continue her studies at Valdosta State University.

ACTIONS

MOTION #1 TO ACCEPT MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF NOVEMBER 16, 2004 AS RECEIVED BY ALL MEMBERS.

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

MOTION #2 TO SUBMIT A 2005 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT TO REPLACE THE PRESENT A. M. FIELDS CENTER IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$250,000.

MOTION BY: Mr. Jackson
SECOND BY: Mr. Ivey
VOTE: Motion Failed with Vote As Follows:

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| Jackson | FOR |
| Ivey | FOR |
| Glover | AGAINST |
| Hildreth | AGAINST |
| Barker | AGAINST |
| Edwards | AGAINST |

MOTION #3 TO ACCEPT AND IMPLEMENT DESIGN GUIDELINES FOR THE MONTEZUMA DOWNTOWN HISTORIC DISTRICT AS PREPARED BY PIEDMONT PRESERVATION. Attached to and made a part of these Minutes is a copy of these Design Guidelines. Attachment #1.

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

MOTION #4

TO APPROVE FLOOD RLF LOAN TO SHARON WILLIAMS dba JOSIE'S RESTAURANT AS FOLLOWS:

Flood Revolving Loan Fund

Approved Loan Amount: \$ 20,845.06

Terms: 20 Years - 20 Annual Payments

0 % Interest Rate

Proceeds: \$8,645.06 To Pay Off Existing

Flood RLF Loan

\$12,200 Cash to Sharon Williams

City will have second lien position on all property & equipment associated with this business and Mrs. Williams is responsible for all legal costs associated with this loan.

MOTION BY:

Mr. Glover

SECOND BY:

Mr. Ivey

VOTE:

Unanimous in Favor Of

MOTION #5

TO AWARD SALE OF PHILLIPTOWN RECREATION CENTER BUILDING TO HIGH BIDDER, BILL SOUTER FOR THE SUM OF \$5,500. Mr. Souter will be responsible for all legal, surveying & closing costs associated with this sale.

MOTION BY:

Mr. Edwards

SECOND BY:

Mr. Barker

VOTE:

All in Favor except Jackson who voted "NO"

MOTION #6

TO AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF \$7,020.31 FOR EMERGENCY REPAIRS TO WATER LINE ON EAST RAILROAD STREET.

MOTION BY:

Mr. Edwards

SECOND BY:

Mr. Barker

VOTE:

Unanimous in Favor Of

MOTION #7 TO AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF \$1,165.63 FOR EMERGENCY REPAIR OF FLANGE ON PUMP #1 AT LIFT STATION #2 SP #1.

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

MOTION #8 TO AUTHORIZE MAYOR LARRY TO SIGN WORK AUTHORIZATION FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR AIRFIELD LIGHTING AND MISCELLANEOUS IMPROVEMENTS AT AIRPORT WITH CAMPBELL & PARIS AND TO SIGN APPLICATION FOR STATE ASSISTANCE FOR 95% OF TOTAL PROJECT COST. Estimated project cost is \$215,000. State share - \$204,250. City share - \$10,750.

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Larry reported on the conditions at SP#2 and actions that are being taken to correct problems. He announced a committee consisting of himself, the City Clerk, CM Hildreth, CM Barker and Paul Rakel to meet with Flint River Foods to work out an agreement regarding operation of SP#2 and sewer fees to be charged. He further thanked city employees for their service to the city during 2004 and wished all a Happy Holiday season.

**FIRE & EMERGENCY SERVICES COMMITTEE - COUNCIL
MEMBER JACKSON**

Chief Trussell announced the 2004 Fire Department award winners and that the grant funds received for the 911 tower will take care of 100% of the costs.

**FINANCE, PERSONNEL & BUDGET COMMITTEE - COUNCIL
MEMBER IVEY**

No Report.

**WATER & SEWER UTILITIES COMMITTEE - COUNCIL
MEMBER HILDRETH**

No Report.

**STREETS, SANITATION CEMETERY & PARKS COMMITTEE -
COUNCIL MEMBER GLOVER**

PW Chief Coogle explained the operation & limitations of City leaf vacuum equipment. Mayor Larry thanked him for bringing that to their attention.

**PUBLIC PROPERTIES COMMITTEE - COUNCIL MEMBER
BARKER**

No report.

POLICE COMMITTEE - COUNCIL MEMBER EDWARDS

Chief Finch announced that all Montezuma radio dispatchers who were interested in working for the new 911 system were hired and will begin employment with 911 on December 29th. Crime trend for December mainly involved employee theft of area retail stores. Chief Finch expressed his condolences to the family of Mr. Mel Jackson who died recently as a result of a train accident downtown.

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

Willie J. Larry - Mayor

Joyce H. Hardy - City Clerk