

COUNCIL MEETING CITY OF MOLENA

JUNE 8, 2020 6:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M. by Mayor Joyce Corley and Councilmembers Damon Riggins, Allison Turner, Jennifer Riggins, and Glenn Beckham were present as well as Chief of Police Novin Darsey, City Clerk Tausha Grose, and City Attorney Scott Mayfield.

Councilman Damon Riggins opened the meeting with prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

Councilman Damon Riggins made a motion to approve the minutes from the March Council Meeting followed by a second from Councilman Glenn Beckham and this unanimously passed.

Councilman Damon Riggins made a motion to approve the agenda followed by a second from Councilwoman Jennifer Riggins and this unanimously passed.

INVITED GUEST

Jenny and Teddy Meeks along with Land Surveyor Randy Davis presented the council with a proposed parcel subdivision of the 14.18-acre property located on the corner of Dunn Road and McCrary Road. They would like to subdivide the property into four parcels and build custom homes on the parcels. After some discussion, City Attorney Scoot Mayfield notified the council that there would need to be a public hearing and proper advertising before the council could vote on the proposed parcel subdivision. The council decided to schedule the public hearing for June 24, 2020 at 5:00 P.M.

CHIEF OF POLICE REPORT

Chief Novin Darsey presented the monthly report (see attached).

Chief Darsey reported that the mileage on the Tahoe is 125,281 and the Impala is 131,297.

BUILDINGS, STREETS AND GROUNDS

None

PUBLIC SAFETY

None

WAYS & MEANS

None

WATER

None

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Joyce Corley notified the council notified the council that due to COVID-19 she was not able to get quotes for the construction and cost of new playground equipment at the pavilion. She is expecting to have the quotes by the next council meeting.

OLD/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

City Clerk Tausha Grose notified the council and mayor that during the audit on the LMIG funds she was notified that they did not properly match the 30% when completing the sidewalk project on the corner of Hwy 18 and Hwy 109. They auditor notified her that they also did not spend all of the monies received from GDOT. The remaining monies will be deferred and when the City begins the LMIG projects for 2020 they will need to match the 30% for 2020's grant funds as well as 2019's grant funds.

Mayor Joyce Corley notified the council that she is still working on the police car grant and will notify the council when she makes progress.

Mayor Joyce Corley notified the council that she received a quote from Three Rivers Regional Commission for updating the City's Zoning Ordinances. Three Rivers gave an estimate of \$10000 but they could possibly use some grant monies from DCA to get the cost down to about \$5000-\$6000. Councilman Glenn Beckham made a motion to have the Zoning Ordinances update with the help of Three Rivers for a cost of up to \$10000 followed by a second from Councilman Damon Riggins and this unanimously passed.

Councilman Damon Riggins a made a motion to adopt the second reading of the no smoking ordinance followed by a second from Councilman Glenn Beckham. This unanimously passed and the ordinance was adopted.

Mayor Joyce Corley notified the council that all the projects for city hall are currently on hold because they are having trouble finding a contractor. City Clerk Tausha Grose will continue to work on finding a contractor.

Mayor Joyce Corley notified the council that they never voted and approved the resolution for the council and mayor to receive a salary increase as well as beginning to receive said salary.

Councilwoman Jennifer Riggins made a motion to adopt the resolution to increase the salary of the mayor to \$200 per council meeting and the council to \$100 per council meeting to be retroactive to January 1, 2020 followed by a second from Councilman Glenn Beckham. Council woman Allison Turner voted in favor of the motion and Councilman Damon Riggins voted against the motion. The motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Joyce Corley presented the council with the updated 2019-2024 Hazard Mitigation Plan and notified the council that they needed to adopt the resolution. Councilman Damon Riggins made a motion to adopt the 2019-2024 Hazard Mitigation Plan Resolution followed by a second from Councilman Glenn Beckham and this unanimously passed.

Mayor Joyce Corley notified the council that Grounds Supervisor Dyke McMichael is having a hard time completing all the landscaping of city property by his self. Mayor Joyce Corley suggested that the city needs to consider hiring a seasonal part time grounds worker to help with the work load. After some discussion, the council directed City Clerk Tausha Grose to place an ad in the paper to gather applications for a seasonal part time grounds worker that can work 20 hours per week at a rate of \$10 per hour. The ad will run until the position is filled.

Mayor Joyce Corley notified the council that they needed to schedule the first budget workshop to start discussing the 2021 General Fund and 2021 Water Fund budget. The council agreed to schedule the workshop for July 6, 2020 at 5:00 P.M.

The next regular meeting will be July 13, 2020 at 6:00 P.M.

Councilman Glenn Beckham made a motion to adjourn at 6:46 P.M. followed by a second from Councilman Damon Riggins and this unanimously passed.

Joyce Corley, Mayor

Tausha Grose, City Clerk