CITY OF MCINTYRE

Minutes

December 21, 2022

3:00 p.m.

City of McIntyre Meeting Room

The City of McIntyre council meeting was held on December 21, 2022 with Mayor Vicki Horne presiding. Council Members present were Mayor Pro-Tem Rico Myrick, Katherine Scott, and Debra Kennedy. Council Member John Carswell late.

Others in attendance: City Clerk Davonia Riddle and Greg Boike

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m. by Mayor Vicki Horne.

Prayer was led by Council Member Eugene Moore.

Business at Hand-see attachment

Mayor Horne stated the reason for this called meeting is to approve the MOA between City of McIntyre and Board of Commissioners. She said Greg Boike from MGRC is here and she will let him speak on it. City Clerk Davonia Riddle asked Greg Boike to speak on the one change that was made. Greg Boike explained to council that the purpose of the MOA goes to when the Congressional Direct Spending was approved, it listed both McIntyre and Wilkinson County as beneficiaries. He stated that some of areas benefitting is outside of McIntyre, like the school system, because of that EPA, which is the federal agency handling the funds. Greg Boike stated because of this, they want to have an agreement that states McIntyre will be receiving the funds and does the project. He said after doing that, they realized one of the things the county talked about in the past was leading some financial support. Knowing that the county was about to have new commissioners, they wanted to be sure to take the opportunity for the people that discussed the project, participate in making a financial commitment. In other words, they wanted to get something down on paper. He said last night the county approved the MOA unanimously. So now it comes back to the City of McIntyre for approval. Basically, the outline of the agreement is that McIntyre is going to do the project and the county is going to provide funding in the amount of their 2023 and 2024 LMIG funds including the 30% match that is required. This will be to help repair roads that will be damaged, need to be repaired or replaced during the project. That was last element of the project where everyone was wondering where the funds were coming from. The exact amount is TBD because it will depend on what the state allocates through their LMIG dollars. He said we are looking for a range between \$800,000.00 and \$900,000.00. The one change the county wants to make was on the first bullet point. The language added was Though Not Prohibiting Other Contribution of Funding. Which means if the county wants to give more than their LMIG funds, they can choose to do

that. In exchange the city will give them capacity in the wastewater treatment plant. Anything other than what is in the agreement will be separated and new agreements would have to be made. Currently the dollar amount in the MOA is a gallon of capacity for every \$10.80 that is invested in the project. That will be based off what the city is currently putting into the treatment plant. In talking with the engineer, he said in the future, the city might be able to raise that number. He said we will have the ability to negotiate with others in the future. He said to summarize everything, McIntyre will treat some of Wilkinson County's sewage when they create a system and in exchange, Wilkinson County will contribute their 2023 and 2024 LMIG funds to help with funding the project.

Mayor Horne asked if council had any questions. Council Member Debra Kennedy asked if the counties are hooking up? Greg Boike said the county will have the ability to hook if they choose in the future. He said he assume since the county is buying capacity, they will want to in the future. Greg Boike said the county will be responsible for getting sewage, also, unless the county decides they want to add more lines later and the city work it into an agreement as service deliver strategies down the road. This is not an obligation to anyone or anything other than the county contributing the money and in exchange they would get compacity in the future whenever that happens. Council Member Eugene Moore asked if the \$800,000.00 to \$900,000.00 include the 30% match. Greg Boike said yes, that will be included in the amount. He said the county normally get around the \$300,000 range. Council Member Debra Kennedy asked if this just go for the roads? Greg Boike replied yes. Mayor Horne asked if we could use SPLOST funds to help with repairing the roads? Greg Boike said absolutely, he said the city will also be able to use contingency funds left over. He said we have around \$100,000 and it could be higher if we have some saving during the project. He said the city can use their LMIG, SPLOST and other funding the city wants to contribute. Greg Boike stated the estimate the engineer had a couple year ago, the amount could be adjusted depending on the materials and labor cost of repairing the road. He goes on to say, during the pre-construction meeting they will discuss how to minimize the number of roads to cut, etc. Council Member Eugene Moore stated that Macon Rd, Main St. and Railroad St. will cost the most to repair. Council Member Debra Kennedy asked if the county would fix the road within the city? Greg said yes, this is so that the county will invest their dollars to fix the road. Council Member Debra Kennedy asked if Greg Boike said at the end, when the county decides to do their water system that we will tie in with them? Mayor Horne said no, they will tie into us, and the county will be responsible for running the pipes. Mayor Horne goes on to say at that point, we will have to go into another agreement. She said that will be a different situation but phase one right now is just dealing with the school system and the city. Phase 2 would include the courthouse and whomever else. That will have to go back to the table again but right now we are just getting this started. Mayor Pro-Tem stated from his understanding, there is supposed to be a hook up at the light in Irwinton and that's where it is supposed to stop. Greg Boike stated this is talking about the future in terms of what the county would do. Regarding today, you have the excess capacity to fund the roads. The county is saying yes, we will like some of that excess capacity, in exchange for LMIG funds. Mayor Horne said basically, the system is supposed to be for Wilkinson County and McIntyre because the money is coming from the Feds and it has both parties on the paperwork. She goes on to say because of this, other cities will be able to tie into the system. In doing this, it would not cost the other cities within the county as much but now the City of McIntyre is paying five times as much for the sewer system compared to where it started. Greg Boike stated he

would like to add one more thing about how future agreement will be structured, this is for treatment capacity. The city will still receive monthly bills from the cities or whomever tie into the system. Which will be the cost to transfer through the system because that is the part of the ongoing maintenance/operation cost. This process is buying into the system up front. He goes on to say for example if Irwinton, in the future decides they wanted to tie in, you can charge them a higher rate for the capacity Wilkinson County has already bought. Council Member Eugene Moore asked about the \$18.00 rate and Mayor Horne said that is something the city will have to go back and look over because that has been so long ago. Council Member Eugene Moore stated that while reading over the documents, he noticed a price difference between \$10.80 and \$18.00. Greg Boike stated that the difference is the \$18.00 is for the sewer plant treatment capacity, lines, and collection. Wilkinson County is only paying for capacity, not the lines. Mayor Horne stated Greg Boike can get it typed up and everyone will have a better understanding.

Motion made by Council Member Eugene Moore to sign the MOA regarding the Wilkinson County and City of McIntyre, Seconded by Council Member Katherine Scott, Motion Carried.

Motion made by Mayor Pro-Tem Rico Myrick, Seconded by Council Member Debra Kennedy, to adjourned. Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned at 3:30 pm.

Mayor, Vicki Horne

_City Clerk, Davonia Riddle