

# City of McIntyre

## Minutes

March 21, 2022

5:30 p.m.

City of McIntyre Meeting Room

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

Others in attendance: City Clerk Davonia Riddle, City Attorney David McRee and Joyce Martin.

The meeting was called to order at 5:35 by Mayor Vicki Horne. Prayer was led by Council Member Deborah Kennedy.

### New Business

#### Hire Street Worker

**Council Member Deborah Osborne made a motion for the city to hire Roger Davis as PRN with the salary of \$12.00 per hour and 29 maximum hours a week. Seconded by Council Member Katherine Scott. Motion Carried.**

**Council Member Rico Myrick made a motion that the city hire Tommy Floyd full-time at \$13.00 per hour. Seconded by Council Member Katherine Scott. Motion carried.**

Mayor Horne asked Mayor Pro-Tem Rico Myrick to speak with Mr. Floyd and let him know he will be on a 90 day probationary period.

#### POA&B Officer

Mayor Horne asked about POA&B officer. City Clerk Davonia stated that POA&B is a retirement for the officers. It is \$25.00 a month per officer. She stated that Chief Amerson informed her last year during the budget cut that council voted not to pay the officer retirement going forward, it will be up to the officer(s) to pay. City Clerk Davonia stated Officer Zim Steele contacted her and at that time she did not know it was the officer's responsibility to pay and she paid for three months. She asked council if the city will pay or will it be the officer's responsibility going forward. She goes on to say, Chief Amerson paid for the year because council told them last year it will be their responsibility. Mayor Horne stated council voted for them to pay so it will be their responsibility to pay for the rest of the year.

#### City Accountant

Mayor Horne stated a while back when the city had issues with missing funds, the city was ordered to get an accountant. She stated she does not know how long the city has to be under those guidelines, but she will talk with Brian Wright. Mayor Horne goes on to say, the accountant we hired is not living up to expectations, so the city needs to hire someone if the city has to continue to do checks and balances. Also, we need to send him a letter informing him that his service is no longer needed. She asked City Attorney David if he will get a letter together and he said he will prepare the letter.

**Council Member Katherine Scott made a motion to terminate Tyrone Evan as the City of McIntyre accountant. Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Rico Myrick. Motion carried.**

### Old Business

#### Motion-Cost of Living

Mayor Horne stated the city did get an increase of 50,000 from GA Power franchise check.

**Council Member Deborah Osborne made a motion to give each employee a 3% cost of living raise and Bernard Hughes \$1.00 only raise for Code Enforcement with back pay from January 2022. Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Rico Myrick. Motion Carried.**

#### Council Comments

Council Member Katherine Scott- No comments

Council Member Deborah Osborne - Stated she spoke to Fire Chief Tommy from the Fire Department and asked if he needed anything, since we have Covid funds available. He provided her with a list of different equipment and Led lights upgrade. She indicated that if we need to do any improvements, the Bay Lights will be the way to go. Mayor Horne stated, we received a check from the County for \$1,000 for the Fire Department.

**Council Member Deborah Osborne made a motion to give the Fire Department money from the Covid funds to upgrade the lights to LED not exceeding \$4,000.00. Seconded by Council Member Katherine Scott. Motion carried**

Council Member John Carswell - Stated with the funds, we need to make upgrades to the park. Deborah Osborne asked if he received pricing on the work needed to be done at the park? John stated the most important thing right now is to get the electrical work done.

He stated that he spoke with City Clerk Davonia about a desperate need to get lighting at the park. Noting that when it gets dark, it gets really dark, and he has also been getting calls about cars at the park. Mayor Pro-Tem Rico Myrick stated he thinks that we just need to get the lights back on because citizens walk around the trail. City Clerk Davonia stated she talked with the city GA Power representative regarding a grant for lighting at the park. He stated that grant funding cannot be used for lighting, but we can possibly use it for outdoor sitting for the citizens. Mayor Horne said we can call GA Power and get the price on lighting at the park.

Mayor Pro-Tem Rico Myrick- No comments

Mayor Horne - Stated she wanted to look into getting a television to host webinars for council and employees.

**Council Member John Carswell made a motion to get a television for continuing education for council and staff. Seconded by Council Member Deborah Osborne. Motion Carried.**

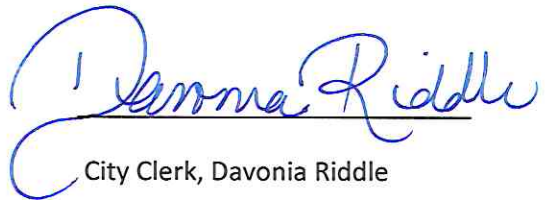
Mayor Horne stated she wanted to take some of the funds from the ARPA funds and invest back into the community. She told council about taking some of the funds and sponsoring two students with all expense paid to get their wastewater treatment license. She stated this will not only benefit the city but the community also. She said she will contact the school and see if they will be willing to partner with us. She also wants to get a generator for the pump house. The city has been in need and these funds can be used towards funding.

Mayor Horne also stated that Senator Ossoff will be at Wilkinson County court house on Friday regarding the grant funding.

**With there being no further business, Motion made by Mayor Pro-Tem Rico Myrick, Seconded by Council member Council Member Katherine Scott, to adjourned. Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm.**



Mayor, Vicki Horne



City Clerk, Davonia Riddle