

The Mayor and Council met for their regular meeting.

Those Present:	Greg Thompson	Mayor
	Wayne Adcock	Vice-Mayor
	Myoshia Crawford	Council Member
	Larry Bradley	Council Member
	Norman Garrett	Council Member
	Nathan Little	Council Member
	Jimmy Richardson	Council Member
	Logan Propes	City Administrator
	Debbie Kirk	City Clerk
	Russell Preston	City Attorney
	Paul Rosenthal	City Attorney
	Jesse Couch	City Attorney

Those Absent:	Lee Malcom	Council Member
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Staff Present:	Danny Smith, Jeremiah Still, Keith Glass, David Jahns, Rodney Middlebrooks, Brian Thompson, Patrick Kelley
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Visitors:	Sadie Krawczyk, Beverly Harrison, Beth Thompson, Leon Boyce
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Mayor Thompson reminded everyone that on October 11, 1977 Lieutenant Michael Etchison of the City of Monroe Police Department was fatally wounded in the line of duty. Tomorrow marks the 40th Anniversary of our tragic loss. Mayor Thompson stated that our thoughts and prayers are with the Etchison family as we remember Lieutenant Etchison, and the sacrifice he made while serving the citizens of Monroe. This is a reminder of how dangerous things can get when wearing a badge and a gun. We appreciate every Police Officer in the City of Monroe, the County, and Nationwide.

I. CALL TO ORDER – GREG THOMPSON

1. Invocation

Mayor Thompson gave the invocation.

2. Roll Call

Mayor Thompson noted that Council Member Lee Malcom was absent. There was a quorum.

3. Approval of Agenda

Add New Business Item – Item 2. Discussion – Committee Appointments.

To approve the agenda as amended.

*Motion by Richardson, seconded by Bradley.
Passed Unanimously*

4. Approval of Consent Agenda

- a. September 5, 2017 Council Minutes
- b. September 19, 2017 Council Minutes
- c. September 26, 2017 Historic Preservation Commission Minutes
- d. Purchase – Tyler Technologies Financial Software – Procurement of software for the amount of \$300,617.00. (Recommended for Council approval by Finance Committee October 3, 2017)
- e. Approval – West Spring Street Streetscape Construction Contract – To contract with CMES, Inc. in the amount of \$2,368,916.40 contingent upon execution of subsequent change orders for the base bid and alternate bids. (Recommended for Council approval by Public Works Committee October 3, 2017)
- f. Purchase – 2018 Kenworth Truck with Hoist – To purchase from Carolina Environmental Systems for the amount of \$158,049.00. (Recommended for Council approval by Public Works Committee October 3, 2017)

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- g. Purchase – Gas Materials for Estates at Dean Hill Farms – To purchase from Consolidated Pipe & Supply for \$26,900.95. (Recommended for Council approval by Utilities Committee October 3, 2017)
- h. Approval – 2016 CDBG Grant Construction Bid Award for 5th and 6th Streets Project – To accept the low bid from The Dickerson Group, Inc. in the amount of \$1,649,923.00 and approve the subsequent change order bid total of \$1,141,188.00. (Recommended for Council approval by Utilities Committee October 3, 2017)
- i. Approval – Internet Packages – To approve the package structures as presented. (Recommended for Council approval by Utilities Committee October 3, 2017)
- j. Approval – Pollock Subdivision Electrical System Rebuild – Approval of material and labor as presented for the total amount of \$199,415.20. (Recommended for Council approval by Utilities Committee October 3, 2017)
- k. Approval – Walton County School SRO Program Agreement for Foothills Charter – To approve the contract for \$24,600.00. (Recommended for Council approval by Public Safety Committee October 3, 2017)

To approve the consent agenda as presented.

*Motion by Adcock, seconded by Little.
Passed Unanimously*

II. PUBLIC FORUM**1. Public Comments**

No one signed up for public comments.

III. NEW BUSINESS**1. 1st Reading – Hotel / Motel Ordinance Amendment**

City Attorney Paul Rosenthal presented the first reading of the ordinance.

2. Discussion – Committee Appointments

Council Member Larry Bradley stated that he wants to hear input from Council on the process for appointing people to the various boards. Hopefully after discussing, a general consensus can be reached on the steps for filling appointments. Guidelines could then be drawn-up for Council approval next month, so board vacancies can be filled. He explained that several of the boards wording states that members shall be appointed by the Mayor and ratified by City Council. Council Member Bradley stated that he likes the idea of the Mayor looking over the qualifications and making the appointment. He believes the Planning Commission, Downtown Development Authority, and Airport Commission vacancies should be advertised, and the applicants should come before the full Council for discussion and appointment. This will give a person the opportunity to list their qualifications and the reason they would like to be appointed to the board. All of the candidates should appear before Council for consideration. Council Members can make nominations after hearing from the candidates, then all Council Members should vote on those nominations. Council Member Bradley stated these are his thoughts, and he welcomes hearing thoughts from the others. He would like for some guidelines to be drafted soon, so the appointments with vacancies can be filled.

Mayor Thompson stated that Council definitely needs to see who it is that they are appointing. The person should appear for a brief introduction at least. He explained that in the past the first one nominated was the only one that was voted on, which generally worked. There was a difference of opinion on the last committee appointment, which has brought this discussion forward. Therefore, if more than one qualified person applies and gets nominated, then both of the nominations should be voted upon.

Council Member Jimmy Richardson stated that he thinks this is a good idea.

Council Member Nathan Little stated things have evolved. He stated that anyone that is willing to fill out an application with their background information should be considered.

Council Member Wayne Adcock stated there are a lot more people interested in being involved; in the past you had to really work to find someone to fill a spot, but that is no longer the case.

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Mayor Thompson summarized that appointments should be advertised, posted, and put on the City's website. Anyone that is interested should submit their completed application to the City. He explained that application forms will be available on the City's website. Mayor Thompson stated that he will continue to make the other appointments, per the City's Charter.

City Administrator Logan Propes stated that staff and legal council will review the process and bring it back to Council as soon as possible.

IV. ADJOURN

*Motion by Richardson, seconded by Adcock.
Passed Unanimously.*



MAYOR



CITY CLERK

MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEETING OCTOBER 25, 2017 6:00 P.M.

The Mayor and Council met for a called meeting.

Those Present:	Greg Thompson	Mayor
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	Lee Malcom	Council Member
	Myoshia Crawford	Council Member
	Larry Bradley	Council Member
	Norman Garrett	Council Member
	Nathan Little	Council Member
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Staff Present: David Jahns, Rodney Middlebrooks, Brian Thompson, Beth Thompson

Visitors:

I. CALL TO ORDER – GREG THOMPSON

1. Roll Call

Mayor Thompson noted that all Council Members were present. There was a quorum.

II. ITEMS OF DISCUSSION

1. CIP Budget

There was a general discussion on the above item. There was no action taken.

III. ADJOURN

*Motion by Adcock, seconded by Garrett.
Passed Unanimously.*



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