MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEETING

JANUARY 10, 2017 6:00 P.M

The Mayor and Council met for their regular meeting.

Those Present:

Greg Thompson Mayor Wayne Adcock Vice-Mayor Lee Malcom Council Member Myoshia Crawford Council Member Nathan Purvis Council Member Larry Bradley Council Member Norman Garrett Council Member Nathan Little Council Member Jimmy Richardson Council Member

Ron Rabun Interim City Administrator

Debbie Kirk City Clerk
Russell Preston City Attorney
Paul Rosenthal City Attorney
Jesse Couch City Attorney

Staff Present:

Danny Smith, Jeremiah Still, Keith Glass, Logan Propes, Rodney

Middlebrooks, Brian Thompson, Patrick Kelley

Visitors:

Sharon Swanepoel, Sadie Krawczyk, Beverly Harrison, Chris Bailey, Mike McGuire, R.V. Watts, Gary Coker, David Dickinson, Rita Dickinson, Lee Preston, Amy Preston, Chip Ferguson, Mark Long, Jerry Cole, Lynn Hill

I. CALL TO ORDER - GREG THOMPSON

1. Invocation

Mayor Thompson gave the invocation.

2. Roll Call

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

3. Approval of Agenda

To approve the agenda as presented.

Motion by Adcock, seconded by Crawford. Passed Unanimously

4. Approval of Consent Agenda

- a. December 6, 2016 Council Minutes
- b. December 13, 2016 Council Minutes
- c. December 6, 2016 Executive Session Minutes
- d. December 14, 2016 Airport Commission Minutes
- e. December 20, 2016 Planning Commission Minutes
- **f.** Approval HR / Finance Staff Assistant Job Description Approval of the new job description as presented. (Recommended for Council approval by Finance Committee January 3, 2017)
- g. Purchase Utility Body Truck To purchase a Ford F-250 from Loganville Ford for \$38,264.50. (Recommended for Council approval by Public Works Committee January 3, 2017)
- h. Approval Out of State Training To send Assistant Fire Chief Bill Owens and Captain Andrew Dykes to the National Fire Academy in Emmitsburg, Maryland. (Recommended for Council approval by Public Safety Committee January 3, 2017)

To approve the consent agenda as presented.

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II. PUBLIC FORUM

1. Public Comments

Mr. Gary Coker, of 126 Pine Crest Drive, signed up for public comments, but left prior to being called upon to speak.

2. Public Hearing

a. Variance - Piedmont Parkway

Code Enforcement Officer Patrick Kelley presented the application request for a variance. He explained the applicant to be the Walton County Development Authority, who is requesting a variance for setbacks to build a speculative industrial building. The request is for Piedmont Parkway. The property consists of 10.16 acres. The Code Office and Planning Commission recommend the request be approved.

The Mayor declared the meeting open for the purpose of public input.

There were no public comments; Mayor Thompson declared that portion of the meeting closed.

To approve the variance.

Motion by Richardson, seconded by Garrett. Passed Unanimously.

HI. NEW BUSINESS

1. Resolution - Open Records Officer

To approve the resolution as presented.

Motion by Malcom, seconded by Purvis. Passed Unanimously.

2. Resolution - Boulevard f/k/a Waverly Road Abandonment

City Attorney Paul Rosenthal explained the request from Monroe First United Methodist Church for the City to begin the road abandonment process for a portion of the right-of-way of the City Road known as Boulevard f/k/a Waverly. He explained that the Church has waived any formal notice of abandonment since they are the only impacted property owner. Once the abandonment is complete, the Church will purchase the road at fair market value, and provide an easement to the City for any existing utility lines.

Council Member Larry Bradley questioned the name of the road.

Council Member Lee Malcom questioned who would be granted the necessary authority to negotiate the sale.

Mr. Rosenthal stated the name of the road to be Waverly, and the amounts will be brought back to Council for approval of the disposition of the real estate.

To approve the resolution as presented.

Motion by Bradley, seconded by Purvis. Passed Unanimously.

3. Approval – Election Qualifying Fees

To approve the qualifying fees for the 2017 election as specified in the Georgia Code.

Motion by Malcom, seconded by Little. Passed Unanimously.

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4. Approval - Main Street MOU

Interim City Administrator Ron Rabun explained the annual Memorandum of Understanding with the Georgia Department of Community Affairs allows the City of Monroe to remain being designated a Main Street Community.

City Administrator Paul Rosenthal stated the agreement to be in order.

To approve the Memorandum of Understanding with the Georgia Department of Community Affairs for the Main Street Program.

Motion by Purvis, seconded by Richardson. Passed Unanimously

5. Approval - DOT Agreements for Spring Street Enhancement Project

Interim City Administrator Ron Rabun stated the agreements with the Georgia Department of Transportation to be standard with enhancement projects. He explained the agreements to be consistent with the recently adopted agreements for the South Broad Street Project.

To approve the Mowing and Maintenance Agreement, the MMA Work Plan, and the Indemnity Agreement with the Georgia Department of Transportation for the Spring Street / SR 10 Enhancement Sidewalk Project from White Oak Lane to west of South Jackson Street.

Motion by Adcock, seconded by Richardson. Passed Unanimously

6. Discussion - Alcohol Ordinance Draft

Interim City Administrator Ron Rabun stated that he would continue working with Code Enforcement Officer Patrick Kelley and Economic Development Specialist Sadie Krawczyk on the changes with the Alcohol Ordinance Draft.

No Action.

IV. ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Malcom, seconded by Bradley. Passed Unanimously.

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION

To reappoint Preston & Malcom, P.C. as City Attorney for 2017.

Motion by Bradley, seconded by Little. Passed Unanimously.

To give notice to terminate the employment of Interim City Administrator Ron Rabun effective immediately.

Motion by Little, seconded by Bradley. Passed Unanimously.

V. ADJOURN

Motion by Adcock, seconded by Malcom. Passed Unanimously.

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Jimmy Richardson Council Member Ron Rabun

Interim City Administrator Debbie Kirk

City Clerk

I. Approval of Agenda

II. Personnel Issue (s)

1. Personnel

Personnel matters were discussed, including attorney-client discussions.

III. Adjourn to Regular Session

Motion by Bradley, seconded by Adcock. Passed Unanimously.