

The Mayor and Council met for a called 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
	Matthew Chancey	City Administrator
	Debbie Kirk	City Clerk
	Paul Rosenthal	City Attorney

Staff Present: Danny Smith, Jeremiah Still, Keith Glass, Logan Propes, Chris Bailey, Brian Thompson, Patrick Kelley

Visitors: Jenna Wargo, Bryan Hardman, Matt Nahrstedt, Ryan O’rear, Lee Rowell, Jim Draper, James Draper, Sadie Krawczyk, Sharon Swanepoel, Beverly Harrison, Patrice Broughton, Larry Fussell, Sam Serio

I. CALL TO ORDER – GREG THOMPSON

1. Roll Call

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

II. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

1. March Monthly Reports

The Department heads presented the monthly reports.

III. COMMITTEE INFORMATION

1. Finance

No Items Scheduled.

2. Airport

a. February 10, 2016 Airport Commission Minutes

The minutes are for informational purposes only.

No Action.

Mr. Larry Fussell gave an update. He expressed that it has been a sad time at the Airport with the untimely loss of Commission Member John Reiner. His family are grateful for all of the condolences, and they are beginning to move forward in seeking a buyer for AirDevil Aviation. The Commission is working with them to help find an appropriate buyer that will take care of and serve the Airport. The process for selecting a Consulting Engineer for the next five years began today. There were three highly qualified firms that submitted RFQs. The Commission will have a recommendation within the next ten days.

b. Airport Commission Appointment

The committee recommends to Council to appoint Daniel Nugent to fill the unexpired term of John Reiner to expire July 31, 2017.

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

c. Approval – Fence at Airport

City Administrator Matthew Chancey discussed the request to purchase additional fencing at the Airport. He explained that 1,574 linear feet of fencing is still needed to complete the full enclosure. The overall cost of the fencing is \$23,704.44. The City will be responsible for 5% of the cost, with 5% being State Funded, and 90% being Federally Funded. The local contribution amount that the City will be responsible for is \$1,185.22.

The committee recommends approval of the fence installation for the amount of \$1,185.22 to Council.

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

3. Public Works**a. Discussion / Approval – Great American Cleanup Week, April 18-22, 2016**

Mr. Danny Smith explained the week of April 22nd to be Great American Cleanup Week, which would allow the citizens of Monroe to bring any of their trash, tires and any recyclable items to the transfer station free of charge.

Economic Development Specialist Sadie Krawczyk stated that one of the main goals of the Georgia Initiative of Community Housing is to coordinate and initiate neighborhood cleanups. The economic development team is going to partner with the Great American Cleanup to try to promote neighborhood cleanups. It will be an opportunity to show neighborhood pride.

No Action.

b. Purchase – Heavy Duty Lift for Shop

Mr. Jeremiah Still thanked the Fleet Maintenance Division for the work they do throughout the entire City by servicing both preventive and corrective maintenance. Money is saved each year by this work being done in-house. He discussed the request to purchase a Stertil-KONI heavy duty lift for the Public Works facility. It will provide servicing capabilities for the sanitation and utility vehicles instead of using outside services, which will reduce the downtime of the vehicles. He explained the bid to be from the sole provider in Georgia and through the City's membership with the National Joint Powers Alliance, for the amount of \$49,266. This purchase is a 2016 CIP Project which will be split between the Solid Waste and Electric Departments.

Mr. Brian Thompson stated the equipment would be able to make repairs more efficient for both of the departments.

The committee recommends to Council the purchase of the lift and transmission jack from Heavy Duty Lift & Equipment for the amount of \$49,266.

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

4. Utilities**a. Approval – Sales Agent Agreement**

Mr. Brian Thompson stated that the Sales Agent Agreement will be used for marketing our telecommunication services. He explained it to be a standard industry contract that will engage contract sales agents to market and sell our services. He explained the agreement to have been reviewed by the City Attorney.

Council Member Nathan Little questioned the City Attorney about liability insurance and the possibility of a contractor acting as an agent having a workers' comp claim.

City Attorney Paul Rosenthal explained that the agreement specifically delineates and requires that the relationship is that of an independent contractor relationship and specifically requires the agent carry their own workers' comp coverage.

Council Member Larry Bradley questioned if once people know that we have this agreement, if Mr. Thompson expects people to contact us saying that they want to become sales agents or if there are already people identified for this purpose.

Mr. Thompson stated that could be a possibility, but there are also some people already identified.

The committee recommends approval of the Sales Agent Agreement to Council.

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

5. Public Safety

No Items Scheduled.

Council Member Lee Malcom left during the discussion.

6. Economic Development

Economic Development Specialist Sadie Krawczyk gave an update. She stated that the CVB put together a Wedding & Events Magazine for vendors and events in Monroe, which was completely paid for through advertising. She discussed the Georgia Initiative for Community Housing Retreat and their team priorities for the next six months. She explained that she has more in-depth notes from the meeting if anyone would like to see them. Ms. Krawczyk stated they are in the process of applying for the Community Home Investment Program Grant which is through DCA. The grant would be for homeowner rehabilitation funding to eligible low income and moderate income households. She discussed the accumulative numbers from 2015 for the Downtown Development Community Impact Report from DCA. They have contracted with a company to do a Hotel Feasibility Study for Monroe.

Mr. Bryan Hardman, Mr. Matthew Nahrstedt, and Ms. Jenna Wargo gave a presentation of the "Monroe Creative Campus" design. The project came from the three UGA students. It is their vision of what the old Monroe Elementary School Campus could possibly be in the future.

IV. ITEMS OF DISCUSSION

1. **Upcoming Public Hearings**
 - a. **Rezone – 707 South Broad Street**
2. **Application – Beer & Wine Package Sales – Quic Pick Food Market**
3. **Resolution – CDBG 2016**
4. **Resolution – Georgia Cities Week, April 17-23, 2016**
5. **Appointments (3) – Tree Board**
6. **Rowell Right-of-Way Abandonment Proposal**
7. **Spring Street Enhancement Project Proposal**

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

V. ITEMS REQUIRING ACTION

1. **1st Reading – Speed Zone Ordinance**
City Attorney Paul Rosenthal presented the first reading of the ordinance.

VI. ADJOURN

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


MAYOR


CITY CLERK