

**MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE MONTEZUMA  
CITY COUNCIL**

March 9, 2004

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Willie J. Larry called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M.

**INVOCATION:** The invocation was given by Council Member Glover.

**PRESENT:** Mayor Willie J. Larry; Council Members; Charles Ivey, Cordel Jackson, Charles Glover, Marvin Edwards, Bobby Hildreth and Roy Barker. City Clerk, Joyce Hardy; Fire Chief, David Trussell; W & S Chief, Ben Rhoden; Librarian, Lucy Warnock; PW Chief, Benny Coogle and City Attorney, Jon Coogle.

**ACTIONS**

**MOTION #1** TO ACCEPT MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF FEBRUARY 10, 2004 AS RECEIVED BY ALL MEMBERS.

MOTION BY: Mr. Jackson  
SECOND BY: Mr. Glover  
VOTE: Unanimous in Favor Of

**MOTION #2** TO POSTPONE (TABLE) VOTE ON REZONING REQUEST OF LINDA FORBES FOR THE REZONING OF 105 CHERRY ST FROM C-1 TO R-1 UNTIL MORE INFORMATION IS GATHERED.

MOTION BY: Mr. Jackson  
SECOND BY: Mr. Ivey  
VOTE: Unanimous in Favor Of

**MOTION #3** TO DECLARE STREET DEPT VEHICLE #31 (VIN 1GCGD34J4GF327824) AS SURPLUS PROPERTY & ALLOW PW CHIEF TO ADVERTISE, SOLICIT BIDS & SELL SAME TO HIGHEST BIDDER.

MOTION BY: Mr. Glover  
SECOND BY: Mr. Jackson  
VOTE: Unanimous in Favor Of

**MOTION #4** TO APPROVE FLOOD RLF LOAN TO AMANDA EDWARDS dba JEWELRY & GIFTS GALORE AS FOLLOWS:

**Flood Revolving Loan Fund**

Approved Loan Amount: \$ 70,565  
Terms: 20 Years - 20 Annual Payments  
0 % Interest Rate  
Proceeds: \$31,065 To Pay Off Existing Flood RLF Loan  
\$39,500 to Amanda Edwards

*City will have first lien position on all property & equipment associated with this business and Mrs. Edwards is responsible for all legal costs associated with this loan.*

MOTION BY: Mr. Jackson  
SECOND BY: Mr. Hildreth  
VOTE: Unanimous in Favor Of

**MOTION #5** TO AUTHORIZE PURCHASE OF A COMPUTER SERVER FROM LOW BIDDER, BARRETT COMPUTERS AT A COST OF \$2,020.00. Funds for this purchase will come from remaining confiscated funds.

MOTION BY: Mr. Jackson  
SECOND BY: Mr. Ivey  
VOTE: Unanimous in Favor Of

**MOTION #6** TO AUTHORIZE CHIEF TRUSSELL TO APPLY FOR A GRANT UNDER THE 2004 FIRE ACT GRANT PROGRAM, FOR THE PURCHASE OF 15 BREATHING APPARATUSES & 15 SETS OF TURN OUT GEAR. Total cost of purchase will be \$65,000 with grant funding 90% & General Funds 10%.

MOTION BY: Mr. Jackson  
SECOND BY: Mr. Barker  
VOTE: Unanimous in Favor Of

**MOTION #7:** TO AUTHORIZE CITY CLERK TO ADVERTISE & ACCEPT BIDS FOR CUTTING OF THE GRASS AT THE AIRPORT FOR THE PERIOD MAY 1, 2004 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2004.

MOTION BY: Mr. Hildreth  
SECOND BY: Mr. Glover  
VOTE: Unanimous in Favor Of

**MOTION #8** TO ADOPT RESOLUTION #204 TO SUBMIT TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF MONTEZUMA AT THE NEXT REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTION THE QUESTION OF WHETHER THE ATTACHED RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY COUNCIL SHALL BE APPROVED OR REJECTED. THE BALLOT SHALL STATE AS FOLLOWS:

- YES      Shall the Mayor & Council of the City of Montezuma be authorized to issue licenses to sell distilled spirits by the drink, such sales to be for consumption only on the
- NO

**premises?**

*A copy of Resolution #204 is attached to and made a part of these Minutes. Attachment #1.*

MOTION BY: Mr. Jackson  
SECOND BY: Mr. Barker  
VOTE: Motion Passed with All Voting YES except Mr. Hildreth Who voted "NO"

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

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Mayor Larry announced that he is replacing Kevin Cole on the Airport Board with Bill Sawyer .

### **FIRE & EMERGENCY SERVICES COMMITTEE - COUNCIL MEMBER JACKSON**

No Report

### **FINANCE, PERSONNEL & BUDGET COMMITTEE - COUNCIL MEMBER IVEY**

Chief Finch reported that two new police officers will start work in mid-March. The City Clerk announced that the FY2005 budget process begins tomorrow when Department Heads will receive budget requests packets.

**WATER & SEWER UTILITIES COMMITTEE - COUNCIL  
MEMBER HILDRETH**

No Report.

**STREETS, SANITATION CEMETERY & PARKS COMMITTEE -  
COUNCIL MEMBER GLOVER**

PW Chief Coogle informed Council that the complaints of Cecelia Walters have been resolved.

**PUBLIC PROPERTIES COMMITTEE - COUNCIL MEMBER  
BARKER**

No Report.

**POLICE COMMITTEE - COUNCIL MEMBER EDWARDS**

Chief Finch gave an update on using CHIP grant funds for down payment assistance and announced that he had contacted Buddy Clark's daughter who assured him that the old Clark Ford Tractor property would be cleaned up on the outside prior to the Heart & Soul Bus tour on April 20<sup>th</sup> & that the building would be demolished & land cleared by the end of 2004.

**ADJOURN:** With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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Willie J. Larry - Mayor

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Joyce H. Hardy - City Clerk