

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

June 11, 2002

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

**INVOCATION:** The invocation was given by Mr. Peaster.

**PRESENT:** Mayor Willie J. Larry; Council Members Carl Adams, Charles Glover, Cordel Jackson, Roy Barker, Carl Peaster and Marvin Edwards; City Manager, David M. Peaster; City Clerk, Joyce Hardy; Fire Chief, David Trussell; PW Chief, Ben Coogle; W & WW Chief, Ben Rhoden; Acting Police Chief, Eric Finch; and City Attorney, Jon Coogle.

**MOTION #1:** TO ACCEPT MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF MAY 14, 2002 & SPECIAL CALLED COUNCIL MEETING OF MAY 17, 2002 AS RECEIVED BY ALL MEMBERS.

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

**MOTION #2:** TO ADOPT POLICY SETTING FORTH PRICES TO BE CHARGE FOR COLLECTION OF DEBRIS FROM VACANT LOTS/HOUSES. *A copy of the proposed policy is attached to and made a part of these Minutes. Attachment #1.*

MOTION BY: Mr. Edwards  
SECOND BY: Mr. Peaster  
VOTE: Edwards - YES

Peaster	-	YES
Adams	-	YES
Barker	-	NO
Jackson	-	NO
Glover	-	NO
Mayor Larry	-	ABSTAINED

*Due to a tie vote & Mayor Larry abstaining, this motion failed to pass.*

**MOTION #3:** **TO AUTHORIZE PAYMENT FOR SLUDGE REMOVAL & DISPOSAL (147 TONS) TO THE FOLLOWING VENDORS: 1) GEORGIA RURAL WATER ASSOCIATION - \$1994.(INCLUDES 2 HOURS OF SEWER LINE INSPECTION) 2) TAYLOR COUNTY LANDFILL - \$2,917.** *Sludge removal & disposal costs are budgeted expenses of the Sewer Fund Budget.*

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

**MOTION #4:** **TO ADOPT RESOLUTION #369 CHANGING CABLE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT FROM COMCAST TO ATT COMCAST CORP.** *A copy of Resolution #369 is attached to and made a part of these Minutes. Attachment #2.*

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

**MOTION #5:** **TO AWARD BID FOR REROOFING "A. M. FIELDS RECREATION CENTER" TO ROCKENHAUS CONSTRUCTION AT A TOTAL COST OF \$12,550.84 AND TO AMEND GENERAL FUND BUDGET FOR SAME AMOUNT.** *Contractor will provide a 25 year warranty for this roof.*

MOTION BY: Mr. Peaster

SECOND BY: Mr. Barker  
VOTE: All in Favor Of Except Mr. Adams who voted "NO"

**MOTION #6: TO AUTHORIZE PAYMENT TO THE FOLLOWING VENDORS FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES RENDERED DURING THE RECENT S. DOOLY STREET WATER MAIN BREAK:**

<b>CARTER &amp; SLOOPE</b>	<b>\$ 1,520.00</b>
<b>REEVES CONS. CO</b>	<b>\$53,515.00</b>
<b>SAM HALL &amp; SONS, INC</b>	<b>\$54,721.32</b>

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

**MOTION #7: TO ADOPT RESOLUTION #370 TO AMEND THE POLICE DEPARTMENT STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES MANUAL, CHAPTER 10, SECTION II, SUBSECTION A, SETTING FORTH POLICY REGARDING USE OF CITY ISSUED FIREARMS. *A copy of Resolution #370 is attached to and made a part of these Minutes. Attachment #3.***

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

**MOTION #8: TO AUTHORIZE PAUL JOHNSON TO PROCEED WITH SURVEY & TOPOGRAPHY MAP OF SP#1 SITE LOCATED ON DRAYTON ROAD AT A COST OF \$5,500. *Payment for this expense will be made from Sp#1 Capital Improvement Project Account.***

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

**MOTION #9:** TO PURCHASE VACANT CEMETERY PLOT IN FELTON CEMETERY FROM JACK FOKES AT THE SAME AMOUNT HE PAID FOR THE LOT, \$500.

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

**MOTION #10:** TO AUTHORIZE CHANGE ORDERS TO SOST PROJECT 11B BY ADDING THE FOLLOWING:

- 1) REPAIR SINK HOLE ON MORSE AVE. AT A COST OF \$12,300.
- 2) ADD PIPING OF DRAINAGE DITCH ON GREEN ST FROM MORSE AVE TO END OF GREEN ST, AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$30,000.

*Reeves Construction Company is the contractor for this project.*

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

**MOTION #11:** TO PURCHASE TWO USED VEHICLES FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT FROM LOCAL DEALER AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$30,000.

MOTION BY: Mr. Edwards  
SECOND BY: Motion Died for Lack of Second  
VOTE: No Vote

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### MAYOR'S REPORT

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Mayor Larry had the City Clerk read aloud his “Crusade to Save Our Children” and encouraged all to make a difference in a child’s life by getting involved in their lives. He informed Council that he had discussed the possibility of a swimming pool in the county-wide recreation program. Mayor Larry is on the County Commission meeting agenda in late June to discuss this topic. Mayor Larry also reported on the successful meeting held earlier today at the airport when State dignitaries arrived to view & discuss future airport improvements.

### FIRE & EMERGENCY SERVICES COMMITTEE – COUNCIL MEMBER JACKSON

**Announcement:** Chief Trussell invited all to attend a live LP Gas training exercise to be held on June 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM in the Macon County High School parking lot.

### FINANCE, PERSONNEL & BUDGET COMMITTEE – COUNCIL MEMBER PEASTER

**MOTION #12:** TO SCHEDULE A PUBLIC HEARING & SPECIAL CALLED COUNCIL MEETING ON JUNE 27, 2002 AT 6:00 PM AND 6:15 PM RESPECTIVELY TO CONSIDER “CERTIFICATE OF NON-CONFORMING USE” REQUEST OF SANDRA KENNEDY & LYNN HUSSEY TO TURN THEIR RESIDENCE ON NORTH DOOLY STREET INTO A “BED & BREAKFAST” *This hearing had originally been scheduled for July 8<sup>th</sup>.*

MOTION BY: Mr. Edwards  
SECOND BY: Mr. Adams  
VOTE: Unanimous in Favor Of

## **POLICE COMMITTEE - COUNCIL MEMBER EDWARDS**

**Update on Police Department Activities** - Acting Chief Finch updated on the attempted assassination of County Commission Chair Charles Allen on Monday evening.

**MOTION #13: TO RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS A PERSONNEL MATTER.**

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

After a brief executive session, the meeting was reconvened and the following vote was taken.

**MOTION #14: TO APPOINT ERIC FINCH AS CHIEF OF POLICE AT AN ANNUAL SALARY OF \$45,000 EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2002; MR. FINCH DOES NOT HAVE TO RELOCATE TO MONTEZUMA; THIS POSITION IS A CONTRACT POSITION WITH REAPPOINTMENT VOTE IN JANUARY OF EACH YEAR.**

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

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

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Willie J. Larry - Mayor

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David M. Peaster, Sr. - City Manager