MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEETING NOVEMBER 10, 2020 6:00 P.M.

The Mayor and Council met for their regular meeting.

Those Present:

John Howard Mayor Larry Bradley Vice-Mayor Council Member Lee Malcom Myoshia Crawford Council Member Ross Bradley Council Member Norman Garrett Council Member Tyler Gregory Council Member Nathan Little Council Member David Dickinson Council Member Logan Propes City Administrator

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

Staff Present:

Danny Smith, Jeremiah Still, Joe Page, Beth Thompson, Brian Thompson, Rodney Middlebrooks, Patrick Kelley, Chris Bailey, Sadie Krawczyk

Visitors:

Mohammed Ullah, Stephanie Calabrese, Gareth Fenley, Pete Powell, Whit Holder, Jim Wilson, Raphael Crutchfield, Jamie Cox, James Cox, Jr., Carlos Thompson, Lynn Hill, George Baker III, Alan Satterfield, Rashad Ansley

I. CALL TO ORDER – JOHN HOWARD

1. Invocation

Pastor Lynn Hill with Smith Memorial AME Zion Church gave the invocation.

2. Roll Call

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

3. Approval of Agenda

To approve the agenda as presented.

Motion by R. Bradley, seconded by Malcom. Passed Unanimously

4. Approval of Consent Agenda

- a. October 6, 2020 Council Minutes
- b. October 13, 2020 Council Minutes
- c. October 6, 2020 Executive Session Minutes
- d. October 13, 2020 Executive Session Minutes
- e. October 20, 2020 Planning Commission Minutes
- f. October 27, 2020 Historic Preservation Commission Minutes
- **g.** Grading & Pipe Installation Approval of NRC Grading and Hauling for an amount not to exceed \$12,500.00. (Recommended for Council approval by Airport Committee November 3, 2020)
- h. Hangar Site Grading Change Additional / Change Approval of Change Order for \$23,955.00. (Recommended for Council approval by Airport Committee November 3, 2020)
- i. Approval of Addendum for Engineering Services To contract with Wiedeman & Singleton for \$69,515.00. (Recommended for Council approval by Utilities Committee November 3, 2020)
- j. Purchase Monroe-Loganville Water Main Materials To purchase for an amount not to exceed \$33,245.48. (Recommended for Council approval by Utilities Committee November 3, 2020)

To remove Item A – October 6, 2020 Council Minutes and Item B – October 13, 2020 Council Minutes from the Consent Agenda, for purposes of correction and clarification. To approve the consent agenda as amended.

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- a. October 6, 2020 Council Minutes
- b. October 13, 2020 Council Minutes

Vice-Mayor Larry Bradley stated the Police Report in the October 6, 2020 Council Minutes makes reference to Hammond Park, but the reference was actually to Hammock Park located at the corner of Broad Street and Church Street. Mr. Bradley stated several people were speaking in objection to something with Sparrow Hill Inn during the Public Forum on October 13, 2020. The October 13, 2020 Council Minutes make it sound like they were opposed to Sparrow Hill Inn, but they were really opposed to the sale of Sparrow Hill Inn to Pyramid Healthcare. He stated from a historic record keeping standpoint that point needs to be noticed in the Minutes, to clarify what the people were speaking in objection to.

City Administrator Logan Propes requested the October 13, 2020 Council Minutes be brought back for approval after there has been a thorough review of the actual verbiage.

To approve the October 6, 2020 Council Minutes, with the Hammock Park correction.

Motion by R. Bradley, seconded by Malcom. Passed Unanimously

II. PUBLIC PRESENTATION

1. Carver Middle School

Principal Alan Satterfield, with Carver Middle School, gave a presentation. He has been at Carver for five years. They had a \$3 million renovation three years ago, with one of the major focuses being security. Middle school is a challenging time academically, socially, and emotionally. He discussed professional learning communities where the teachers meet as subject grade level groups. They analyze data to see what needs to be remediated, form common assessments, and alter plans as they go forward. He stated their CCRPI Score has gone up about 8 ½ points as of last year. The school has implemented Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS) to identify behaviors in all areas of the building; they have acronyms posted everywhere. Teachers reward students with points; they earn incentives to teach behaviors, which addresses soft skills needed beyond school. Mr. Satterfield stated their athletics are doing very well; they work closely with the High School to develop the athletics. He discussed introducing the students to family consumer science, business education, data input, and agriculture. Monroe Area High School and Carver Middle School are the only two schools in the district starting the Sources of Strength Program from the Department of Education where the State trains peer leaders.

No Action.

2. City of Monroe Diversity Advisory Board

Mr. Rashad Ansley presented recommendations to Council from the City of Monroe Diversity Board, a group of community members looking to make a change in the City and County. The Young Game Changers presented their final recommendations to Council in 2019, which included the founding of a Diversity Board. The Board will focus on establishing and organizing activities to make Monroe a more welcoming, inclusive, and equitable place. Six areas of discussion have been identified; they include preserving history, business, health, finance, housing, and government. Community activities to promote the education and discussion of Monroe's Diverse Culture Heritage include: making a public statement in reference to the Moore's Ford Lynching; local minority history, and Georgia Historical Markers. He stated markers submitted by July 1, 2021 could receive grant funding to cover the costs. The Board seeks to strengthen connections among the heterogeneous communities living in the City of Monroe. The importance and value of diversity is established by educating the community about the minority heritage. The Board requests the approval of Council to proceed with the list of recommended activities. The Diversity Advisory Board will continue to present their recommendations to the City in the future. They meet on the third Thursday of each month and encourage everyone to attend.

No Action.

III. PUBLIC FORUM

1. Public Comments

No one signed up for public comments.

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2. Public Hearing

a. Rezone / Annexation - 0 North Broad Street - Parcel #C0900009

Code Enforcement Officer Patrick Kelley presented the application for rezone and annexation of this property from R1 County to B3 City. He stated the property will be inside the Corridor Design Overlay District and will be required to meet those standards. The applicant wants to maximize the development potential by having City services.

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

Mr. Pete Powell spoke in favor of the rezone and annexation. He and Mr. Nathan Purvis will be developing the site. They would like the property annexed into the City in order to have access to the City sewer system.

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

No Action.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

1. Annexation – 0 North Broad Street – Parcel #C0900009

To grant the annexation.

Motion by Malcom, seconded by L. Bradley. Passed Unanimously.

2. Rezone – 0 North Broad Street – Parcel #C0900009

To approve the rezone.

Motion by Dickinson, seconded by Malcom. Passed Unanimously.

3. Application - Beer & Wine Package Sales - Quick Food Mart

To approve the application.

Motion by R. Bradley, seconded by Malcom. Passed Unanimously

4. Application - Beer & Wine Package Sales - Sam Food Mart

To approve the application.

Motion by R. Bradley, seconded by Malcom. Passed Unanimously

5. 2nd Reading – Zoning Ordinance Code Text Amendment #8

City Attorney Paul Rosenthal gave the second reading of the ordinance to amend the Official Zoning Ordinance with Amendment #8 by implementing text amendments and changes identified in Exhibit A. Article X, Section 1000.3.2 (a) Additional Minimum Requirements – Residential Business – to add item (iv) cottage food business.

To adopt the Zoning Ordinance Code Text Amendment #8 as presented.

Motion by L. Bradley, seconded by Little. Passed Unanimously.

6. 2nd Reading - Zoning Ordinance Code Text Amendment #9

City Attorney Paul Rosenthal gave the second reading of the ordinance to amend the Official Zoning Ordinance with Amendment #9 by implementing text amendments and changes identified in Exhibit A. The following Sections are hereby amended by deleting said Sections in their entirety and substituting the following in lieu thereof: Article VIII: Site Design; Article IX: Building Design; and Article XIII: Landscaping Design and Tree Preservation.

Mr. Rosenthal clarified that a scrivener's error in Section 910.1 (1) that was pointed out by Council Member David Dickinson will be fixed. The error inadvertently omitted wood siding from an approved siding types.

To adopt the Zoning Ordinance Code Text Amendment #9 as presented.

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7. Personnel Search Firm - Fire Chief

City Administrator Logan Propes presented the proposal from Ralph Anderson & Associates for a nationwide search for a Fire Chief for \$25,000.00. There is a one-year guarantee of employment, which is reimbursable for expenses paid should the applicant not work out.

To engage the services of Ralph Anderson & Associates for the total amount of \$25,000.00.

Motion by L. Bradley, seconded by R. Bradley. Passed Unanimously.

Vice-Mayor Larry Bradley emphasized that even though the City is engaging a search firm, the City welcomes and encourages internal candidates.

8. Discussion - MAB Development Agreement

City Administrator Logan Propes presented the highlights of the Development Agreement with MAB Monroe, LLC. He stated MAB will be reimbursed \$499,608.06 for upsizing the water line from a ten-inch line to a twenty-inch line. The City and County have already agreed to contribute to the US Highway 78 West Bound On-Ramp, and the City's portion will be \$350,000.00. He stated the traffic signal at Charlotte Rowell Boulevard will be reimbursed for up to \$230,000.00. Permitting fees related to building and development will be reimbursed \$50,000.00. The Water and Sewer Funding will be reallocated from the original MOU to the water and sewer line on the southern connection. He explained this is significant to ensure the project has adequate water, flows, and pressure. The Fire Station must be built within seven years or the lot will revert back to the Rowell Family.

To approve the MAB Development Agreement.

Motion by R. Bradley, seconded by Dickinson. Passed Unanimously.

V. MAYOR'S UPDATE

Mayor John Howard stated the TSPLOST did not pass in the election; it lost in the County by 680 total votes. All four precincts in the City of Monroe voted in favor of the TSPLOST. Council Member Tyler Gregory was sworn in yesterday, with between 25 and 30 in attendance. He appreciates the time Council puts in to serve the City.

Ms. Sadie Krawczyk stated Candle Light Shopping will be every Thursday evening between now and Christmas, except Thanksgiving and December 3. The Christmas Parade will be on December 3, which will be stationary this year along Broad Street. The Christmas Light Display in Childers Park will come on November 19.

VI. ADJOURN

Motion by Malcom, seconded by Crawford. Passed Unanimously.

MAYOR

CITY CLERK