MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEETING

AUGUST 12, 2025

11:00 A.M.

The Mayor and Council met for a called meeting.

Those Present:

John Howard Lee Malcom Tyler Gregory

Mayor Vice-Mayor Council Member Council Member City Administrator

Logan Propes Chris Bailey

Greg Thompson

Assistant City Administrator

Laura Powell
Paul Rosenthal

City Clerk City Attorney

Absent:

Julie Sams
David Dickinson
Adriane Brown
Charles Boyce
Myoshia Crawford

Council Member Council Member Council Member Council Member Council Member

Staff Present:

Beth Thompson

Visitors:

Donna Brown and Kelly Fortson

I. CALL TO ORDER – JOHN HOWARD

1. Roll Call

Three Council Members were present, Mrs. Malcom, Mr. Thompson, and Mr. Gregory.

II. NEW BUSINESS

1. Public Hearings

a. 2025 Millage Rate

Mayor John Howard recommended approval of millage rate and stated that due to increasing costs associated with maintaining city services, staff recommends a millage rate of 6.934. This is an increase of 0.400 mills over the calculated full rollback & only a 0.273 mills increase over the 2024 rate. This will give the City of Monroe a prospective 7.68% increase in revenues, which translates to approximately \$421,682 more than 2024 assuming 100% of collections. This is only about \$60,000 increase in the current budgeted revenues. The net maintenance and operations millage rate is 6.934 mills, and the bond millage rate is 0.00, giving a total millage rate of 6.934 mills. The five-year history of the digest with the current year's digest and levy were properly advertised in the City's legal organ (Walton Tribune) on July 27, 2025 and again on August 3, 2025 as well as the City of Monroe's website. Property taxes will be billed and collected by the Walton County Tax Commissioner's office.

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

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

No Action.

Mayor Howard asked if there were any questions or comments and guest, Kelly Fortson, asked if TSPLOST would be on this November's ballot. Mayor Howard confirmed no, as it is a county initiative, but felt certain it would be on the November 2026 ballot.

III. ADJOURN

Motion by Thompson, seconded by Malcom. Passed Unanimously.

MAYOR

CITY CLERK