

Called Council Meeting
Tuesday, December 21, 2021 (5:30 p.m.)
Kayse Room

At the Called Council Meeting held on the above date the following members were present:

Mayor: Matt Seale
City Council: Mona Paulk, Patrice Y.W. Manley, Lemora Moses,
Steven Hudson, and Claire Clayton-Stone
City Attorney Warren Mixon
Police Chief: Billy Hancock
Assistant Public Director: Corneilus Hall
Mayor Elect: Horace Hudgins
City Clerk Lucile Middlebrooks, Absent

First: Mayor Matt Seale called the meeting to order and determined a quorum, prayer by Mayor Elect Horace Hudgins, and then the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was pledged and spoken by everyone.

Second: Motion by Councilwoman Claire Stone and 2nd by Councilman Steven Hudson to adopt a relaxed Agenda for Tuesday, December 21, 2021.
All in favor say I – Voted 5 yes; Opposes none - Motion passed.

Third: The Mayor Seale stated he had a conversation with Mark Dill and stated that the check that was discuss at a previous meeting had not been written to the Scruggs Company.

Fourth: Discussion about the Utility bill system.
Mayor Matt Seale asked Assistant Director Corneilus Hall to explain how he use to be able to download and upload files before reading meters.
Mr. Hall brought he computer that he uses to do meter reads.
Mr. Hall must download off the file. He cannot do an edit or prebilling to check the bills before they are mailed out. He showed them that his computer will show if they have a leak. He needs to go to Marc or Marc needs to come down here.

Mayor Elect Horace Hudgins suggest that Marc of Hyperweb comes down and get with Corneilus Hall, City Clerk Lucile Middlebrooks, and Chris Strom of SGRC to solve the issue.

Mayor Seale suggest that the bills need to be reviewed at the three points like it was done with the previous AS400 program. The AS400 program does not exist anymore.

Mayor Seale suggest for Councilwoman Mona Paulk to call Marc.
Council members asked Marc of Hyperweb various questions.
Councilwoman Manley asked why the payments cannot be posted when paid.
Marc stated that he has to have a specific account to see why it cannot be processed. The system needs to be cleaned up.

Councilwoman Mona Paulk stated that her main concern is the gas bills and billing the gas customers correctly.

Mayor and Council discussed the finances of all accounts connected to the utility bills.

Fifth: Motion by Councilman Steven Hudson and 2nd Councilwoman Mona Paulk to go into Executive Session for personnel reasons.
All in favor, please raise your hand 3 Yes; 2 opposes Motion carries.

Sixth: Out of Executive Session

Seventh: Mayor Seale suggest that the Council should go ahead to request interest rate bids for a 2022 TAN (tax anticipation note).
Motion by Councilwoman Claire Clayton Stone and 2nd by Councilman Lemora Moses to request interest rates of the 2022 Tax Anticipation Note.
All in favor, please raise your hand. Vote 5 Yes: Opposes none Motion carries.

Eighth: Motion by Councilwoman Claire Stone and 2nd by Councilman Lemora Moses to direct the City Clerk and her staff for manual ledgers to be done, so deposit can be made until the billing system is corrected.
All in favor, please raise your hand Vote 5 Yes; opposes none Motion carries

Ninth: Motion by Councilwoman Mona Paulk and 2nd Councilman Steven Hudson to have the lobby open during the hours of operation starting December 22, 2021 according to the schedule posted.
All in favor, please raise your hand Vote 5 Yes; opposes none Motion carries.

Tenth: Motion by Councilwoman Mona Paulk and 2nd Councilwoman Claire Stone to adjourn the meeting
All in favor, please say I - Vote 5 yes; Opposes None Motion carries

MEETING ADJOURNED:

MAYOR MATT SEALE

CITY CLERK LUCILE MIDDLEBROOKS