

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

Mayor: Horace Hudgins
City Council: Mona Paulk, Patrice Y.W. Manley, Lemora Moses,
Steven Hudson, and Claire Clayton
City Clerk: Lucile Middlebrooks
Police Chief: Billy Hancock
Assistant Public Director: Recarter Edge
Assistant Public Director: Corneilus Hall
Fire Chief: Will Towson
City Attorney Warren Mixon, Absent

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

Second: Mayor Horace Hudgins called for a motion to adopt the Agenda for Tuesday, January 4, 2022
Motion by Councilwoman Mona Paulk and 2nd by Councilman Lemora Moses to adopt the Agenda for Tuesday, January 4, 2022
All in favor say I – Voted 5 yes; Opposes none - Motion carries unanimously.

Third: Mayor Horace Hudgins called for a motion for the approval and adopting of the Minutes from the Regular Meeting of December 7, 2021, the Called Council Meeting of December 14, 2021, and the Called Council Meeting of December 21, 2021.
Motion by Councilman Lemora Moses and 2nd by Councilwoman Patrice Y.W. Manley for the approval and adopting of the Minutes from the Regular Meeting of December 7, 2021, the Called Council Meeting of December 14, 2021, and the Called Council Meeting of December 21, 2021.
All in favor say I -Voted 5 yes; Opposes none – Motion carries unanimously.

Fourth: Swearing in District 1 Councilwoman Mona Paulk and District 3 Councilman Lemora Moses.
In absence of City Attorney Warren Mixon, City Clerk swore in District 1 Councilwoman Mona Paulk and District 3 Councilman Lemora Moses

- Fifth: Election of Mayor Pro-tem
Mayor Horace Hudgins stated as previous protocol, the next Mayor Pro-tem is District 4 Councilman Steven Hudson. If there are no objections, he will serve as the Mayor Pro-tem for 2022
- Sixth: 2022 Standing Committees/Appointments
Mayor Horace Hudgins has prepared his appointments to the 2022 Standing Committees/appointments.

STANDING COMMITTEES – 2022

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

*Claire M. Clayton-Stone, Chairman
Mona Paulk*

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

*Patrice Y. W. Manley, Chairman
Mona Paulk*

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

*Steven Hudson, Chairman
Lemora Moses*

RECREATION COMMITTEE

*Lemora Moses, Sr. Chairman
Claire M. Clayton-Stone*

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

*Steven Hudson, Chairman
Patrice Y.W. Manley*

The Industrial Authority Board

*Councilman Steven Hudson
Mr. Matt Young*

Approved at the January 4, 2022 Council Meeting

ETHICS COMMITTEE – APPOINTED 2016 & Updated

Peggy Day – appointed May 3, 2016
Maurice Lake – appointed September 6, 2016
Lisa Cook – appointed September 6, 2016
Terry Johnson – appointed September 6, 2016
Vacant

Mayor Horace Hudgins also appointed Warren Mixon as the City Attorney and Tom Pujadas as the City Judge.

Motion by Councilwoman Mona Paulk and 2nd by Councilman Lemora Moses to the Standing Committees as presented by Mayor Horace Hudgins with Councilwoman Mona Paulk asking that Councilwoman Claire Clayton-Stone be the Chairman of the Community Development Committee.
All in favor raise your hand – Voted 5 yes; Opposes none – Motion carries unanimously.

- Seventh: Bank Loan Bids
City Clerk Lucile Middlebrooks request that the Mayor and Council postpone the opening of the bank loan bids due to the Holidays and the fact that she only had received one bid.
- Eighth: New Job Position
Mayor Horace Hudgins request that the Council establish a new job position. The job title will be Director of Standards and Compliance. The annual salary will be between \$42,000 to \$65,000. The person must be a post certified police officer or post certified code enforcement. Some of the tasks will be code enforcement, supervision of revolving loan fund payments, and etc.
Motion by Councilwoman Mona Paulk and 2nd by Councilman Lemora Moses to proceed with establishing the position and advertising it.
All in favor raise your hand – Voted 4 yes; Opposes none;
Abstained one (Councilwoman Claire Clayton-Stone) – Motion carries.
- Ninth: Utility Bill System Update from City Clerk
Mayor Horace Hudgins asked City Clerk Lucile Middlebrooks to give her report on the utility bill system.
After the report, Councilwoman Manley and Councilwoman Paulk ask to move forward in trying to find someone else.
- Tenth: Update on Five Bridge Road
Mayor Horace Hudgins presented the Council with a report of Five Bridge Road and the estimate from the engineering firm of Statewide Engineering. Due to a long rain storm, the water created a pothole. Along with the big trucks weakening the asphalt in the road. Kelly Wynn prepared an estimate per the Statewide Engineering specs.
After a long discussion, Mayor Horace Hudgins ask the Council for a motion. Motion by Councilman Steven Hudson and 2nd by Patrice Y.W. Manley to spend up to \$23,600.00 on the repairs needed on Five Bridge road.
All in favor raise your hand – Voted 5 yes; Opposes none – Motion carries unanimously

Eleventh: Reports from Committees
Councilwoman Mona Paulk stated that we need more clean-up days than once a year. Could we add a day in the Fall?

Councilwoman Patrice Y.W. Manley had no report.

Councilman Lemora Moses had no report.

Councilman Steven Hudson had no report.

Councilwoman Claire Clayton-Stone the request she had was already handled.

Police Chief Billy Hancock mentioned the tragedy that happened last week. He has job openings in the police department.

Commander Sean Fitzgerald of the South-Central Drug Task Force made a report.

Twelfth: Mayor Horace Hudgins called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.
Motion by Councilwoman Mona Paulk and 2nd by Councilman Steven Hudson to adjourn the meeting.
All in favor say I – Voted 5 yes; Opposes none – Motion carries unanimously.

MEETING ADJOURNED:

MAYOR HORACE HUDGINS

CITY CLERK LUCILE MIDDLEBROOKS