

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

November 12, 2018

Mayor Frank Dunmire called the Macon City Council meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Present were Clerk Pam Windell, Treasurer Lori Huggins, Attorney Scott Garwood, Council Members Doug Huggins, Chad Rappe, Kimberly Claussen, Brandon Windell, and Caleb Beasley. Also, present were Charlie Dunmire, Cody Holsapple, Deputy Seth Major, Sue Cole, Richard Zerfowski, Gene Alcorn, Bill Dowis, Monte Holsapple, and Greg Cleary.

The minutes from the October 8th meeting were approved.

Deputy Major presented the police report.

Mayor Dunmire presented the Macon County Sheriff's Department contract for the contractual officer. The total amount of the thirty-six (36) month contract will be three hundred fifty-six thousand, six hundred thirty-seven dollars (\$356,637). It was the consensus of the Council not to renew the contract with Sheriff's Department at the this time and meet with the Village of Blue Mound and see if they would like to coop with the City of Macon.

A motion was made by Alderwoman Claussen, seconded by Alderman Huggins to have the Mayor meet with Blue Mound and discuss the co-op option. If Blue Mound does not want to do a co-op the City will not have a contractual officer. Motion carried.

Mayor Dunmire presented the final pay estimate for the Sanitary Rock Filter project to be paid to Entler Excavating in the amount of \$24,884.91.

A motion was made by Alderwoman Claussen, seconded by Alderman Huggins to approve the final pay estimate to Entler Excavating in the amount of \$24,884.91. Motion carried.

Mayor Dunmire recommended that the City purchase a new floor scrubber. The cost of the floor scrubber will be \$2,999.00 and \$145.53 for freight.

A motion was made Alderwoman Claussen, seconded by Alderman Rappe to purchase a new floor scrubber. Motion carried.

Sue Cole informed the Council that the mobile food pantry that sets-up at the Community Center quarterly needs a new chairperson to coordinate the mobile food pantry. Charlie Dunmire will talk to his church about coordinating the mobile pantry.

Mayor Dunmire requested a \$2,000.00 donation to the Macon Community Christmas baskets.

A motion was made by Alderwoman Claussen, seconded by Alderman Huggins to approve a donation of \$2,000.00 to Macon Community Christmas Baskets. Motion carried.

Mayor Dunmire informed the Council that Santa would be at the Community Center from 11 – 1 on December 1st. Volunteers always welcome.

Alderman Windell nothing to report on streets and alleys.

Alderwoman Claussen presented the P&Ls.

Alderman Huggins reported the basketball court has been installed. Charlie and Cody have contacted different security companies about putting a security system at the new park. There have been two incidents of vandalism.

Alderman Beasley informed the Council that the Mayor and Charlie have met with several different water meter companies. Mayor Dunmire would like Charlie and Caleb to join him and go to Southern Illinois and review a new water meter system they have before choosing which meter should replace the City's existing meters that need to be replaced.

Mayor Dunmire would like Illinois Rural Water Association to do a cost study for water/sewer rate increase. He also informed that IRWA has done an energy efficiency assessment. Macon has made the necessary changes for energy cost savings.

Water Supt Charlie Dunmire informed the Council that Kenny Renfro would like to hook on to City water on Ridlen Road. The Mayor informed that project cost has been paid and the only cost to hooking on to the water is a \$50.00 tapping fee.

Alderman Beasley informed the Council that he has a couple of building permits in the works. He will be issuing building permits and will keep the City updated on any zoning matters.

Alderman Rappe informed the Council that the business sign is repaired and businesses no longer in operation have been removed. The City is waiting for an amended invoice for the work that has been done.

Attorney Scott Garwood presented Ordinance No. 20181112-01, an Ordinance for the levy and assessment of taxes for the City of Macon for the fiscal year commencing May 1, 2018 and ending April 20, 2019.

A motion was made by Alderman Rappe, seconded by Alderman Beasley to approve Ordinance No. 20181112-01. Motion carried.

Attorney Garwood informed the Council that the sexual harassment ordinance has to be amended to state that a person has 300 days to file a claim. He will have it at the next meeting.

Attorney Garwood updated the Council on the dilapidated properties. He did make contact with owner of the house on Front Street. The owner wants to bring the property up to code.

Treasurer Huggins presented the Treasurer's report.

A motion was made by Alderwoman Claussen, seconded by Alderman Beasley to approve the Treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Windell, seconded by Alderman Rappe to pay the bills as presented. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderwoman Claussen, seconded by Alderman Huggins to adjourn. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Pam Windell, City Clerk