



MONROE CITY COUNCIL
Finance & Human Resources
Committee Meeting
Tuesday, September 15, 2020, 5:30 p.m.
Zoom Online Meeting Platform

Committee
Councilmembers
Patsy Cudaback
Jason Gamble
Kirk Scarboro

MINUTES

I. Call to Order

A regular meeting of the Monroe City Council Finance & Human Resource Committee was held on September 15, 2020, via Zoom. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and Proclamation 20-28 issued by Governor Jay Inslee, in-person attendance is not permitted at this time. The Meeting was called to order by Councilmember Gamble at 5:36 p.m.

Committee Present: Councilmembers Scarboro, Gamble, and Cudaback
Mayor Present: Yes
Staff Present: Pfister, Hasart, Knight, Haley, and Christian

II. Roll Call

III. Approval of Minutes

- A. Meeting minutes of February 18, 2020
- B. Meeting minutes of August 18, 2020

Councilmember Scarboro moved to approve the minutes of February 18, 2020. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Cudaback. On vote, motion carried 3-0.

Councilmember Scarboro moved to approve the minutes of August 18, 2020. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Cudaback. On vote, motion carried 3-0.

IV. New Business

- A. Review Final Court Assessment Report (D. Knight)

Deborah Knight, City Administrator, provided background information on the court assessment report; reviewed prior discussion; and shared the PowerPoint presentation included in the packet materials.

Discussion ensued related to the following topics:

- Cost of new positions
- Staffing and customer service comparisons with Evergreen District Court
- Probation duties
- Contracting costs
- Jail costs
- Funding
- Technology costs
- Revenues



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At the Committee's request, staff will prepare 2020-2023 court services projections and assumptions to be discussed at the October Committee meeting.

V. Other Business

Becky Hasart, Finance Director/City Clerk, provided an update on the City's local banking activities with Opus Bank; short term cash; and the possibility of transitioning to long-term investments. Ms. Hasart will provide another update at the October Committee meeting.

Ms. Hasart reported that the City will not be participating in the social security payroll tax deferment program allowed by the August 8, 2020 Presidential Executive Order.

VI. Next Committee Meeting (October 20, 2020, 5:30 p.m.)

- A. Old Business Close Out
- B. Court Services Cost Projections
- C. Opus Bank Update

VII. Adjournment

There being no further business, Councilmember Cudaback moved to adjourn the meeting; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Gamble. On vote, motion carried 3-0.

The meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.