REGULAR MEETING
CITY COUNCIL

November 5, 2018

Ronnie Thompson, Mayor
Sally W. Sandy, City Manager
Louis E. Vinay, Jr., City Attorney

Wendy Cato
Forrest A. Fleming ) Council
Christopher Hawkins )
Sidney Simmons )

Becky Brinkley, Interpreter

I. Call to Order in the Council Chamber at City Hall at 6:00 p.m.

II. Public Comment
Anyone wishing to speak during this time must sign in with the Clerk before the
meeting begins, and upon being called will have 3 minutes to address the Council.

III. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

IV. Invocation Given by the Rev. Larry Britt, Chaplain – Morganton Department of
Public Safety

V. Introduction of Council

VI. Service Pin
- Alan Clark, Lineman 3, Electric Department, 20 years

VII. Public Advocacy Issues and Strategies

a. Proclamation: Hunger and Homeless Awareness Week
Accepted by: Alison Azbell, Executive Director and Samantha Yancey,
Case Manager, The Meeting Place Mission
b. Announcements:
   • Election Day – tomorrow, Tuesday, November 6

   • City Hall will be closed on November 22-23 for the Thanksgiving Day holiday / Trash pick-up Thanksgiving week will be as normal, Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday. Thursday pick-up will be a day early on Wednesday.

   • City Council / Cable Commission – Joint Meeting on Tuesday, December 11, 5:30 p.m., Morganton City Council Chamber to receive information about the digital cable TV transition

   • CoMMA – Award from South Arts for Most Progressive Theater
     Jim Smith, CoMMA Director

c. Upcoming events:
   • CoMMA:
     Yesterday – A Tribute to the Beatles, Saturday, November 17, 7:30 p.m.
     “A Very Electric Christmas” Lightwire Theater – Thursday, November 29, 7:30 p.m.

   • Downtown events:
     Farmers Market – Saturday, November 17, 10:00 a.m., North Green Street
     Memorial Tree Lighting and Winter Carnival, Saturday, November 17 beginning at 5:00 p.m.
     Santa Claus in downtown, Friday and Saturday evenings, beginning November 23, 4-7 p.m.
     Carriage rides in downtown, Friday and Saturday evenings, beginning November 23, 5:30-9 p.m.

VIII. North Carolina Municipal Power Agency Number 1 Update – There are two seats from NCMPA1 to the ElectriCities’ Board of Directors. The nominations are Steven Peeler from Lincolnton in the majority vote seat and Randy McCaslin from High Point in the weighted vote seat.

IX. Consent Agenda – All items below are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council member, staff member or citizen so requests. In the event a request is made, the item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered under Item X.

A. Approval of Minutes – For a Regular Meeting and a Special Meeting both held on October 1, 2018.

   RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve minutes as submitted.
B. **Consideration of Amendment of Ordinance Concerning Frequency of Trash Collection**

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Amend Section 4-2006(a)(1) of the Code of Ordinances to provide that ordinarily the frequency of residential back yard solid waste collection is once per week.

C. **Consideration of an Amendment to the Public Assembly Ordinance**

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Amend Section 6-2035(c) of the Code of Ordinances concerning permitting and fees for regular or recurring parades or public assemblies at the same location.

D. **Consideration of a Budget Amendment / Firemen’s Supplemental Retirement**

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve a budget amendment in the amount of $2,251 for the Firemen’s Supplemental Retirement Fund.

E. **Consideration of Application for a Certificate of Taxicab Franchises**

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve issuance of Taxicab Franchises to Michael W. Gilbert (Ace Cab), Larry Segars (City Cab) and Claudia Morales (Becerra Translation & Associates).

F. **Consideration of Renewal of Contract for Lobbying Services**

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve contract with Nexsen Pruet, PLLC, for professional lobbying services with the State of North Carolina, for the period November 1, 2018 through December 31, 2020, in the amount of $45,000 per year through 2019 and $50,000 for the year 2020.

G. **Consideration of Award of Contract for Purchase and Award of Financing for a Sewer Vac-Pump Combination Truck for the Distribution/Collection Division**

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS: Approve the installment purchase of a Sewer Vac-Pump Combination Truck from Southern Vac for the amount of $398,000.

Award financing to BB&T for a Sewer Vac Truck in the amount of $398,000 for a five year term at a rate of $3.29%.
H. Consideration of Award of Contract for Purchase and Award of Financing for Public Safety Vehicles

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS: Approve the award of contracts to Ilderton Dodge and the NC Sheriff’s Association co-op for the purchase of eight (8) Dodge Chargers and one (1) Ford Explorer totaling $400,173.

Award financing to BB&T for Public Safety vehicles in the amount of $400,173 for a three year term at a rate of $3.07%.

I. Consideration of Award of Contract to Purchase Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA)

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Award a contract to Municipal Emergency Services (MES) for Scott Air Packs and appurtenances at a cost of $383,855.15.

X. Items Removed from Consent Agenda

XI. New Business

A. Public Hearings

1. Public Hearing and Consideration of Closing an Alley Extending Northward from Concord Street between South Sterling and South Green Streets

B. Other Business

1. Consideration of Approval of Contract for Design of Signalization of the Intersection of South Sterling Street and a New Connector Road to West Parker Road

2. Consideration of a Request for a Mainstreet Small Business Loan to Reece Winery, LLC

3. Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the City to Submit an Application to the Greater Hickory MPO / College Street Complete Streets Project

4. 30-Day Notice / Boards and Commissions
   a. Burke Development, Inc. (BDI)
   b. Community House Board

5. Appointments to Boards and Commissions
   a. Historic Preservation
   b. Human Relations Commission
XII. Other Items from City Manager and City Council Not on Agenda

XIII. Reports

XIV. Adjournment