

City of Midway
City Council Meeting Minutes
January 30, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by Mayor Brenda Ford

The Invocation was given Councilman John Whitmire, Mayor Ford led the Pledge.

Those in attendance included Mayor Brenda Ford, City Secretary Debra Newkirk, Council members John Whitmire Rex Newkirk, Gus Kangos, Marc Nelson and Brandee Curtis. Janet Boone and Wes Savage were also in attendance.

Gus Kangos made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda, Marc Nelson made the second and with all being in agreement the motion carried.

Mirenda Harris, with Grant Works, was the guest in attendance and she was there to bring the Council information on Grant Works and her time with the company. She was also able to further explain that were before the Council regarding the CDBG 23/24 grant program. At this time, Resolution 2023-09R was presented to the Council; this resolution signifies the City's intent to file an application for CDBG 23/24 with TDA. John Whitmire made the motion to approve the resolution, Brandee Curtis made the second, and with all voting in agreement the motion passed.

Resolution 2023-10R was presented to Council. Ms. Harris explained that since HUD is the governmental agency in charge of the CDBG program, there are several policies that they require cities to adopt when applying funds. The policies included as part of the resolution are Citizen Participation Plan, Excessive Force Policy, Policy against Discrimination based on Handicap and Grievance Procedures, and a Fair Housing Policy. Councilwoman Brandee Curtis made the motion to approve the resolution, Gus Kangos made the second and with all voting in favor the motion carried.

At this time Ms. Harris left the meeting.

Ordinance 2023-03 was presented to Council; this ordinance is calling for the election of three council members to be held on May 6, 2023. The three council members up for re-election include John Whitmire, Rex Newkirk and Gus Kangos. Gus Kangos made the motion to approve the ordinance, John Whitmire made the second and with all voting in agreement the motion carried.

The 1st Quarter Budget Review was presented to the Council. The City ended the quarter with a deficit of \$36,295.25. Income for the quarter was \$64,065.11 with expenses totaling \$100,360.36. Expenditures for the quarter included: annual insurance renewal of \$7,480.34; generator maintenance of \$12,723.71; water system maintenance and repairs of \$11,795.94; and chemical supplies in the amount of \$6,419.69. These expenses total \$38,619.68; of these expenses approximately \$1,000 of the insurance is needing to be refunded or credited; \$6,723.71 exceeds what was proposed for generator maintenance; the amount spent on water system maintenance and repair is \$3,204.06 less than what was budgeted for the year; and chemical supplies are \$880.31 less than what was budgeted for the year. \$7,723.71 exceeds what was budgeted for the year for insurance and generator maintenance and \$4,084.37 is what remains in the budget for water system maintenance and repair and chemical supplies. No action was taken on this matter as no monies are moved during the first quarter.

The next item before the Council was to approve a quote from Collard Construction for a concrete slab and small building for the aeration system at the lagoon. The aeration system is being paid for from Local/State Fiscal Recovery Funds (LSFRF) which are derived from ARPA (American Recovery Plan

Act) funds. Two quotes were provided by Collard Construction; the first quote provides for a 14' x 10' with a flat roof, small room & 6" slab on the north side with a walk through door at a cost of \$6,500.00. The second quote provides for a 14' x 10' with a peak roof, 6" slab & small room on north side with walk through door at a cost of \$8,500.00. Council asked for Wes Savage's input and Wes stated that the lesser quote will give him everything he needs and meet the requirements of the plans. Gus Kangos made the motion to approve the quote for \$6,500.00; Rex Newkirk made the second and with all voting in agreement the motion passed.

The Annual Madison County Chamber of Commerce Banquet invitation had been received and was presented to the Council. Cost of a table for 8 is \$400.00 and individual tickets are \$55.00. Catering is being done by the Woodbine Inn and Texas Legends Steakhouse. The event is planned for Friday, February 10th. Gus Kangos made the motion that the Council not attend, Rex Newkirk made the second and with all being in favor of not attending that motion carried.

At this time an update was given on the outstanding paybacks the City has with the Comptroller's Office. Payback number 001 will be completed in August of 2023 and Payback number 002 will be completed in February of 2026. The reason for the paybacks is that someone paid in too much to the Comptroller and it was not discovered until after the Comptroller had paid the money to the City. Each time that an overpayment is discovered, the Comptroller notifies the City via letter, stating the options for paying back the money and each time the City has elected to go with a payment plan that provides a maximum time limit for payback.

Staff Reports were given at this time.

Janet Boone gave the water report stating that everything is good. She stated that everything is in for the aeration system, they are just waiting on the slab and building. Wes stated that he would be getting with Thomas Collard regarding getting the slab in. There was still the question of the electrical and Debra was tasked with reaching out to Entergy to get an update.

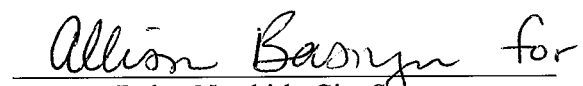
Wes Savage reported things were good.

Debra Newkirk gave the City Secretary's Report. The filing period for an application for a place on the ballot for the City's upcoming election has begun and will end on Friday, February 17th. City Hall will need to remain open until 5 p.m. that day, per the Secretary of State, to allow anyone wishing to file an application to do so within the allotted time frame. The office will be closed on Monday, February 20th for Presidents Day. Also, the RFP for administration for the CDBG-MIT-MOD was in the paper on the 25th of January and all proposals are due in on the 14th of February by 3:00 p.m. The Review Committee will have to meet again to score the proposals and make a recommendation to the Council. Debra let the Review Committee know that she would be getting with them to set up the day and time to meet, at which point the committee members determined that 5:00 p.m. on the 14th worked for each of them and the Mayor asked about a Special Called Meeting being necessary, which it is. At this point, a motion was made for the Review Committee to meet at 5 p.m. with a Special Called Council Meeting to follow at 5:30 p.m. Brandee Curtis and Gus Kangos made the motions and with all being in agreement, the dates and times were set.

At this time, Gus Kangos made the motion to adjourn, John Whitmire made the second and with all being in agreement the meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.



Brenda Ford, Mayor



Debra Newkirk, City Secretary
Allison Basinger