

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

June 29, 2020

The City Council of the City of Montezuma met in special session at City Hall on Monday, June 29, 2020. The meeting was called to order at noon with Mayor J. Bolen presiding.

COUNCIL PRESENT: Willrich, Eichenberger, Webb & C. Bolen

COUNCIL ABSENT: Watts

ALSO, PRESENT: Abby Hubbard

A motion to approve the remaining FY2020 claims was made by Councilmember Webb and a second from Councilmember Willrich. Ayes: all, Nays: none.

The Mayor instructed the Council that a decision on the FY2021 City Employee raises needed to be decided as the first payroll for the new year will need to be figured soon. The Council has some concerns on the City's financial future with the reduction in revenues due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the sewer upgrade project and having the 3rd Street Project getting ready to start. Not knowing the final outcomes of the effects of the pandemic havoc has left the Council cautious. Hubbard explained that the Library Board did not figure any kind of raise into their budget and that Grimm did receive a bump in her salary after her initial 90 days of employment. Councilmember Eichenberger stated he was in favor of some kind of raise, but he didn't think it would be wise for a 3% raise like the Water Board approved for part of their workforce. Councilmember C. Bolen agreed with Councilmember Eichenberger and explained that he would be more comfortable going with 2% instead. Councilmember C. Bolen then made a motion to move forward with a 2% raise for FY2021 for all City employees that have been employed for at least the last 12 months and to increase the Brush Pile Attendant's hourly wage to \$10.25/hour. A second was made by Councilmember Eichenberger. Ayes: all, Nays: none.

Other items discussed included the trailer park and other properties with nuisance issues, and the possible Urban Renewal plan.

Councilmember Webb made a motion to adjourn at 12:56 p.m. with a second from Eichenberger. Ayes: all, Nays: none.

City Clerk

Mayor