

AGENDA

December 23, 2021

In Person at Jackson EMC

Meeting called to order by Mayor Paul Walton

Pledge of Allegiance to Flag/Moment of Silence

Introduction of Guests:

Minutes and financial reports are presented:

Old Business

Compensation for Mayor/Council Members (Mayor)

ARPA Funding (Mayor)

Update Speed Bumps (John Barber)

Update Flag Pole/Landscaping at Well (Brian Koepnick)

Cities United Summit (Mayor)

TSPLOST (Mayor)

Web Site Update (Marilyn Walton)

Newsletter and Web Site (Mayor)

City Hall Update

New Business

2022 Budget (Clerk)

Intergovernmental Agreement with County/

Board of Elections (Clerk)

Resolution NEGRC Solid Waste (Clerk)

Mural at Chevron

Glen Carrie Road Street Lighting (Mayor)

GDOT (Mayor)

Other business/comments

MINUTES OF THE CITY OF HULL MAYOR AND COUNCIL

November 18,, 2021

Meeting Held in Person at Jackson EMC

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Paul Walton. Those in attendance in addition to the Mayor and the Clerk were council members Brian Koepnick, Marilyn Walton, Donna Gantt and John Barber. In addition, council member elect, Mike McElroy was present.

Mayor Walton called the meeting to order after the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silent prayer.

The minutes of the October meeting which had been e-mailed to everyone prior to the meeting for review were unanimously approved after a motion by John Barber and a second by Donna-Sherrer-Gantt.

The October Financial Reports which had also been e-mailed to everyone for review prior to the meeting were unanimously approved after a motion by Brian Koepnick and a second by John Barber.

Prior to addressing the Agenda items Mayor Walton again reminded council members that he wanted them to be more involved with placing items on the agenda.

Due to other concerns raised with respect to the Zoning Ordinance no vote was taken however Mayor Walton advised that he would contact Mr. Jacques with NEGRC and schedule another work session to go over the concerns and hopefully be able to bring the matter back for a vote at the December meeting.

Mayor Walton advised that the uses for ARPA funds were continuing to evolve. In that regard he advised that he had received the verification from the Chevron with respect to their previous application for premium pay however the verification had to be revised and a new verification will be required before the Council can consider approval of the application. The Clerk advised that she had checked the web-site and they have not received any other funds.

Mayor Walton then inquired of council if they had had a chance to review the information concerning the required environmental study in connection with the new City Hall. Mayor Walton further advised that he had hoped to obtain 3 quotes however he had only had two responses and the current quote is much less than the first quote. All council members advised that they had reviewed and felt like it was a very comprehensive proposal. The cost will be \$5,700.00 and the funds would come from the SPLOST account. Motion was made by council member Gantt and seconded by council member Walton and unanimously approved to move forward with this proposal.

Under new business the Clerk advised that budget amendments were necessary to the Advertising Budget and the Grounds Maintenance. She recommended an addition of \$2,100.00 to the Grounds Upkeep Budget and \$500.00 to the advertising budget. Motion was made by council member Koepnick and seconded by council member Gantt and unanimously approved to accept this recommendation.

The Clerk advised Mayor and Council that unless there were other suggestions the Budget

meeting on the 2022 budget would be held at 6:30 immediately prior to the December council meeting on December 23rd. Mayor Walton advised that he would be working to trim the budget in certain areas next year including grounds upkeep and dues. He also advised that the grounds upkeep would be put out for bid.

Mayor Walton asked the Clerk to read an e-mail that he had received from Commission Chairman Higdon concerning possible re-allocation of TSPLOST funds. No action was needed on this as it was for information only at this time.

Mayor Walton advised council about his ongoing research concerning the uses of ARPA funds which as stated earlier are constantly changing. He is hopeful of finding ways to compensate the Clerk with premium pay since she is our only employee and although she does not meet with the public she is still required to be out and about dealing with people. He is in constant contact with the City Attorney and other Mayors about usage of these funds to make sure that everything is done correctly and legally. Mayor Walton also advised that he tried to argue the fact that our city has no department heads and that the City elected officials serve as department heads however no additional pay is allowed for elected officials at this time.

Mayor Walton also advised that he was looking into what is required to move forward with an increase in pay for Mayor and council members. The pay has been the same since at least 2008 which is currently \$1,250.00 for the Mayor and \$650.00 for council members annually.

Council member Gantt advised that she had not heard back from Ms. Mitchell who was at the last meeting therefore there was nothing new to report with respect to whether or not the City would be interested in working with her company.

Council member Gantt also provided some additional information with respect to the joint food distribution with Huff Grove Baptist Church. The costs would be split between the church and the City; would be held at City Hall as previously done; the church would provide additional volunteers and it looked like a date in February would be the earliest date that this could be done. Council member Walton also expressed her desire that we help the Senior Center with Meals on Wheels although nothing specific was discussed.

Council member Walton advised that L'Goff would begin putting up the Christmas Decorations this weekend and inquired as to whether we wanted to schedule a tree lighting as we have done in the past. It was decided to do this on December 6th at 6:00 p.m. The Clerk with the assistance of Council member Walton will send an announcement to the newspaper.

Council member Koepnick advised that he had met at the Well with Mr. Davis, the gentleman he has been dealing with about the flag project and he felt like the City's idea was a good one. The costs will be more than originally thought since the current flag poles are made out of different material than what was quoted and we would want them to all be the same material.

Mayor Walton advised that he had requested the Clerk to issue a check to the Fire Department for \$11,000.00 which had been approved for them for the new turn out gear however when he met with them they did not have a receipt since they will not order the gear until the first quarter of next year. The check was returned to the Clerk and will be re-issued once they can provide a receipt.

Council member Barber indicated that he was having trouble making contact with the company

where we would be purchasing speed bumps for Easy and Davis Streets but was hopeful of speaking to them soon to get these ordered.

There being no further business at this time the meeting was adjourned after a motion by John Barber and a second by Brian Koepnick and a unanimous approval

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Pou, City Clerk

INCOME/EXPENSE STATEMENT

CITY OF HULL

November, 2021

Beginning Balance (11/1/20)		\$ 66,278.60
Revenue received during November		\$ 5,232.66
LOST	3931.28	
TAVT	964.84	
Excise Tax (Misc. Inc.)	336.54	
Checks written during November		\$ 6,233.05
AT&T (Clerk Internet)	40.00	
MC Water Dept.	25.00	
Hull VFD	705.41	
Verizon	118.79	
Card Service Center (credit card payment)	824.01	
Mainstreet News	60.70	
Paul Walton (reimb. for gas for newsletter)	10.00	
Clarence Sorrells	2450.00	
Paul Walton (reimb. gas training)	9.14	
GMA (2020 training exp.)	240.00	
L'Goff (balance due Christmas Decorations)	1750.00	
Jackson Electric Drafts		976.00
City of Hull	806.00	
City of Hull	42.00	
City of Hull	59.00	
City of Hull	69.00	
 November Ending Balance		 \$64,302.21

SPLOST ACCOUNT STATEMENT
Commercial Bank - Bond Account
November, 2021

Beginning Balance (11/1/20)	\$94,949.02
<u>Interest for November</u>	<u>\$ 3.90</u>
	<u>\$94,952.92</u>
Less:	
TransSafe (speed bumps)	4917.13
 BALANCE END OF NOVEMBER	 \$ 90,035.79

ARPA ACCOUNT STATEMENT
First American Bank

November, 2021

Beginning Balance \$32,910.60

Less :

BALANCE AT END OF NOVEMBER \$32,910.60

City of Hull

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Register: City of Hull - General Account

From 11/01/2021 through 11/30/2021

Sorted by: Date, Type, Number/Ref

Date	Number	Payee	Account	Memo	Payment C	Deposit	Balance
11/02/2021	2949	Clarence Sorrells	52.2140 Lawn Care		1,235.00		65,043.60
11/02/2021	2950	Hull VFD	Service Agreement wit...		705.41		64,338.19
11/02/2021	2951	Mainstreet News	52.3300 Advertising	Final Zoning Ad	60.70		64,277.49
11/02/2021	2952	Paul Walton	52.3900 Other Purchas...	Reimbursement...	10.00		64,267.49
11/05/2021	EFT	Jackson EMC-HWY ...	53.1200 Energy:53.123...	1744661	806.00		63,461.49
11/05/2021	EFT	Jackson EMC-City H...	53.1200 Energy:53.123...	846789	69.00		63,392.49
11/10/2021	2953	Clarence Sorrells	52.2140 Lawn Care		1,215.00		62,177.49
11/12/2021	EFT	Jackson EMC Perm ...	53.1200 Energy:53.123...	995029	42.00		62,135.49
11/12/2021	EFT	Jackson EMC-SM Ki...	53.1200 Energy:53.123...	846791	59.00		62,076.49
11/15/2021	2954	Madison County Wat...	53.1200 Energy:53.121...		25.00		62,051.49
11/21/2021	2955	AT&T	53.1200 Energy:Internet		40.00		62,011.49
11/21/2021	2956	Verizon Wireless	53.1200 Energy:Cell P...		118.79		61,892.70
11/21/2021	2957	Card Service Center	FABAT Credit Card		824.01		61,068.69
11/23/2021			-split-	Deposit		1,301.38	62,370.07
11/23/2021	2958	Miscellaneous Items ...	52.3900 Other Purchas...		9.14		62,360.93
11/23/2021	2959	Georgia Municipal A...	52.3700 Education and...	Training 2020	240.00		62,120.93
11/24/2021	2960	L'Goff Moving Service	52.3900 Other Purchas...	Christmas Dec...	1,750.00		60,370.93
11/29/2021			31.3100 Local Option ...	Deposit		3,931.28	64,302.21