

Called Council Meeting  
January 31, 2023 (6:00 p.m.)  
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At the Called Council Meeting held on the above date the following members were present:

Mayor Horace Hudgins  
City Council: Patrice Y.W. Manley, Lemora Moses, Steven Hudson, and Claire Stone  
City Clerk: Lucile Middlebrooks  
City Attorney: Warren Mixon  
Public Works Director: Cornelius Hall  
Standards and Compliance Director: Joe Saxon  
Interim Police Chief: John D. Anderson

- First: Mayor Horace Hudgins called the meeting to order and determined a quorum, prayer by Councilwoman Claire Stone and then the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was pledged and spoken by everyone.
- Second: Adopting of the Agenda for Tuesday, January 31, 2023  
Motion by Councilwoman Patrice Y.W. Manley and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Lemora Moses to adopt the agenda for Tuesday, January 31, 2023  
All in favor - Vote 4 yes; Opposes None; Motion passed.
- Third: Introduction of New Employees  
No new employees to introduce.
- Fourth: Still Waters Engineer Chad Griffin – discussing CDBG grant  
Still Waters Engineer Chad Griffin present a summary of the CDBG 2021 grant which covers the area from West 11<sup>th</sup> Street to W 8<sup>th</sup> Street and Oak Street to McKinley Street. The project is estimated to be \$2,000,000 and it bid out in the next 60 days.  
No vote necessary.
- Fifth: Appointing New Police Chief  
Mayor Horace Hudgins stated that Personnel Committee Chairman Steven Hudson will give the details of appointing the new Police Chief. Councilman Steven Hudson state the committee approve Ashley Jones as the Chief of Police.  
Mayor called for a motion.

Motion by Councilman Steven Hudson and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Patrice Y.W. Manley  
All in favor – Voted 4 yes; Opposes none – Motion passed.

Sixth: 2023 Standing Committees and Appointments

**STANDING COMMITTEES – 2023**

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

*Claire M. Clayton-Stone, Chairman*

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**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

*Patrice Y. W. Manley, Chairman*

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**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**

*Steven Hudson, Chairman  
Lemora Moses*

**RECREATION COMMITTEE**

*Lemora Moses, Sr. Chairman  
Claire M. Clayton-Stone*

**PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**

*Steven Hudson, Chairman  
Patrice Y.W. Manley*

**The Industrial Authority Board**

*Councilman Steven Hudson  
Mr. Matt Young*

*Approved at the \_\_\_\_\_ Council Meeting*

**ETHICS COMMITTEE – APPOINTED 2016 & Updated**

Peggy Day – appointed May 3, 2016  
Maurice Lake – appointed September 6, 2016  
Lisa Cook – appointed September 6, 2016  
Terry Johnson – appointed September 6, 2016  
Vacant

Mayor Horace Hudgins stated we will keep the same committee and the elected council member will replace whatever position on the committee that former Council member Mona MacKenzie held.

Motion by Councilwoman Claire Stone and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Steven Hudson to accept the 2023 Standing Committees.  
All in favor – Voted 4 yes: Opposes none – Motion passed.

Seventh: Appointments to the Ocilla/Irwin Co. Planning and Advisory Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals

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12/12/2022

RE: Appointments to the Ocilla/Irwin Co. Planning and Advisory Commission and Zoning board of Appeals

To: County Commission and City Council:

The Zoning Staff recommends the following people for REAPPOINTMENT to the Planning and Advisory Commission to serve as follows:

- Nancy Mitchell Croft (2023-2025)
- Tra Miller (2023-2025)
- Tara Smith (2022-2024)

The Zoning Staff recommends the following people for REAPPOINTMENT to the Zoning board of Appeals Planning and Advisory Commission to serve as follows:

- Vernon Wells(2022-2024)
- Frank White (2022-2024)
- Tara Smith (2023-2025)
- Rusty Hickey (2022-2024)

Each of these have agreed to serve the said term and have been recommended by the Zoning Staff on 12/12/22.

Would you please notify me of the decision of the Commission and the City Council.

Sincerely,  
  
Jessica Harris  
Irwin County Building and Zoning Administrator

Motion by Councilman Lemora Moses and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Claire Stone  
To accept and approve the recommendation of the Irwin County Building &  
Zoning Department.

All in favor – Voted 4 yes: Opposes none – Motion passed.

Eighth:

Awarding LMIG Bid

Mayor Horace Hudgins stated that Statewide Engineer Mark Dill will present the  
bid information. Mr. Dill stated that East Coast Asphalt was the lowest bidder on  
the LMIG project and amount \$414,821.90

Mayor called for a motion.

Motion by Councilman Lemora Moses and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Patrice Y.W.  
Manley

All in favor – Voted 4 yes; Opposes none – Motion passed.

Ninth:

Executive Session if required

None required

Tenth:

Reports from Council Districts

District 2

Councilwoman Patrice Y.W. Manley previous damage from previous  
project and is burn barrels in the burn ordinance.

District 3

Councilman Lemora Moses stated that he will inform his constituents  
about the CDBG grant.

District 4

Councilman Steven Hudson stated that the lights at South Apricot and  
West Park Streets are out. Also, the lights at Hwy 319/129 where you turn  
at the golf course, South Alder, and Five Bridge Road.

District 5

Councilwoman Claire Stone bragged on Public Works Director Corneilus  
Hall. The DDA committee is planning Community Day. DDA will not  
meet next Tuesday.

New Police Chief Ashley Jones stated that the Sheriff's department is changing out the radio and he gave the Mayor and Council a quote to review. Chief Jones introduced Officer Dewayne Williams.

Former Interim Chief John David Anderson in reference to the police radios the system's repeater is out dated.

Motion by Councilwoman Patrice Y.W. Manley and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Lemora Moses to approve the purchase and for the funds to come out of the Technology Fund.

All in favor Vote 4 yes: Opposes None: Meeting adjourned.

City Clerk Lucile Middlebrooks stated that the alleys and some streets need to be re-cut and cut back for the purposes of the garbage truck to travel to pick up resident's garbage.

Councilman Hudson asked the status of the utility bill system.

City Clerk Middlebrooks stated that the utility bills system is still a work in progress. Residents should be receiving a bill from AVR the new utility bill company in March.

Mayor Horace Hudgins recognized Irwin County Sheriff Cody Youghn, Irwin County Commission Chairman Scott Carver, Judge Heather Culpepper,

Eleventh: Mayor called for a motion to adjourn.  
Motion by Councilman and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Steven Hudson to adjourn the meeting.  
All in favor Vote 4  
yes; Opposes None; Meeting adjourned.

MEETING ADJOURNED:

MAYOR HORACE HUDGINS

CITY CLERK LUCILE MIDDLEBROOKS