



**Town of Mason
Mayor & Board of Alderman
Special Call Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, August 27, 2026, 6:50PM**

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Eddie Noeman

OPENING PRAYER: Alderman Virginia Rivers

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Recited by all

ROLL CALL: Mayor Eddie Noeman, Interim Town Administrator, Terry Leggett; Vice Mayor Reynaldo Givhan, Alderman Alethea Harris, Alderman Carolyn Catron, Alderman Trowanna Broadnax, Alderman Virginia Rivers, and Town Recorder Lureatha Harris
(Alderman Mary Mason arrived at 6:51pm)

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Vernetia Boyd, CMFO; Richard Jewell, Chief of MPD; and Benetra Harvey/IT

VISITORS: Linnie Agnew, Elizabeth Hayes, Reuben Meyer Jr., Margaret Adams, Ruby Kelly, Reuben Meyer, Willie Fletcher, Thelma Perry, E. Thompson, Shannon Whitfield, Wita Rene Todd, Michael Harris and Laloma Harris

OLD BUSINESS:

- **UPDATE ON THE INSTALLATION OF THE AMI WATER METERS**

Mr. Leggett reported that we might have 4 water meters left to be installed and they should be finished tomorrow.

****Mr. Leggett reported that due to changes in the front office at City Hall, late fees will be waived, and the plan is to have bills submitted by the 10th of the month. ****

NEW BUSINESS:

- **VOTE TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. R08172026-2 AMENDING THE FY27 BUDGET**

Alderman Harris made a motion to vote to **APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. R08172026-2** and the motion was 2nd by Alderman Mason: vote passed 5-2

(Mayor Noeman and Alderman Catron voted no)



Discussion:

Alderman Harris said the Budget is due by the end of the month. The Comptrollers gave conditional approval of 45-days to make the modifications. Mr. Leggett said the revenues were increased by \$200K, and the expenses were cut. Alderman Harris said the books need to be closed by the end-of-the month. Mr. Leggett assured the Board that everything would be sent in by August 31st and submitted to the Comptrollers. Mr. Leggett said the new Budget will go in on Monday with the modifications and emailed to the Board. The Budget will be amended monthly. Mr. Leggett said last year's Budget could not be balanced. Alderman Rivers mentioned the letter from Sarah Pope and plugging in information correctly. Alderman Rivers mentioned things were different in the finance reports from June and July. Mr. Leggett said he would present a copy of the FY27 Budget and the expenditures, including following trends and line items. The expenditures were more than the revenues.

- **AMENDING THE FY27 BUDGET "VOTE TO APPROVE A CASH FLOW PLAN FOR A TAX ANTICIPATION NOTE"**

Mr. Leggett recommends a cash flow plan not to exceed \$175K and only get the amount of money needed each month and work off the property taxes. Alderman Mason made a motion to **Vote to Approve a Cash Flow Plan for a Tax Anticipation Note**, and the motion was 2nd by Vice Mayor Givhan amending the motion not to exceed \$175K: vote passed 5-2 (Mayor Noeman and Alderman Catron voted no)

Discussion:

Alderman Harris recommended a cash flow plan in writing. Mr. Leggett said this would be done with the help of Angie Deaton. The Budget gives a plan to proceed excess revenue over spending. Alderman Harris said it would take a month and a half to process the tax anticipation note. Mr. Leggett suggests getting money as needed, the Comptrollers will decide for final approval.

- **VOTE TO APPROVE INTERIM TOWN ADMINISTRATOR TERRY LEGGETT CONTRACT**

Alderman Mason made a motion to Approve Interim Town Administrator Terry Leggett Contract, and the motion was 2nd by Alderman Rivers: vote passed 4-3

Mayor Noeman, Vice Mayor Givhan, Alderman Catron, and Alderman Harris voted no)

Alderman Harris said she wanted to rescind her vote and after an ongoing discussion and Mayor Noeman leaving the meeting; **The final actions taken by the Board was a motion made by Alderman Mason to accept a one-year contract with no severance pay and being paid \$1,000 weekly with paid benefits, by working 32- hours weekly.** The motion was 2nd by Alderman Broadnax: vote passed 5-1 (Alderman Catron voted no) and Mayor Noeman was no longer in attendance. Vice Mayor Givhan chaired the meeting after Mayor Noeman left the meeting. (Mayor Noeman left the meeting at 8:25pm)



- **VOTE TO APPROVE AN ESCROW AGREEMENT FOR A RETAINAGE ACCOUNT**

This would be an ESCROW AGREEMENT FOR A RETAINAGE ACCOUNT \$32K was involved in the Grant for an escrow account through Davina for National Water Service; for the purpose of putting in a pipe that needs to be put in a special account to remain until the Grant has been satisfied. Mr. Leggett said the email states that using our own money can move money from the Grant Account. Alderman Rivers made a motion to **APPROVE AN ESCROW AGREEMENT FOR A RETAINAGE ACCOUNT**, and the motion was 2nd by Alderman Harris: vote passed 5-1 (Alderman Catron voted no)

Discussion

Mr. Leggett asked the Board if they would allow him to contact an attorney of the Board's choice. Patterson Bray is available for legal advice or MTAS.

CONSTITUENTS COMMENTS/CONCERNS:

Some constituents were concerned about following up on a Public Hearing regarding Core Civic. Vice Mayor Givhan recommended following up with Mayor Noeman.

Elizabeth Hayes questioned the new hire for the front office at City Hall; some Board Members were made aware of the process.

CLOSING PRAYER: Vice Mayor Reynaldo Givhan

MOTION TO ADJOURN: Vice Mayor Givhan made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and the motion was 2nd by Alderman Broadnax: All agreed (Meeting adjourned at 8:49PM)

Eddie Noeman, Mayor

Date

Lureatha Harris, Town Recorder

Terry Leggett, Interim Town Administrator