



**Town of Mason Mayor and Board of Aldermen Finance Committee Meeting Minutes
Thursday, January 20, 2022, at 6:51PM**

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Emmit Gooden

OPENING PRAYER: Vice Mayor Virginia Rivers

ROLL CALL: Mayor Emmit Gooden, Vice Mayor Virginia Rivers, Alderwoman Celia Chastain, Alderman Eddie Noeman, Alderwoman Carolyn Catron, Alderwoman Shate' Toliver, Alderman Sylvester Harvey, and Town Recorder Lureatha Harris

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Ronda Hughey, Financial Consultant; and Matalee Hall, Public Works Director Reva Marshall, Financial Officer; and Norma Davis, Assistant to the Mayor/Office Manager; were absent

OLD BUSINESS:

- FY20 Audit Update

Ms. Hughey reported that information has been provided to the Auditors, but one (1) item is being researched in payroll. Ms. Hughey said a Draft should be presented from the Auditors by the end of this month. Ms. Hughey will follow up with the Auditors via email.

- WWB Investigative Report

Ms. Marshall submitted information to the Wastewater Board for the Investigative Report. No information has been received back from the report.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

- December 2021 Financial Report
Reviewed and discussed all fund accounts for clarity. Ms. Hughey will check for further information on the Drug Income Statement, regarding **Undercover Operations-totaling \$3,732.00.**
- Fee Increases (Permit & Court Cost)
Mayor Gooden encouraged the Board Members, to review the Permit Fees, and provide feedback at the Finance Committee Meeting, on February 17,2022. Mayor Gooden recommend comparing the Permit Fees that the Town of Mason have in comparison to other Municipalities.

The Court Cost Fees were discussed, and handouts were provided with the fee amounts



charged by other municipalities for comparison. Mayor Gooden, and the Board Members agreed that the Town of Mason is in range with other Municipalities. **There were no changes made to the Court Costs for the Town of Mason.**

- SkyCop Cost Inquiry
Ms. Hughey reported that renovations are continually going on at the Police Department, and we would need to hold off on the Skycop.

Mayor Gooden recommend that Attorney Clayton review the contract with Waste Pro regarding missed garbage pickup on multiple occasions. Waste Pro was given a 90-day probationary period last year, however, the time has lapsed for the probation.

The Water and Wastewater Board will conduct a Meeting in person and via Zoom. The Towns' website will be updated as a reminder when the Meeting will be held. All Department Heads, Auditors, and the Towns' Attorney will be included in the Meeting.

Mayor Gooden informed the Board that **proposals only**, were submitted for the Budget. The Budget **will not be changed until everything is updated.**

CLOSING PRAYER: Alderwoman Carolyn Catron

MOTION TO ADJOURN: Alderwoman Toliver made a motion to adjourn, and the motion was 2nd by Alderman Harvey: vote passed 6-0 (Meeting adjourned at 7:56PM)

NEXT STEPS

Next Finance Committee Meeting: Thursday, February 17, 2022, at 6:30PM

Next Board Meeting: Monday, February 21, 2022, at 6:30PM

DOCUMENTS

Resources: December 2021 Financial Statements

Emmit Gooden, Mayor

Date

Lureatha Harris, Town Recorder