

City of Harrison

Council Meeting

February 22, 2018 – 6:00 pm

Mayor Sherrell called the Council Meeting to order.
Reverend Heath Kirkpatrick opened the meeting in prayer.
Mayor Sherrell led the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Chris Head: **P**; Mary Jean Creager: **P**; Mitch Magness: **P**; John Eoff: **P**
Ryan Oswalt: **A**; Heath Kirkpatrick: **P**; Joel Williams: **P**; Dena Taylor: **A**

Approval of previous minutes:

The minutes from the January 25, 2018 Council meeting were presented to the Council for their approval. Council Member Creager moved to approve the minutes as presented. Council Member Magness seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

Department Reports:

December Sales Tax:

Mayor Sherrell advised the Council that they had received the numbers for the December 2017 Sales Tax. He was pleased to announce that December had been an all time record for Harrison.

Public Works:

Public Works Director Phillips gave a presentation outlining the 2026 Infrastructure Tax, and how necessary this is to the future of our City.

Committee Reports

Finance:

Council Member Magness made a motion to accept the results of the 2016 Water and Sewer Audit as presented to the Council at the previous meeting. Council Member Williams seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

Public Safety:

Fire Chief Holt announced to the Council that the final payment had been made on the fire trucks. He went on to report that the note was paid off almost 2 years early saving the city thousands in interest.

New Business:

Ignite Youth Presentation:

Reanna Barkley and Elaina Bright, and sever other youth members addressed the Council and told them about their program and a recent trip to Washington DC to receive training on ways to reach out and grow their youth organization here in Harrison.

Inland Waste – Single Stream Recycling:

Keith Richardson with Inland Waste addressed the Council in regards to Single Stream Recycling and introduced Mark Speakman with MARCK Recycling. Speakman explained that his company was currently accepting Harrison's single stream recycling and reported that Harrison's recycling was above the industry norm for trash in the single stream cans.

He went on to report that approximately 60% of Inlands recycling was being disposed of as trash. He stated that the abuse was a problem that needed to be addressed, noting food waste, yard waste, and dirty diapers as a few common sense items currently being put in the recycle bins. Richardson advised that this was pushing up the costs in the trash service and that they would be implementing steps to educate the public and possibly begin refusing receptacles that had inappropriate items in them.

Citizen Comments:

Rick Schoenberger spoke to the Council advising them that the Harrison Downtown Business Association had met and re-formed their organization. It is their focus to help develop the downtown to help make it more attractive to business to locate to, and bring some community events to the square.

Mayor's Comments:

Mayor Sherrell presented his annual Mayor's State of the City Address. The Mayor reported many accomplishments of 2017 and his views for 2018.

March Council Meeting:

Mayor Sherrell advised that the regularly scheduled meeting was during Harrison's Spring Break. He advised that himself and some Council Members would not be in attendance due to family vacations. He asked if the Council wanted to proceed as usual or if they wanted to reschedule the March Council meeting. Council Member Head made a motion to move the meeting to March 15, 2018 at 6:00 pm. Council Member Williams seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Daniel D. Sherrell, Mayor

Jeff Pratt, Clerk/Treasurer