



**BLAKELY CITY COUNCIL  
COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES**

**DECEMBER 15, 2020**

**CITY HALL**

**5:00 P.M.**

**I) Call To Order, Roll Call, Invocation, Pledge Of Allegiance**

Let the record show that Mayor Travis Wimbush call the workshop to order. Mayor, Travis Wimbush, Councilmember Margaret Davis, Councilmember Hutchins and Councilmember Ray Jarrett were present. Councilmember Brad Clenney was not present. Also present was the City Clerk, Melinda Crook

**II) Discussion Items**

3% annual pay increases for the Councilmembers was discussed.

There was discussion about the Christmas function. The Council agreed to give all employees \$25 gift card to be used at participating restaurants in town. They also agreed to have a 55" flat screen smart TV as a door prize.

The Council discussed some of the budget changes, The Chamber, Economic Development and 3% cost of living increases for the employees

The Council discussed/agreed giving the cost of living increases to part time employees/employees on the back of the garbage truck- part time are included except those that are within their 6mth probation.

Councilmember Hutchins questioned the additional 1% for merit

Councilmember Jarrett discussed the Councilmembers each one taking three departments to monitor.

Councilmember Jarrett – E911, Police and Fire

Councilmember Clenney – Water/Sewer, Street and Gas

Councilmember Davis – Landfill/Sanitation, Administration

Councilmember Hutchins – Electric, Shop, Water Treatment

There was discussion about monitoring responsibilities to include but not limited to – Talk with Department Heads, know what is going on in the Department, Handle problems in their departments and consult on resolutions.

There was discussion on separating the Landfill and Sanitation. There was also discussion of making the person over the Shop be over Sanitation. It was also discussed the process of determining who this person may be. There was discussion about certifications being over departments. It was discussed taking 6mths to review department head certifications and what is needed in each department. Protocols and standards need to be set. There was further discussion about timeframes and what needs to be done going forward. There was discussion about leaving things working as they presently are.

**III) Adjournment**

The Mayor closed the workshop at 6:00pm to allow for a short break before entering into the Special Called Meeting.

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Travis Wimbush, Mayor