CITY OF MOULTON WORK SESSION October 8, 2018 5:00 PM

Present-Mayor Weatherwax
Brent White
Joyce Jeffreys
Jason White
Cassandra Lee
Denise Lovett

The Work session began with Dr. Smith being called upon to explain the need for an SRO officer at the 3 schools located in Moulton and the funding that he had available from a grant for this officer. Dr. Smith stated that a Title 4 grant would provide \$26,000.00 to be used for the salary of an SRO and he believed that that this would be something that would be renewed or increased in the future as sad as it is to say because of the need being so great. There were many questions posed to Dr. Smith by all Council Members just to clarify what position the City would have in the hiring of an officer.

If the City agrees that a part-time SRO would meet the need the grant would cover all of the expenses of the salary and the City would not have to pay any salary to the officer. Brent White pointed out that in the past the City had assisted in SRO officers and that he didn't know why that had not continued. It was discussed that funding through the grants had not been available. Cassandra Lee ask that the Council consider doing this for a time frame of one year and revisit it next year just in case the funding changes. Jason White ask why Dr. Smith came to the City first and Dr. Smith replied that he could have went to the County with the money but wanted to offer the City the first opportunity since the officer would be closely working with the SRO and being a fixture in the schools and at ballgames which the City officers have first choice to work. Denise Lovett spoke on the terms that should the grant money run out then it could be revisited by the Council but Dr. Smith seemed to think funding would probably increase. Lyndon McWhorter expressed that his department would be fine with the position being just a part-time position at this time, Cassandra Lee was concerned if the City spent the projected \$15,000.00 to make the position a full-time that should the City need another officer that would affect the Cities ability to provide the City as a whole with an officer. Following the detailed question and answers provided by Dr. Smith in regards to the position the Council seemed to be in agreement to provide the SRO through the City but will be voted on at next Council Meeting.

Callie Waldrep was present to explain to the Council the additional papers that she wanted to include as a contract for each individual position in the job description of the

trainee/apprentice positions. Cassandra Lee wanted to make sure that it was very clear in doing this that it would be consistent and that there would be no room for favoritism or partiality to anyone as the City is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Ms. Waldrep assured the Council that the paperwork would be presented equally and that she was going to talk with the supervisors about the requirements each one of the positions would specifically need.

Ms. Waldrep also along with Renay Saint the building inspector are continuing to look into the ordinances and making changes where necessary to improve the City's ability to be clear and concise with their efforts to inforce residents to the upkeep of their properties.

| Roger Weatherwax, Mayor | Deroma Pepper, City Clerk |
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| Brent White, Council Member | Cassandra Lee, Council Member |
| Joyce Jeffreys, Council Member | Denise Lovett, Council Member |
| Jason White Council Member | |