

October 16, 2025 5:00 p.m.

The Montezuma Town Council met in Regular Session at the Montezuma Community Center with Norris, Bartlow, Thomas, Clerk Treasurer, Town Marshal/Town Manager and Town Attorney present.

Bartlow made motion to approve and accept the minutes of 09/18/25 and 10/02/25 as presented. Motion seconded by Thomas. All in favor.

Thomas made motion to approve the following claims/warrants as presented:

September 2025 End of Month Claims:	\$ 83,942.11
EOM September 2025 BNY:	\$ 170,205.00
October 16, 2025 Meeting Claims:	\$ 259,292.48
October 16, 2025 Industrial Supply:	\$ 254.48

Motion was seconded by Bartlow. All in favor.

Bartlow made motion to approve Payroll Warrants for 09/25/25, 10/02/25, 10/09/25 & 10/16/25 in the amount of \$ 40,079.62. Motion was seconded by Thomas. All in favor.

Thomas made motion to approve Bank Reconciliations for End of Month September 2025 in the following amounts:

Utility:	\$ 3,619,714.16
Town:	\$ 801,353.83
Payroll:	\$ 4,893.47
Customer Deposit:	\$ 39,980.00
BNY Mellon:	\$ 32,090.13

Motion was seconded by Bartlow. All in favor.

Bartlow made motion to approve one billing adjustment in the amount of (99.75) and one water/sewer adjustment request for Account # 8025.00-Javier Gutierrez/Autumn Maitre as presented and according to ordinance. Motion was seconded by Thomas. All in favor.

Mike Novac was present and informed council that there has been no change in regards to Federal Funding since the last information was presented.

Dustin Whalen of HWC presented Council Members with the following:

Contractor MSI pay request # 7 in the amount of \$ 226,656.11

Bartlow made motion to approve pay request # 7 as presented. Motion seconded by Thomas. All in favor.

Proposed Change Order # 2 in the amount of \$ 11,685.10

(\$ 6,850.00 for Stone on East Side of building instead of top soil/seeding)

(\$ 4,835.10 for adding expansion joints and sealant on inside of building)

Thomas made motion to approve Change Order # 2 as presented. Motion seconded by Bartlow. All in favor.

Town Manager Koch updated council on current projects completed and soon to be completed.

Town Marshal Koch reported the following on the town side:

- 41 – Calls for service since the Covered Bridge Festival started on October 10th
- 0 – Felony Arrests
- 6 – Misdemeanor Arrests/4 – Citations/24 – Warnings

In addition, Koch stated that we are still under a county-wide burn ban and that the windshield on the F-150 had to be replaced.

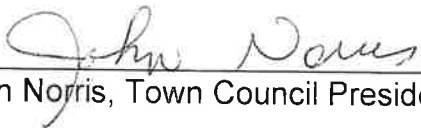
In addition, Koch led discussion on some confusion to the alleyways that run East and West between Washington Street and Jefferson Street/Wilkison and Crawford Street and the alley running North and South behind the Post Office. Town Attorney Craig to check into further to see if any part of those alleys had been vacated.

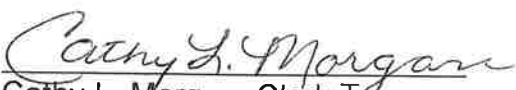
Trick or Treat hours were set for Friday, October 31st, 2025 between the hours of 5:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

Town Attorney Craig spoke with council in regards to being contacted from the company that is in the process of locating a solar farm in Vermillion County near property located by the old Ammunition Plant property. The Town of Montezuma has Utility Easements that were done back in 1939 in that area. The company is wanting to run a transmission line in that area down to a sub-station and need our permission to cross the easements. Attorney Craig stated he wanted to make the council aware of the issue and make sure that it is ok with the council to have more conversation with the company in regards to the matter. Council in agreement for Craig to so.

Nathan Gill owner of 1 West Crawford Street was present to discuss with council some questions he has in regards to a letter he had received about the 2-inch gas meter he has requested to be placed at his place of business. The letter stated that the town does not stock meters of that size and the cost of such a meter is very high. The letter also states the per town ordinance in a situation such as this the customer is expected to pay the material and labor expenses of having the larger meter installed. Once the gas service is initiated, the customer is then entitled to a credit for up to one-half the amount of the monthly gas bill until the cost and expense of the installation has been reimbursed. In this circumstance, ownership of the meter is retained by the Town. Mr. Gill stated he agreed with all of that but has confusion as to why the letter states he would only be re-imbursed for half of the cost. It was explained that he would be re-imbursed for the full amount but only 50% of his monthly gas charge until amount is re-imbursed in full. Mr. Gill understood after the explanation of the letter and has no issue. Mr. Gill informed council and those in attendance that his projected time frame for getting his business opened up is 2 months.

Thomas made motion to adjourn seconded by Bartlow. All in favor.


John Norris, Town Council President

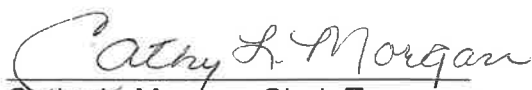

Cathy L. Morgan, Clerk Treasurer
October 23, 2025 6:00 p.m.

The Montezuma Town Council met in Special Session with all members and Clerk Treasurer present.

The 2026 Budget Adoption was held. Bovair made motion to approve and accept Ordinance 2025-10-01 the proposed budget as presented. Motion was seconded by Thomas. Norris, Bovair and Thomas all in favor, Atkinson and Bartlow abstained from the vote.

Atkinson made motion to adjourn seconded by Bovair. All in favor.


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