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Currently working on getting buses removed in the South end of Town
New gun lock installed I F-150

Councilman Thomas expressed concerns about the vehicles at the car lot located at Jefferson/U S 36 being parked out to close to the highway. He stated it poses a traffic hazard. Town Marshal Koch to contact owners.

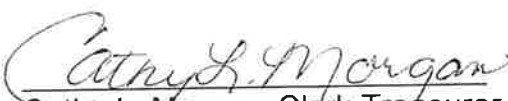
Councilman Bartlow reported 110 runs so far for the year with 9 runs so far for the month of November for the Fire Department.

Council President Norris read aloud a Thank You card received from the Fire Department for the contribution to the Annual Children's Christmas festivities.

Clerk Morgan to set up an Executive Session in accordance with I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1 (b): (9) to be held immediately following the Special Session to be held on Thursday, December 4, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.

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


John Norris, Town Council President


Cathy L. Morgan, Clerk Treasurer

December 4, 2025 5:00 p.m.

The meeting of the Montezuma Town Council is being livestreamed and will be available for viewing @www.youtube.com/@TownofMontezuma. In addition, a copy of the approved minutes from prior meetings will be available on the Montezuma Town Website: www.in.gov/towns/montezuma/

The Montezuma Town Council met in Special Session with all members, Clerk Treasurer, Town Attorney and Town Marshal/Town Manager present.

Bovair made motion to approve one billing adjustment in the amount of \$ 0.00 (Reservation gas meter adjustment from credit account to utility account). Motion was seconded by Atkinson. All in favor.

Thomas made motion to approve and renew the 2026 Anthem renewal at a monthly premium of \$ 11,359.78. Motion seconded by Bartlow. All in favor.

Atkinson made motion to approve and allow for a Sewer Ban withdrawal request from HWC in the amount of \$ 53,050.00 for Invoices 1, 2 & 3. Motion was seconded by Bovair. All in favor.

Diana Bartlow, Park Board President informed members that the Park Board would be working on writing a new 5-year Master Plan as the current will expire the end of 2026.

Cyndi Todd, Partnership Parke County stated that IOCRA had approved the extension for the New Water Improvement Project and the extension is good through 08/31/2026. In addition, Todd stated that the income survey had also been approved and the town would be eligible for funding for the WWTF project.

Town Manager Koch reported the following for the utility side of things:

Tank at Vac Station needs cleaned out and Eco Infrastructure projects the cost to be \$ 3,500-\$ 4,000

Police Station – Furnace

Quotes received from Paulett Heating/Cooling:

95.5 % Efficient Gas Furnace \$ 4 400 00

80 % Efficient Gas Furnace \$ 3,200.00

Much discussion was had with Bartlow making motion to go with the 95.5 % Efficient Gas Furnace at a cost of \$ 4,400.00 with a down payment of \$ 3,950.00 to purchase the equipment and the balance to paid after installation. Motion seconded by Bovair. All in favor.

Councilman Thomas stated that the Christmas holiday decorations looked nice throughout town and that he very much agrees with the higher efficiency furnace purchase stating in time it would pay for the difference in the costs of the two furnaces.

Councilman Bartlow stated they would like to purchase special flags for the 2026 250th Anniversary to be hung throughout town. Bartlow stated the Park Board/Township Flag Funds could be used for the purchase of the flags. Council in agreement and pictures to brought to next meeting for review.

In addition, P. Bartlow reported 127 total runs for the Fire Department through November and 4 runs so far for December.

Councilwoman Atkinson thanked road crew members for the recent snow and ice removal on town roads.

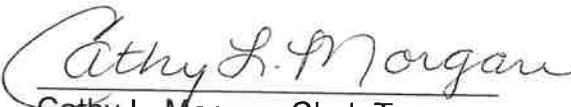
Councilwoman Bovair stated that she feels like there is room at the Community Center to put the trophies and plaques that were recently removed from the Montezuma Elementary School. Shelving would be needed. More info to be gathered.

Town Attorney led discussion on a petition to vacate a portion of a utility right of way on Aztec Drive. The person whom is buying the property where the request is being made plans on being at our December 18, 2025 meeting.

In addition, Craig stated he is preparing paperwork in regards to re-writing the loans from Electric Operating that are being paid back by the Sewer Operating Fund and the Water Operating Fund. He will have at next meeting.

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


John Norris, Town Council President

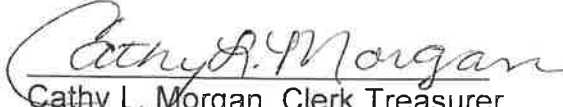

Cathy L. Morgan, Clerk Treasurer

December 4, 2025 5:40 p.m.

The Montezuma Town Council met in Executive Session in accordance with I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1 (b): (9) at the Montezuma Community Center immediately following the Special Session that was held prior. All members, Town Attorney and Town Marshal/Town Manager present.

Bovair made motion to adjourn at 6:40 p.m. Motion seconded by Thomas. All in favor.


John Norris, Town Council President


Cathy L. Morgan, Clerk Treasurer

December 18, 2025 5:00 p.m.

The Montezuma Town Council met in Regular Session at the Montezuma Community Center with all members, Clerk Treasurer, Town Attorney, Town Marshal/Town Manager and Superintendent present.

It was noted that the Town Council meeting was to be livestreamed but there were technical difficulties connecting the laptop to the you tube account. Issue to be resolved before the next meeting to be held on Thursday, January 8, 2026. Meetings can be viewed at www.youtube.com/@TownofMontezuma.

Bartlow made motion to approve and accept the minutes of 11/20/25 and 12/04/25 as presented. Motion seconded by Atkinson. All in favor.

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

November 2025 End of Month Claims:	\$	50,859.54
EOM November BNY:	\$	218,932.00
December 18, 2025 Meeting Claims:	\$	339,762.32

Motion was seconded by Bartlow. All in favor.

Atkinson made motion to approve the Industrial Supply 12/18/25 invoice in the amount of \$ 1,197.12. Motion was seconded by Thomas. All in favor except for Bovair whom abstained from the vote.

Bartlow made motion to approve Payroll Warrants for 11/25/25, 12/04/25, 12/11/25 & 12/18/25 in the amount of \$ 53,028.83. Motion was seconded by Bovair. All in favor.

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

Utility:	\$	3,661,416.41
Town:	\$	771,168.97
Payroll:	\$	2,810.88
Customer Deposit:	\$	40,710.00
BNY Mellon:	\$	43,542.67

Motion was seconded by Thomas. All in favor.

Atkinson made motion to approve and accept Resolution 2025-12-01 as presented. Motion seconded by Bartlow. All in favor.

Bartlow made motion to approve Resolution 2025-12-02 as presented. Motion was seconded by Thomas. All in favor.

Atkinson made motion to approve Resolution 2025-12-03 as presented. Motion was seconded by Bovair. All in favor.

Bovair made motion to approve 2026 Salary Ordinance 2025-12-01 as presented. Motion was seconded by Bartlow. All in favor.

Bartlow made motion to approve the 2026 Meter Reading/Disconnect/Holiday dates as presented. Motion was seconded by Atkinson. All in favor.

Bartlow made motion to allow Clerk Morgan to pay any and all necessary claims with End of Month December 2025 Claims. Motion seconded by Thomas. All in favor.

Bartlow made motion to approve Resolution 2025-12-04 as presented. Motion was seconded by Bovair. All in favor.

Elected Officials signed the Nepotism forms for 2026.

Town Attorney Craig stated he had been contacted from the company that is wanting to run transmission lines through the town utility easements located near the

old Ammunition Plant property for their solar farm and they have offered \$ 2,500.00 for the easement. Issue tabled until the next meeting.

Attorney Craig also led conversation in regards to the street/utility right of way located on Aztec Drive that the proposed buyer of the adjoining property is wanting to move farther North. A Public Hearing on the said petition to vacate will be held at the January 8, 2026 meeting at 5:00 p.m. Advertisement will be in the December 24th, 2025 edition of the Sentinel and the Public Notice will be posted accordingly.

Town Marshal Koch stated that he had been dealing with some issues from property owners located near the new restaurant that has just opened up. The issues involve parking issues.

Representatives from Globe Life were present and gave information about their company which offers supplemental insurance to interested employees and to get permission from the council to speak with employees who are interested. Council in agreement for them to speak with employees.

Dustin Whalen of HWC presented MSI pay application # 8 in the amount of \$ 476,006.57 for approval. Bartlow made motion to approve pay application #8. Motion seconded by Thomas. All in favor.

In addition, Whalen presented proposed Change Order # 3 in the amount of \$ 31,173.00. Atkinson made motion to approve Change Order # 3. Motion seconded by Bovair. All in favor.

Whalen stated that the RO Unit should be delivered the week of January 12, 2026. It is in the process of being inspected.

Diana Bartlow, Park Board President updated council on items discussed at the last Park Board meeting and they are listed below:

Commemorative Flags for our Countries 250th Birthday have been ordered
Christmas Bazaar went well
Metal has been delivered
Resident Surveys have begun on Survey Monkey in preparation of the next Park Master Plan

Town Marshal Koch reported the following on the police side of things:

- 32 – Calls for service
- 1 – Felony Arrest
- 2 – Misdemeanor Arrests
- 4 – Citations
- 5 – Warnings

Town Manager Koch reported the following on the utility side of things:

- Brownstown Electric Transformer Invoice will be paid for by MSI and change ordered to us.
- Tank at the Vac Station has been cleaned out
- New signs installed at the playgrounds in both parks
- GMC will get new tires on 12/19

Re-organizational meeting was set for Thursday, January 8, 2026 at 5:00 p.m.
Atkinson made motion to adjourn seconded by Bovair. All in favor.


John Norris, Town Council President


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