

Councilman Bartlow stated that he had received a complaint in regards to the property located at Water Street/Market Street.

Council President Norris stated that he had tried to obtain more quotes for an Electric Rate Study but had contacted three outfits in Indy and when told how many meters we had he was told that they were not interested. Norris stated that Crone, Jared Hall would do for \$ 5,000.00. Town Attorney Craig stated that it would be a good thing to have a 5-year plan worked into the study.

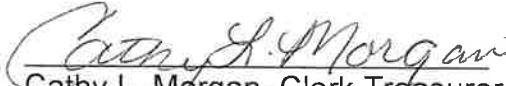
Attorney Craig stated that he had been talking with Ron Regan of UGM in regards to the discount gas program and would be consulting with bond lawyers to make sure that program would not interfere with future bond needs.

Attorney Craig presented the agreement with Oriden for the easement use for \$ 2,500.00 for Council President Norris's signature.

In addition, Craig stated that he is working on the draft for the Floodplain Ordinance changes that need to be made. DNR needs the draft by March 13th for review.

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


John Norris, Town Council President


Cathy L. Morgan, Clerk Treasurer
March 19, 2026 6:00 p.m.

The meeting of the Montezuma Town Council Meeting is being livestreamed and will be available for viewing at www.youtube.com@Town of Montezuma. 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 Regular Session at the Montezuma Community Center with Atkinson, Norris, Thomas, Bartlow, Clerk Treasurer, Town Marshal/Town Manager and Town Attorney present.

Bartlow made motion to approve and accept the minutes of 02/19/26 as presented. Motion seconded by Atkinson. All in favor.

Atkinson made motion to approve the following as presented.

EOM Claims February 2026:	\$ 1,247,100.58
March 19, 2026 Meeting Claims:	\$ 312,361.10

Thomas made motion to approve Payroll Warrants/Claims for 02/26/26, 03/05/26, 03/12/26 and 03/19/26 in the amount of \$ 41,284.33. Motion seconded by Bartlow. All in favor.

Bartlow made motion to approve Bank Reconciliations for End of Month February 2026 as follows:

Utility:	\$ 2,387,253.13
Town:	\$ 805,111.01
Payroll:	\$ 2,816.42
Customer Deposit:	\$ 25,505.00
BNY Mellon:	\$ 40,477.44

Motion was seconded by Atkinson. All in favor.

Thomas made motion to approve 3 Water/Sewer Leak Adjustment requests according to ordinance for:

Account # 10160.03	Dean Gregg
Account # 8246.01	Mike Paulett
Account # 5085.03	William Huffman

Motion was seconded by Bartlow. All in favor.

Atkinson made motion to approve 5 billing adjustments as presented:

(143.70)	Remote water meter correction
116.93	Remote water meter correction
0.00	Gas Meter Credit # 1020.01
(1,566.70)	Previously approved Water/Sewer Adj.
0.00	Sewer credit moved to Electric & Gas

Motion seconded by Thomas. All in favor.

Diana Bartlow, Park Board President stated that the Park Board had approved the 2026 officers and they are as follows:

President	Diana Bartlow
Vice President	Cyndi Todd
Sec/Treasurer	Penny Cox

Atkinson made motion to approve the 2026 Park Board Officers. Motion seconded by Thomas. All in favor.

In addition, D. Bartlow informed members that the dock has been extended and that there would be a meeting on March 29th, 2026 at the Firehouse to discuss placement of the Historic Trail signs.

It was also noted that Cyndi Todd has secured a grant through MIBOR to launch "Live @ the Park". The funding will support the purchase of a mobile stage. The mobile

stage will allow the Park Board to host live music, cultural events, youth performances, and popup activities throughout the year.

Cyndi Todd, Grant Administrator through Partnership Parke County led discussion with council in regards to the proposed OCRA Grant application for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvement Project.

Bruce McElheny, Sewer Operator informed members that so far in compliance and that the Phosphorous Tank would need to be pumped in the near future.

Dirk Garriott and Mike Adams of IMPA were present to discuss a little bit about their company and how it was established and to inform those in attendance of the services that IMPA offers and different programs available through their company. Spreadsheets were presented in regards to their Maintenance Agreement Program. Montezuma has a 30-year contract with IMPA.

Bartlow made motion to approve to renew our Panhandle Small Customer Transportation Agreement # 15616 & Agreement # 11498 with a 3-year renewal term. Motion was seconded by Thomas. All in favor.

Bartlow made motion to approve Pay Application # 11 for MSI Construction in the amount of \$ 689,606.24. Motion was seconded by Atkinson. All in favor.

Town Manager Koch presented information in regards to the IMEA Apprentice Electrical Program. Koch informed them that employee Briar Judy is very interested in the program. Much discussion was had and information reviewed. Bartlow made motion to proceed with the four-year program at a cost of approximately \$ 5,600.00. Motion was seconded by Thomas. All in favor. Koch to get with IMEA to get the program going.

In addition, he informed members that the New Water Treatment Plant will require a static IP address per Tóric. This will be a \$ 10.00 /month charge from Joink. CBC is wanting to place dumpster on Wilkison Street near Cobb building for festival. Council in agreement for Lisa Mundell to place a dumpster on street parking for 2 weeks on Washington Street

In addition, Koch reminded council members that they would need to finalize a paving plan in April for the INDOT application which is due in July.

Town Wide Clean-Up was set for Saturday, April 18, 2026 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. or until dumpsters are full. Big Mac to be contacted for the dumpsters.

Marshal Koch reported the following on the Town side:

- 43 – Calls for Service
- 0 – Felony Arrests
- 1 – Misdemeanor Arrests
- 4 – Citations
- 8 – Warnings

In addition, camper removed from 878 N Madison Street and Ordinance Violations will be coming for nuisance properties as Spring nears.

Councilman Thomas reminded members that the May Yard of the Month selections would need to be made at our April 16th meeting. He also addressed

situations of a trailer in the north end of town and a property owner burning at night. Marshal Koch to look into the matters.

Council President Norris to get with Mike Novac of RCAP to discuss the Rural Development training that is now required of council members for any future funding.

Council in agreement for Mike Gosset, Don's Lawn Care to continue with the 2026 Mowing Season. Fee will be at a cost of \$ 31,750.00.

Bartlow made motion to allow for an Electric Rate Study to be done by Krohn & Associates at a cost of \$ 5,000.00 to \$ 7,000.00. Motion seconded by Atkinson. All in favor.

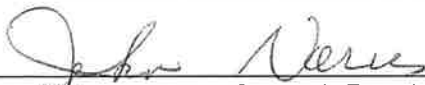
Bartlow made motion to allow for the Montezuma Fish & Game Club to close the street in front from Adams Street to the alley North on May 16, 2026 & July 4th, 2026 during festivities on those days.

Town Attorney Craig led discussion in regards to the DNR Flood Plain Ordinance update. Craig will be sending draft to DNR and then the ordinance would be presented at our April meeting for adoption.

A Special Session to be set for Wednesday, March 25, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. at the Montezuma Community Center in order to have further discussion about the UGM Gas Discount Program. Attorney Craig researching the Resolution further and going to speak with Ron Ragan of UGM to gather more information. The deadline to pass the Resolution is April 1, 2026.

It was noted that an Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Saturday, April 4, 2026 at 4:00 p.m. The event is sponsored by the Community of Montezuma and they have requested the use of Aztec Park for the event. Council in agreement for the event to be held.

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


John Norris, Town Council President


Cathy L. Morgan, Clerk Treasurer

March 25, 2025 5:00 p.m.

The Montezuma Town Council met in Special Session with all members, Clerk Treasurer, Town Attorney, and Town Manager present and Ron Ragan of UGM joined the meeting via teams.

Annie Marshal representing the Boy's Baseball Association spoke with the council about being contacted by Chad Wilson of the Rockville Youth League. He is requesting the use of Montezuma's diamonds for practices and a tournament in June when the fields are available and not in use by the Baseball Association. Ms. Marshal stated she has no problems with it and has talked to the others in the Association and they are OK with it as long as certain stipulations are abided by. After discussion, council members in agreement stating that would bring more people to the community and businesses.

Town Attorney led discussion in regards to Resolution 2026-3-1, a Resolution authorizing the purchase of natural gas from PEFA, Inc: approving the execution and delivery of a gas supply agreement and other documents relating to said purchase; approving the issuance of bonds by PEFA, Inc.; and addressing related matters. Craig discussed how the program would work. Benefits of the program were discussed and terms of the agreement discussed. Mr. Ragan also addressed the council giving an overview of the program and how it is administered. The only downfall to the program would be if the town would lose its biggest customer the load would be lost. Mr. Ragan went on to explain that in that situation Montezuma's load could be sold or moved to another entity. The yearly discount for Montezuma could be approximately \$ 8,000.00 to \$ 10,000.00. After much review, discussion and questions Bartlow made motion to approve and accept Resolution 2026-3-1 as presented. Motion was seconded by Thomas. All in favor.

Bovair made motion to approve the amendment to natural gas management

agreement regarding the purchase of natural gas from PEFA, Inc. to be effective March 25, 2026. Motion seconded by Atkinson. All in favor.

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


John Morris, Town Council President


Cathy L. Morgan, Clerk Treasurer