

**CITY OF WASHINGTON
COURT HOUSE
Finance and Personnel Meeting
March 22, 2023**

The Finance and Personnel Committee met in the second floor conference room of 105 North Main Street on Wednesday, March 22, 2023 at 6:00 pm. Mr. Jim Blair, presided and those in attendance were: Mr. Jim Chrisman, Council Member, Mr. Steve Shiltz, Council Member, Mr. Ted Hawk, Council Member, Mr. Caleb Johnson, Council Member, Ms. Kendra Hernandez, Council Member, Mr. Dale Lynch, Council Chairperson, Mrs. Christina Collins, Finance Director, Mr. Joseph Denen, City Manager, Mr. Mark Pitstick, City Attorney, Judge Pontious and Mr. Shawn Remington, representing Triangle Trail Committee.

1. Honorable Judge Victor Pontious, addressed the Committee and advised the need for a homeless shelter. Judge Pontious noted the cost of a home and McNair Presbyterian Church at the approximate cost of \$150,000.00. The Committee noted the possibility of full or partial donation. The Committee advised that the matter should be further explored.
2. The Committee benefited from a report of the statement of cash for the month ending on February 28, 2023.
3. The Committee benefited from a report on the investments of the City of Washington Court House.
4. Mrs. Collins advised the Committee that reconciliation with Local Government Services was progressing.
5. The Administration advised the Committee regarding the need for a supplemental appropriation for the purchase of the new fire truck as well as the Police retention grant and other matters.
6. The Committee benefited from a report on personnel issues given by Mr. Denen. Mr. Denen advised that the hiring process for the Police Department continued. The Committee noted the need for four officers to be hired.
7. The Administration advised the Committee of the potential purchase of property. The Committee recommended proceeding with the purchase of 7.4 acres of property at the approximate cost of \$150,000.00. The Committee continued and recommended the purchase of 15.5 acres of property at the approximate cost of \$387,500.00.
8. The Administration noted that Dee West had been hired for the Administrative Secretary position at the Fire Department.

9. The Administration noted that Ricky Brown had been hired for the Code Enforcement Position.
10. The Administration noted the upcoming retirement of Martin Rennison from the Fire Department.
11. The Administration noted the open position in the Water Plant.
12. The Committee benefited from a general report on the Golf Course. The Administration noted that an adjustment to the lease would be completed.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mr. Jim Blair, Chairperson, Finance & Personnel
Mr. Joe Denen, Recording Secretary