

**CITY OF WASHINGTON
COURT HOUSE
Finance and Personnel Meeting
September 22, 2021**

The Finance and Personnel Committee met in the City Council Chambers of 105 North Main Street on Wednesday, September 22, 2021 at 6:00 PM. Mr. Dale Lynch, presided and those in attendance were: Mr. Jim Blair, Council Member, Ms. Kendra Hernandez, Council Member, Mr. Caleb Johnson, Council Member, Mr. Jim Chrisman, Council Chairperson, Mr. Tom Riley Finance Director, Mr. Mark Pitstick, City Attorney and Mr. Joseph Denen, City Manager.

1. The Committee benefited from a review of the statement of cash for the month ending in August. Mr. Riley noted strong income tax performance.
2. The Committee benefited from a review of the investments of the City of Washington Court House.
3. The Administration advised the Committee of the bond closure noting the actions would produce \$148,000.00 savings over a ten-year period.
4. The Committee noted that the City of Washington Court House received the Auditor of State Award for 2020.
5. The Committee benefited from a review of personnel issues. The Administration advised the Committee that there would be a zero percent increase in the health care rates for the 2022 year.
6. The Committee benefited from a review regarding human resource services.
7. The Committee discussed the question of Covid Bonuses for employees. The Committee's desire being to provide a \$500.00 bonus to all employees in a manner compatible with the American Rescue Plan.
8. The Committee recommended that the Administration issue eight-hours of annual leave to every employee to honor the 2021 Juneteenth Federal holiday. The Committee noted that Juneteenth will be honored on the actual date of the Federal holiday in 2022.
9. The Committee recommended that legislation be brought to Council to transfer approximately 3.3 acres of property from the City of Washington Court House to the Fayette County Regional Humane Society.
10. The Committee recommended that legislation be brought to Council to replace a 1986 boom truck for the Service Department in the amount not to exceed \$98,000.00. The Committee noted the importance of a boom truck to pull pumps from sewer lift stations.

11. The Committee reviewed zoom style Council meetings. The Committee recommended that Council meetings continue to be held in person in the Council Chambers. However, Council desired that a zoom meeting be developed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mr. Dale Lynch, Chairperson, Finance & Personnel

Mrs. Kelley Ford, Recording Secretary