Crossett city council met in special session October 3, 2018 at 4:00 p.m. at the Crossett Economic Development Foundation.

Present: Mayor Marshall McCormick and CPA Clark Terrell

Council Members: Martin, Foster, Marshall, Knight and Rodgers

Absent: Clerk/Treasurer Walthall, Councilman Rowe

Mayor McCormick called the meeting to order and dispensed with formalities. He introduced Mr. Sam Selig with Entegrity to explain the results of the energy saving proposal.

Mr. Selig reminded the council of the study his agency has been conducting. They found many energy savings to propose. He estimated that converting to LED lighting could generate $21,000 in annual savings. Mr. Selig also recommended replacing 16 HVAC units, adding programmable thermostat controls and installing a solar farm. He added that the solar farm would generate 65% of the proposed energy savings and would contribute around $45,000 in annual energy savings. Other savings will be generated through water savings.

Mr. Selig stated that the total project proposal would cost close to $1,171,074. Annual payments would be roughly $89,000 and expected savings at the end of the 20-year useful life of the project should generate around $164,550 for the city. Annual payments will be secured with franchise taxes from general fund revenues. Mr. Selig explained that if savings don’t materialize, Entegrity will refund the shortfall.

Mayor McCormick and Councilwoman Martin questioned the amount of projected savings compared to expense.

The council discussed the location of the solar farm. The proposed location would be the Crossett Airport. Councilwoman Marshall agreed to discuss the site with Airport Manager Todd Freeman.

Council asked Mr. Selig to prepare a contract for city’s consideration.

With no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned.

Jesse Walthall, Clerk/Treasurer Marshall S. McCormick/Mayor