

**COUNCIL MEETING
(REGULAR)
May 4, 2022**

The Council of the Town of Monon met for a regular meeting on **Wednesday, May 4, 2022**, at 6:00 pm at the Monon Town Hall. Members present were President Rosemary Cooley, Ken Hickman, Ron Benakovich and Toni Onken. Also, present was Clerk-Treasurer Stacy Selagy.

-Kirk Quasebarth was absent.

-President Rosemary Cooley started our regular meeting @ 6:00 pm & led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment-of-silence.

-MINUTES, PAYROLL, BILLS & CLAIMS: Ron Benakovich made a motion to approve the REGULAR meeting minutes from April 20, 2022.

-Ken Hickman seconded the motion. The motion carried.

-Toni Onken made the motion to accept all the bills – claims – payroll as presented.

-Ron Benakovich seconded the motion. The motion carried. \$105,334.26

-MONTH END RECONCILIATION REVIEW / SIGN OFF... President Cooley looked over the Month of April bank reconciliations and she validated them.

VISITORS: ANDY, SANDY BEACH LIGHTING... was present. The gazebo lights were originally going to be a permanent Christmas lighting which were a pebble type light that would illuminate the outside. Now they are going with a café/bistro light that will illuminate the inside and outside of the gazebo. The lights are color changing and can be ran from the town hall and also controlled by an app. There will be a locking cover to prevent tampering. The All Aboard Main Street group is paying for the lights.

ROBERT FARRELL, CITIZEN... was present. Mr. Farrell asked that the owners of 103 N Arch St. be asked to clean up the property. Marshal Young said he would send out a letter to them. Clerk Treasurer Selagy stated that the Area Plan office had contacted her about Mr. Farrell's address this week. Mr. Farrell resides at 103 S Arch and that causes confusion with deliveries because there is only one sign for Arch St. They asked if the town might consider adding a north and south designation to the street signs. The council was in favor of doing so and Superintendent Rodgers will order the signs.

GABRIELLE, COMMONWEALTH ENGINEERING... was present. Gabrielle accompanied Council President Cooley to a White County Commissioner meeting on May 2nd to speak to them about the funds needed for the design and engineering fees for the wastewater treatment plant project. The amount needed was \$863,000, the council has \$200,000 in American Rescue Plan money and the commissioners agreed to give the town the remaining \$663,000 to fund the project.

Toni Onken made the motion to approve the contract with Commonwealth for design and engineering.

Ken Hickman seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The contract was signed.

PROPERTY CLEAN-UPS... Marshal Young has been working on sending out mowing and clean up notices. The property behind Casey's is being cleaned up. Council member Onken asked about the property at 202 N Race St. The windows are broken out and appears to be empty, but the door is sometimes open, Marshal Young said he would follow up. Council member Benakovich asked Marshal Young to look at the property at 814 N Lincoln as it may need a clean up letter.

VANGUARD METER & OTHER WW INFO... No updates at this time. Still waiting for meter to be installed.

TOWNSHIP UPDATED CONTRACTS & QUESTIONS... No updates at this time.

SUPERINTENDENT TONY RODGERS... 1. Tony stated the water has been turned at the park. They have been doing repairs due to vandalism and routine maintenance. Tony got approval from the park board to purchase cameras for the little league and softball diamonds. He has contacted Josh Bowsher for quotes. Kim has been mowing and dragging the fields. The swing for Dick Stimmel has been ordered. 2. Tony looked at Tony Hunnicutt's property and thinks they can extend the drain from Hunnicutt's property to tie into the catch basin. Superintendent Rodgers will meet with a contractor.

TOWN MARSHAL ROGER YOUNG... 1. Roger stated he is going to get a quote from Josh Bowsher for cameras for the town hall and gazebo. The internet system at the town hall needs an upgrade, he has

been having trouble uploading his reports. He will have Josh quote that as well. 2. Roger stated he had a quote to mud the fire station of \$1,300. The contractor had some community service hours that needed to be done so he deducted those hours from the price.

CLERK-TREASURER SELAGY... Stacy stated she has been speaking with different companies about implementing auto pay for the utilities. This would allow citizens to automatically pay their bill each month from their bank account. It would also allow bills to be sent electronically.

ROSEMARY COOLEY... Rosie stated that she would like to see the town hall offices and bathroom remodeled. The building next to the town hall is for sale, would like to look into it and move the town offices there. Ron asked if the tipping fee money could be used for remodeling, Ken stated that we told the county we would use that money for sidewalks. Tony will get a quote from Melton's Construction on remodeling.

-Ron Benakovich made the motion to adjourn the meeting.

-Ken Hickman seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned @ 6:43 pm.

*The next regularly scheduled meeting will be on May 18th, 2022 @ 6:00pm.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT: Rosemary Cooley

COUNCIL VICE PRESIDENT: _____

COUNCIL MEMBER: Ken Hickman

COUNCIL MEMBER: Toni Duke

COUNCIL MEMBER: _____

ATTEST: Stacy Selagy