

**COUNCIL MEETING  
(REGULAR)  
October 5, 2022**

The Council of the Town of Monon met for a regular meeting on **Wednesday, October 5, 2022**, at 6:00 pm at the Monon Town Hall. Members present were President Rosemary Cooley, Vice-President Ron Benakovich, Ken Hickman, and Toni Onken. Also present were Marshal Roger Young, Superintendent Tony Rodgers, and Clerk-Treasurer Stacy Selagy.

Member 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:** Toni Onken made a motion to approve the REGULAR meeting minutes from September 21, 2022.

-Ken Hickman seconded the motion. The motion carried.

-Ken Hickman made the motion to accept all the bills – claims – payroll as presented.

-Toni Onken seconded the motion. The motion carried. \$126,288.52

**-MONTH END RECONCILIATION REVIEW / SIGN OFF...**President Cooley reviewed and signed off on the September bank reconciliations.

**VISITORS:** No one wished to speak.

**PROPERTY CLEAN-UPS...**Marshal Young said he will get a list of large items setting out at the curbs that have not been picked up. The greenhouse has been removed from the back of the Town Hall building.

**VANGUARD METER & OTHER WW INFO...**1. Superintendent Rodgers stated they will read the outflow meter once a month at the same time the water meters are read. President Cooley asked if we had billed Vanguard for the excess outflow above what we billed in water charges. Tony did not get with Attorney Trent about a letter to Vanguard. Rebecca said she would put one together. Once the letter is completed and Tony gets the information to Clerk Selagy, she will send out a bill. 2. Tony is getting the bag system set up at the wastewater plant. Because we have just emptied part of the sludge, we should be able to get by with one bag until the new plant is up and going, at which time, we will have two.

**TRICK OR TREAT DATES/TIMES...**After a brief discussion, Ron Benakovich made a motion to set trick or treat for Monday, October 31<sup>st</sup> from 5pm-7pm. Ken Hickman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**SUPERINTENDENT TONY RODGERS...**1. Tony stated the fluoride pump has been down, he got a new one installed today. The State Inspector has been notified. 2. The softeners are still on manual mode, he has ordered a check valve, but it is on backorder for 3-4 weeks. Peerless will be here to access the situation when the valve comes in and is installed. 3. They had an issue with the filter at the water plant, the floats were tangled up, they removed them, cleaned them and the filter is working now. 4. The sign thanking donors to the splash pad at the park has been corrected to remove Liberty Township. 5. The skid steer is in the shop, there is a problem with the hydraulics and the windshield was broken while loading brush into the truck. The dump truck is back in service. 6. There has been more vandalism at the park, this time to a water fountain and picnic tables. 7. Tony is working on laying grass seed on the gazebo lot. 8. Water pressure dropped on Tuesday due to a pump being left off after maintenance. Tony said it did not drop below 20 psi.

**TOWN MARSHAL ROGER YOUNG...**Roger stated that Jake will start at the academy on Monday, October 10<sup>th</sup>. He will be attending for eight weeks. While Jake is at academy, Bob Hickman will be filling in. President Cooley asked if the Chamber would be doing a ribbon cutting on the new Auto Wares location and the El Salvadorian restaurant. Roger said they will do one for the Auto Wares store, the restaurant did not really want a ribbon cutting but he would talk to them again. Both places are planning on opening in November. Roger stated that he has heard that someone bought the old Reme's restaurant and will be opening it up for coffee and breakfast in the future. There was a brief discussion about residents selling food out of their homes and how this would affect new businesses. Attorney Trent suggested that we might want to have the Health Department come talk to residents about what is required to sell food items. Roger will contact Pat Morehead, White County Food Sanitarian.

**CLERK-TREASURER SELAGY...**1. Stacy stated that the go live date for Invoice Cloud will be February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023. 2. Stacy told the board the last increase to the water rates was in 2020 and they should consider an increase after the first of the year. 3. Stacy asked the board if they had any preference for how to manage rentals of the Civic Center for nonprofit groups that are not located in Monon but have an affiliation with Monon. We do not currently charge nonprofit groups located in Monon a rental fee for the civic center. We have a church from Monticello interested in reserving the building twice a month to continue indefinitely. The church has a large membership of Monon residents. Stacy will charge them one rental fee per month and collect one security deposit to be held until they discontinue use of the building.

**ATTORNEY REBECCA TRENT...**Rebecca did reach out INDOT to see if we could increase the street sweeping contract. INDOT stated they are not doing increases in contracts this year. We will go ahead and bill for the \$1,080.00 contract amount. Tony stated that none of the other communities are interested in sharing the cost of a street sweeper. He would like to get a broom attachment for the front of the bobcat. President Cooley suggested looking into rentals and Jim Davis suggested contacted Mike Kyburz at the White County Highway Garage to see if he had any leads on equipment.

**President Cooley...**Rosie stated that herself, Member Hickman, Clerk Selagy & Attorney Trent will meet with Township Trustee Jacob Garling on October 13<sup>th</sup> to discuss the contract between the town and township.

-Toni Onken made the motion to adjourn the meeting.  
-Ken Hickman seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned @ 6:40 pm.

\*The next meeting will be on Wednesday, October 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT: Rosemary Cooley

COUNCIL VICE PRESIDENT: Ronald Burkell

COUNCIL MEMBER: Ken Hickman

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ATTEST: Stacy Selagy