

**COUNCIL MEETING
(REGULAR)
October 19, 2022**

The Council of the Town of Monon met for a regular meeting on **Wednesday, October 19, 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 & SPECIAL meeting minutes from October 5, 2022.

-Ken Hickman seconded the motion. The motion carried.

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

-Ron Benakovich seconded the motion. The motion carried. \$185,665.43

-MONTH END RECONCILIATION REVIEW / SIGN OFF...None at this time.

VISITORS: ROB, COMMONWEALTH ENGINEERING...Rob stated that they are ready to advertise for equipment proposals. Once proposals are received, he will meet with the scoring committee (Ron Benakovich and Tony Rodgers) to review them. After the committee reviews them and makes their selections, Commonwealth will send them to Rural Development. Rob will also be taking the project back to SRF for them to review to see if they will assist us with financing. Project conference calls will begin on a weekly or biweekly basis, the town will need to decide who they want to be on those calls for status updates. To begin amending the plan to include the Greenwood Subdivision, the council will need to approve the General Service Agreement and Task Order #1.

Ken Hickman made a motion to approve the General Service Agreement with Commonwealth Engineering.

Toni Onken seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Ron Benakovich made a motion to approve Task Order #1 for Greenwood Street sewer expansion.

Ken Hickman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ALICIA HUFFORD, HOWE INSURANCE...Alicia presented insurance renewal rates for 2023 for group health and package insurance. She presented a quote for worker's compensation; the final numbers will not be available until November. Health insurance must be renewed by November 4th. Medical insurance premiums increased 20% and dental premiums increased 3%. Alicia stated there were several contributing factors to the increase including the COVID pandemic, government mandates and claims utilization. She presented several medical plan options with different deductibles for consideration. There was a brief discussion about the plans and costs. The discussion was tabled to the next meeting.

PROPERTY CLEAN-UPS...Marshal Young said the old Hanaway house has brought in a dumpster and will be working on clean up. There is a mattress on the highway that has been there for several weeks, he will contact Waste Management to see if he can get it picked up.

VANGUARD METER & OTHER WW INFO...1. Superintendent Rodgers did not have any new information. Clerk Selagy is going to wait another month before billing Vanguard. The outflow meter readings for the previous months were not taken on the same dates that the water meters were read so a good comparison could not be made between what was billed and what came into the sewer plant. Stacy and Superintendent Rodgers have synced up the reading dates now and an accurate number should be available after meters are read in November.

SUPERINTENDENT TONY RODGERS...Nothing at this time.

TOWN MARSHAL ROGER YOUNG...Roger has been working on OPO and DUITF grants. He is also working with Wolcott to get a grant for AED machines. 2. Roger stated that Robert Hickman, Monticello Safety Officer, needs for the board to approve the paramedic/fire fighters to go on fire calls once they are stationed in Monon. The board asked to see the interlocal agreement between White County and the City of Monticello for the paramedic services. Clerk Selagy will send it out to board members. Tabled until next meeting.

CLERK-TREASURER SELAGY...1. Stacy handed out drafts of the salary ordinance and employee handbook to the board for review. The salary ordinance must be approved before the end of the year. 2. Stacy will be having surgery on Wednesday, November 16th and will not be able to attend that night. The board decided to move the second meeting in November to Tuesday, November 15th. 3. The town has received the \$663,000 that White County committed toward the wastewater treatment plant engineering and design costs. 4. The ADA policy is out of date and needs to be updated. A new ADA Coordinator must be assigned.

Toni Onken made a motion to appoint Rosie Cooley as ADA Coordinator.

Ken Hickman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

5. Jack Reindt and Bill Todd will be leaving the park board on January 1st. Stacy asked if we wanted to advertise those vacancies. There was a brief discussion about who appoints the park board members. The board asked to see the ordinance. Stacy will email it to the council. Tabled to next meeting.

MEMBER TONI ONKEN... Toni asked if the vandalism at the park that Superintendent Rodgers spoke about at the last meeting was caught on camera. Tony stated that they were not able to see who damaged the water fountain but could see the people who moved the picnic table. Member Onken asked when the little league bathrooms were going to be repaired. Marshal Young said they were scheduled to be done on October 29th. Tony stated someone also damaged the bathrooms at the Maple Shelter recently. Young & Sons will do those repairs.

PRESIDENT COOLEY...The town received an invitation to Leslie Goss's retirement party. It will be at 4:00 pm on November 10th at the Tippecanoe Country Club.

-Ron Benakovich made the motion to adjourn the meeting.

-Toni Onken seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned @ 7:03 pm.

*The next meeting will be on Wednesday, November 2nd at 6:00 pm.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT: Rosemary Cooley

COUNCIL VICE PRESIDENT: Ronda Beck

COUNCIL MEMBER: Ken Hickman

COUNCIL MEMBER: Jason Duke

COUNCIL MEMBER: Stacy Selagy

ATTEST: Stacy Selagy