COUNCIL MEETING (REGULAR) September 18, 2023

The Council of the Town of Monon met for a regular meeting on **Wednesday, September 18, 2023**, at the Monon Town Hall. Members present were President Rosemary Cooley, Ken Hickman, Toni Onken and Chris Franklin. Also present were Attorney Rebecca Trent, Marshal Roger Young, and Clerk-Treasurer Stacy Selagy.

Vice President Ron Benakovich and Superintendent Tony Rodgers were absent.

-President Cooley started our regular meeting @ 5:55 pm & led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment-of-silence.

-MINUTES, PAYROLL, BILLS & CLAIMS:

- <u>-Toni Onken made a motion</u> to approve the REGULAR meeting minutes from September 6, 2023. <u>-Chris Franklin seconded the motion.</u> The motion carried.
- -Ken Hickman made a motion to accept the bills claims payroll.
- -Toni Onken seconded the motion. The motion carried. \$137,480.97

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

VISITORS: TERRY SAUNDERS, RESIDENT...Terry stated they were using the trash can the town installed in front of the Mi Pueblito restaurant. She asked Marshal Young if anything could be done about people loitering around her house. As her house is in the business district there's not much that can be done.

DIANE TRIBBETT, RESIDENT...Diane stated there was a water leak at the park just east of the splash pad. It has been there for quite some time and is getting worse. The board will check with Superintendent Rodgers on this.

GABRIELLE, COMMONWEALTH ENGINEERING...Gabrielle stated that five permits have been submitted for approval, two of which have been approved.

UNFINISHED OR DEFERRED BUSINESS...

PROPERTY CLEAN-UPS...Marshal Young is still tagging vehicles.

TOWNSHIP & FIRE DEPT AGREEMENTS...Township Trustee Jacob Garling presented a revised agreement for Fire & EMS services. He will send a copy to Attorney Trent for review. His proposal is an agreement between the town and township only. Jacob says he needs original fire run sheets from 2019 from 911 dispatch, not the Excel spreadsheets that he has been given. Jacob wants the fire department to pay restitution for runs that were charged in error. Clerk Selagy asked if the township would be making any contributions to the town for park and EMT services as they have in the past. Jacob stated that will no longer be done. If the park has a project that they need help funding, they can bring it to Jacob and ask for assistance.

OLD FERTILIZER PLANT...Nothing at this time.

NEXUS HEALTH CONNECT SERVICE...Clerk Selagy stated a representative from Nexus Health Connect Service will be at the October 16th meeting to provide more information to the board members.

TOWN HALL ROOF ESTIMATES... Nothing at this time.

800 ADAMS ST ESTIMATES...Bowsher IT provided a quote to install network/phone drops into the offices, along with four security cameras, and hardware for \$10,049.97. This is needed before staff can move to the new building.

Ken Hickman made a motion to approve the quote from Bowsher IT. Chris Franklin seconded the motion. Motion approved.

TOWN MARSHAL ROGER YOUNG...1. Roger stated he has moved his Deputies into the new building so the building is not sitting vacant. 2. The flock camera is being installed this week.

CLERK-TREASURER SELAGY...1. Stacy stated she had gotten two new computers for her and Tammy. Their current machines will no longer do necessary security updates. She also got a laptop for the utility department so they can pull information from the radio read meters. 2. The budget adoption meeting will be held on Monday, October 2nd at 5:30 pm. 3. Stacy asked when the council wanted to have trick or treat hours. It was decided that Trick or Treat hours will be from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm on Tuesday, October 31st. 4. It has become evident that our system of residents calling Waste Management for large item pick up is not working well. Considering this, we will begin taking large item pick up requests from residents and then Stacy and/or Tammy will email a list to Waste Management weekly. 5. Stacy passed out copies of our current brush/limb pick up policy and asked the board to review it and then we can discuss it at a later meeting.

ATTORNEY REBECCA TRENT...The deed for the new building at 800 N Adams Street has been recorded. Rebecca gave the deed to Clerk Selagy.

MEMBER KEN HICKMAN...Ken gave an update on the Area Plan Commission. There is debate about the number of solar and wind farms going into the county. Ken stated that 5.8% of our farmland is currently being used for renewable energy. In their recent meeting it was also discussed that local fire departments do not know how to put out fires on solar farms.

Ken Hickman made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Chris Franklin seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned @ 6:48 pm.

*The budget adoption meeting will be on Monday, October 2nd at 5:30 pm with the regular meeting to immediately follow at approx. 6:00 pm.

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