**COUNCIL MEETING**

**(REGULAR)**

**June 16, 2021**

The Council of the Town of Monon met for a regular meeting on **Wednesday, June 16, 2021,** at 6:00 pm at the Monon Town Hall. Members present were President Rosemary Cooley, Stacey Selagy, Ron Benakovich, Ken Hickman. Also, present were Marshal Roger Young, and Clerk - Treasurer Tim Brown.

Member Kirk Quasebarth, Tony Rodgers and Attorney Rebecca Trent were 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:** Ken Hickman made a motion to approve the REGULAR MEETING MINUTES from May 19, 2021. Stacy Selagy seconded the motion. The motion carried.

\*VP Selagy said one of the last motions from the June 6th meeting minutes had a typo…it will be fixed.

Ron Benakovich made the motion to accept all the bills – claims – payroll as presented. Stacy Selagy seconded the motion. The motion carried. $154,255.32

**MONTH END RECONCILIATION REVIEW / SIGN OFF… none this time.**

**VISITORS: KIRPC……Edwin Buswell & Jon Borger** came to the meeting and explained State Water Infrastructure Fund Grant program. The Indiana General Assembly has allocated $100 million of Federal funds to help assist with water, storm water and wastewater projects. We are going to try and complete an application before the due date of July 15, 2021.

**COVID-19 Response Grant Program –** Town Hall handed out approximately 16 Grant applications to small businesses in town.

**PROPERTY CLEAN-UPS…** Roger gave an update on the property clean ups and stated that most properties have been cleaned up and vehicles have been towed. The old fertilizer plant on 3rd Street still needs cleaned up. Edwin stated that there are grants we can apply for to help with clean up of the town.

**OLD SUNOCO STATION…FOR SALE?** Nothing New.

**SPLASH PAD INFO…** Not having a tank is a good thing, having the pond is easier to maintain the splash pad. If we had a tank installed, we would need to do multiple checks a day. There is no completion date currently.

**TRASH CONTRACT…SIGNING?** The decision was between Republic and Waste Management. Ron Benakovich made the motion to go with Waste Management. The motion was seconded by Ken Hickman. The motion carried. The next decision was on how much to charge for the trash service, Waste Management quoted $10.29 per household. Ken Hickman made the motion to only charge town people $10.29, the motion was seconded by Stacy Selagy. The motion carried. \*Member Benakovich was a NO vote. He wanted at least $10.50 charge on the utility bills.

**2022 SALARY COST OF LIVING SALARY DISCUSSION & VOTE…** Tim Brown the Clerk-Treasurer gave the council figures for salaries based on a 2%, 3% and a 4% cost of living raise for next year. This increase will be for all fulltime employees and our 5 council members. Ron Benakovich made the motion for the 4% raise increase; the motion was not seconded. Stacy Selagy then made a motion for a 3% cost of living raise; the motion was Seconded by Ken Hickman. The motion carried. Town employees will receive a 3% cost of living raise starting January 1, 2022.

\*Member Benakovich was a NO vote.

**ROGER YOUNG, MARSHAL…** 1.Roger stated that his truck could possibly be done by Friday June 18, 2021. 2.Roger wanted to thank the EMA for the use of their Side by Side for this years Food Fest. Roger stated that next year they would assist with the use of the side by side, radios and a message board for the Food Fest. 3.Roger stated that he has been told by the fire department that he could not have access to the camera system in the fire house.

**CLERK – TREASURER, TIM BROWN…** 1.The Town Attorney reached out to us and stated that she will only be attending 1 meeting per month, unless we felt that she would be needed for both. 2.Stacy had a few questions about the Quiet Titles for the 3 pieces of property the town has for sale. Stacy will get a hold of Attorney Trent. 3.Clerk-Treasurer Tim Brown advised the board he would be out of the office on vacation the week of June 21, 22, 23 & 24.

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**PRESIDENT COOLEY…**  Rosemary told Marshal Young that we were all glad that he was okay after the incident in Wolcott last night he assisted with.

**Jim Davis…** 1.Jim stated that the grant for the gazebo was good, and we were ready to start work on that. We will wait for school to get back in session as the building trades group will be working on this project for us. 2.Jim stated that they are going to try and have the food fest downtown again next year.

Stacy Selagy made the motion to adjourn the meeting.

Ken Hickman seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned @ 7:18 pm.

\*Our next regularly scheduled meeting will be July 7, 2021 @ 6:00pm.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**COUNCIL VICE PRESIDENT:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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