

**COUNCIL MEETING
(REGULAR)
June 2, 2021**

The Council of the Town of Monon met for a regular meeting on **Wednesday, June 2, 2021**, at 6:00 pm at the Monon Town Hall. Members present were President Rosemary Cooley, Kirk Quasebarth, and Ken Hickman. Also, present were Marshal Roger Young, Attorney Rebecca Trent, Superintendent Tony Rodgers, and Clerk - Treasurer Tim Brown.

Member Ron Benakovich and Vice President Stacy Selagy were absent.

President Rosemary Cooley started our regular meeting @ 6:02 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. Kirk Quasebarth seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Kirk Quasebarth made the motion to accept all the bills – claims – payroll as presented. Ken Hickman seconded the motion. The motion carried. \$43,216.64

MONTH END RECONCILIATION REVIEW / SIGN OFF... President Cooley reviewed and validated the general, water and wastewater May 2021 month end statements.

VISITORS: Jon Borgers from Wessler Engineering was present. Jon talked about the in-flow problem especially at Vanguard. Tony has had some problems getting the flow information to download from the Vanguard pump. Jon was looking at the info on his laptop during our meeting to see if he could figure out the problem. He will hopefully get the info figured out by next meeting.

PROPERTY CLEAN-UPS... 1.Roger has started the cleaning of the 4th and Walnut Street property and the property north of the AAA Fire business. 2.Roger is now sending or delivering 40 more property clean letters. 3.Roger and his Deputy have also towed 2 vehicles that have been tagged.

FOODFEST THIS SATURDAY 6-5... Jim Davis stated that the Fest will start at 10:00 am and it will last till 5:00pm. But there will be a band playing from 5 till 7:00pm. *There was a problem with the alcohol (beer / wine garden) permit. We think it is okay now.

EXCESS IN-FLOW PROBLEM... Please see above Jon Borgers info.

OLD SUNOCO STATION...FOR SALE? Attorney Trent will check with the owners of the property to see if they will give us the property in the shape, we want it in. She has contacted them, and they may have an answer at our next meeting.

SPLASH PAD INFO... Tony has a meeting at the park tomorrow at 1:00pm. If everything goes correctly, they may break ground on the project here soon.

TRASH CONTRACT...SIGNING? Rebecca and I have communicated with Waste Management about the damaged they have caused our totes over the years. Maintenance on the broken wheels and broken totes has risen over the last several years. We would like to make them a little responsible for this expense. Once this gets settled, we will sign the contract.

2022 SALARY COST OF LIVING SALARY DISCUSSION & VOTE... The council decided to have Clerk Brown give them some figures on what the increase to our budget numbers would be if we have a 2%, a 3% and a 4% increase. We must have this approved soon for our 2022 budget numbers.

SUPERINTENDENT TONY RODGERS... 1.Tony has hired 3 summertime workers. They are Emilia Valdizon, Steve Hubbard and Eli Quasebarth. 2.President Cooley asked when yard waste and branches will be picked up since the summer workers are here. Tony answered every day... 3.All the CCR reports will be delivered to each Monon home before July 1st. 4.Curb yellow highlight painting has started. 5.Our street sweeper is down. Tony will check with a couple of Monticello street sweeper businesses to see if we can hire them. 6.We will be starting some cold patching of our streets soon. 7.Skeeter spraying will start soon in town. 8.There will be 5 new memory benches in concrete set here soon. 9.Tony will be doing interviews soon for the 3rd full time utility worker. 10.Buschman Fence company will complete the fences here soon at the WW plant and the softball field. They are waiting on parts. 11.We received the...

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wrong meter from the supplier for a WW replacement meter. They will send the correct one soon. 12. We have also received a replacement meter for our water softeners. 13. Tony will have Tribbett Electric repair the lights and the electrical panel at the park pole barn.

ROGER YOUNG, MARSHAL... 1. Roger's new squad truck should hopefully be here in about one and a half months. 2. Roger has purchased an equipment organizer box to fit into the rear of the Explorer squad vehicle.

CLERK – TREASURER, TIM BROWN... 1. There are still about 20 flowers left to be purchased from the summer flowers. They are \$2.00 apiece. 2. The annual street paving will begin in Monon next week. There are 6 streets or part of the street that will be paved this summer. *We will also see how much it will cost them to fill in some of the digging cut areas in the streets. 3. Usually after a holiday the trash will be picked up on a Saturday. Because of the Foodfest being this Saturday, the trash will be picked up on the regular trash day of Friday. 4. The May financial water and WW charts were handed out to the council. 5. With Jim Davis' help, the Foodfest set-up starting Friday afternoon was discussed.

PRESIDENT COOLEY... 1. Rosemary talked about the 3-tax sale lots that we are acquiring. Attorney Trent has finished up the paperwork on the quick deed. It should be ours in a couple of months and we can sell the lots. Rebecca will give us the filing bill from the county when this is complete.

Ken Hickman made the motion that when the lots are officially ours, we will sell the lots.

Kirk Quasebarth seconded the motion. The motion carried.

2. Rosemary then talked about the new fence trouble at the residence at the northwest corner at 5th and Arch Streets. After removing a fence for some sewer work they installed a new fence in a wrong place. Area Plan got involved. And after some discussion, per County Commissioner Jim Davis the commissioners got involved and the situation has been taken care of. 3. Jim Davis then talked about the gazebo that still may be built in our north town hall vacant lot. The project is supposedly a go and maybe starting this fall, and being built by the high school building trade class. JD also gave us a picture of what it should look like.

Kirk Quasebarth made the motion to adjourn the meeting.

Ken Stacy Selagy seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned @ 6:39 pm.

*Our next regularly scheduled meeting will be June 16, 2021 @ 6:00pm.

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