



**CITY OF MONMOUTH  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**



**Date:** Monday, March 6, 2017

**Time:** 7:00 p.m.

**Location:** 100 East Broadway  
Monmouth, Illinois

**I. CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Rod Davies called the meeting to order in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 100 East Broadway at 7:00 p.m. and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**II. ROLL CALL**

City Clerk Susan S. Trevor called the roll and those answering **Present were:** Alderwoman Dawn Johnson, Aldermen Dave Rutledge, Brian Daw, Bob Wells, Dennis Willhardt, Dan Heatherly and Joe Clark **Absent:** Alderwoman Susan Twomey **Also Present:** Mayor Rod Davies, City Administrator Lowell Crow, City Attorney Marcum Spears, City Clerk Susan S. Trevor, MFD Chief Casey Rexroat, MPD Chief Bill Feithen, Director of Building and Zoning Wade Woodward and Gary Conlin from the Press. **Also Absent:** Woodard & Curran Public Works Director Andy Jackson and Community Development Director Paul Schuytema

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**A. February 21, 2017 Council Meeting Minutes**

**It was moved by Alderwoman Johnson and seconded by Alderman Daw to approve the February 21, 2017 minutes as presented. AYE:** Alderwoman Johnson, Aldermen Rutledge, Daw, Wells, Willhardt, Heatherly and Clark **NAY:** none **ABSENT:** Alderwoman Twomey **MOTION CARRIED.**

**IV. PRESENTATION TO THE COUNCIL**

**A. Presentations or Citizen Inquiries** (All inquiries are limited to 3 minutes per City Ordinance)  
There were none to be considered.

**B. Consent Agenda**

**1. Approval of Bills** (Items on Consent Agenda will not be discussed unless a request is made to remove an item for discussion)

**It was moved by Aldermen Heatherly and seconded by Alderman Daw to approve the Consent Agenda as presented for the approval of the bills with that being the only item on the Consent Agenda. AYE:** Aldermen Rutledge, Daw, Wells, Willhardt, Heatherly, Clark and Alderwoman Johnson **NAY:** none **ABSENT:** Alderwoman Twomey **MOTION CARRIED.**

**C. Committee of the Whole Discussion Items – possible action to follow**

**1. MFD February Report – Chief Rexroat**

- There were 95 calls responded to in the month of February
- The department hosted two ISI classes this month.
- Assistant Chief Spears attended two MABAS conferences that focused on Active Shooter Training.
- Two new ice rescue suits were purchased through an IPRF Grant to replace the old suits that were around 15 years old. Four new EMS vests as well as some tourniquets and bandages were also purchased through the IPRF Grant.

## **2. MPD February Report – Chief Feithen**

- It has been a good year up to this point with lower crime rates.
- FOP held a food drive for Jamieson Center.
- The department is also issuing a weather alert this evening for the forecasted snow storm.

## **3. Building and Zoning February Report – Director Woodward**

- ✓ 14 building permits were issued in February.
- ✓ The installation of the solar collectors on the Standard of Beaverdale building was completed this last week.
- ✓ Nationally, CarQuest bought out Advanced Auto Parts this past week.
- ✓ The Junk and Debris was a little high this month, but it could be due to the early warmer weather.
- ✓ Snyder Autobody at 705 S. Fifth took out a permit to allow them to move their paint blasting inside the building rather doing it outside.

## **4. Approval of Cemetery Lawn Mower Purchase**

Mayor Davies reviewed the information that Director Jackson had explained to the Council at the meeting on February 21<sup>st</sup> about the lawn mowers to be leased to purchase from our local John Deere dealer, Martin Sullivan, Inc., which provided for the City to be on a three year rotation for 4 mowers and a zero turn mower. Financing has been arranged through Midwest Bank of Western Illinois. The Lease to Purchase price will save the City money according to Administrator Crow. **It was moved by Alderman Wells and seconded by Alderman Daw to approve the Lease/Purchase agreement with Martin Sullivan, Inc. for a total of \$19,912.58 for a three year term. AYE:** Aldermen Daw, Wells, Willhardt, Heatherly, Clark, Alderwoman Johnson and Alderman Rutledge **NAY:** none **ABSENT:** Alderwoman Twomey **MOTION CARRIED.**

## **5. Approval of Engineering Agreement for North Wastewater Plant**

Woodard & Curran Engineer Jennifer Anders explained that this is an agreement for engineering services by Woodard & Curran for the previously discussed upgrades to the North Wastewater Treatment Plant. Mayor Davies reminded the Council that the first study done on the North Plant indicated that it was imperative to replace the aging and failing 60's and 70's equipment. The sole user of the North Plant will be responsible for covering the cost of the replacement equipment and the City is presently negotiating with them regarding the terms of an agreement. **It was moved by Alderman Heatherly and seconded by Alderwoman Johnson to approve the Engineering Agreement with Woodard & Curran for the engineering services overseeing the upgrades to the North Wastewater Treatment Plant. AYE:** Aldermen Daw, Wells, Willhardt, Heatherly, Clark, Alderwoman Johnson and Alderman Rutledge **NAY:** none **ABSENT:** Alderwoman Twomey **MOTION CARRIED.**

## **V. OTHER BUSINESS**

### **A. Administrator Crow Updates**

#### **1. Merit Badge Academy**

There will be around 400 Boy Scouts in the City for the Merit Badge Academy to be held at Monmouth College this coming weekend and I will be conducting a citizenship class here at City Hall on Saturday morning.

#### **2. Backpack Benefit Fundraiser**

The Backpack Benefit Fundraiser will be this coming weekend on March 18<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the VFW.

## **VI. ADJOURNMENT**

**It was moved by Alderman Heatherly and seconded by Alderwoman Johnson to adjourn the meeting at 7:15p.m. MOTION CARRIED by unanimous voice vote with the exception of Alderwoman Twomey, who was absent.**

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**Mayor Rod Davies**

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**City Clerk Susan S. Trevor**