



CITY OF MONMOUTH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Date: Monday, December 20, 2021

Time: 6:00 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 6:00 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:** Aldermen Justin Thomas, Tony Cook, Alderwoman Susan Twomey, Aldermen Brian Daw, Juan Pinedo and Alderwoman Mary Kelly **Absent:** Aldermen Jim Conard and John VanVleet **Also Present:** Mayor Rod Davies, City Clerk Susan S. Trevor, City Administrator Lew Steinbrecher, City Attorney Marcum Spears, Building and Zoning Director Joe Clark, Communications Director Ken Helms, MFD Chief Casey Rexroat, MPD Chief Joe Switzer and Woodard & Curran Public Works Director Andy Jackson **Members of the Press:** Jane Carlson, Register Mail

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Approval of December 6, 2021 Council Meeting Minutes

It was moved by Alderwoman Daw and seconded by Alderwoman Twomey to approve the December 6, 2021 Council Meeting Minutes as presented. AYE: Alderwoman Twomey, Aldermen Daw, Pinedo and Alderwoman Kelly **NAY:** none **PASS:** Aldermen Thomas and Cook **ABSENT:** Aldermen Conard and VanVleet **MOTION CARRIED.**

IV. PRESENTATION TO THE COUNCIL

A. Presentations or Citizen Inquiries

City Clerk Trevor called to the Council's attention the beautiful Christmas decorations in City Hall and the Council Chambers that were put up by Administrative Assistants Annette St. Ledger and Danielle Cox.

B. Consent Agenda

1. Approval of Bills

It was moved by Alderman Daw and seconded by Alderman Pinedo to approve the bills as presented. AYE: Alderwoman Twomey, Aldermen Daw, Pinedo, Alderwoman Kelly, Aldermen Thomas and Cook **NAY:** none **ABSENT:** Aldermen Conard and VanVleet **MOTION CARRIED.**

V. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

A. MFD November Report – Chief Rexroat

- 🔥 There was a residential fire about a week and a half ago. The department was able to quickly knock it down without extensive damage inside or to neighboring structures.
- 🔥 Ameren conducted training for the department on how to deal with electrical fires.
- 🔥 A walk through was held through Smithfield and Cold Storage to familiarize firefighters with the layout of the buildings before having to respond to emergencies or fires at these facilities.
- 🔥 Firefighter Gary Carson attended a class held in Quincy, IL. for two weekends.
- 🔥 Emergency lights were installed in Station 2.

- 🔥 The new extrication equipment has been received, which now gives the department two sets of extrication equipment with the old set used for a back-up.

B. MPD November Report – Chief Switzer

- There were 873 Calls for Service and 1,784 Dispatch Calls in November.
- An Active shooter drill was held at M-R Junior High
- Active shooter training was held at Central Intermediate School and United West.
- As Chief, I met with a WIU student who will start as an intern in January of 2022.
- The MELC Turkey Trot and the WIAR 5K events were held without incident.
- Officer Marlon Williams tore his Achilles heel during an incident and had surgery to repair it. His time off to heal from his surgery has not been determined.
- All officers completed their firearms qualifications in November.

C. Offer to Purchase City Owned Property – 700 South 2nd Street

It was moved by Alderwoman Kelly and seconded by Alderman Cook to approve the offer of \$3,200 by Jim Cokel to purchase the City owned property located at 700 South 2nd Street as presented. AYE: Alderwoman Twomey, Aldermen Daw, Pinedo, Alderwoman Kelly, Aldermen Thomas and Cook **NAY:** none **ABSENT:** Aldermen Conard and VanVleet **MOTION CARRIED.**

VI. ORDINANCES

A. 1ST Reading

1. 21-031, Adult Use Cannabis

Administrator Steinbrecher stated that basically this ordinance restricts the location of any cannabis retail store to only being in M-1 or M-2 zoning districts and thus keeps any store out of the downtown area.

2. 21-033, Adding Adult Use Cannabis Retailers Tax

Administrator Steinbrecher further explained that this ordinance would add Section 37.10 to the City's Municipal Code Imposing a Municipal Cannabis Retailers. The tax would be a 3% tax, which would generate around \$135,000 revenue according to the estimate from the business that is seeking to locate a cannabis retail store in Monmouth.

The Administration is recommending approval of both Ordinance 21-031 and Ordinance 21-033 as presented. **It was moved by Alderman Thomas and seconded by Alderman Cook to approve Ordinances 21-031 and 21-033 as presented. AYE:** Aldermen Daw, Pinedo, Alderwoman Kelly, Aldermen Thomas, Cook and Alderwoman Twomey **NAY:** none **ABSENT:** Aldermen Conard and VanVleet **MOTION CARRIED.**

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

There was none to consider.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Alderman Daw and seconded by Alderman Conard to adjourn the December 20, 2021 meeting at 6:10 p.m. MOTION CARRIED by unanimous voice vote with the exception of Aldermen Conard and VanVleet, who were absent.

Mayor Rod Davies

City Clerk Susan S. Trevor

