



**CITY OF MONMOUTH
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

Date: Monday, January 3, 2022

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 (remotely), Aldermen Brian Daw, Juan Pinedo and Alderwoman Mary Kelly **Absent:** Alderman John VanVleet **Also Present:** Mayor Rod Davies, City Clerk Susan S. Trevor, City Administrator Lew Steinbrecher, 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 **Also Absent:** City Attorney Marcum Spears

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Approval of December 20, 2021 Council Meeting Minutes

It was moved by Alderman Cook and seconded by Alderwoman Kelly to approve the December 20, 2021 Council Meeting Minutes as presented. AYE: Aldermen Thomas, Cook, Alderwoman Twomey (remotely), Aldermen Daw, Pinedo and Alderwoman Kelly **NAY:** none **PASS:** Alderman Conard **ABSENT:** Alderman VanVleet **MOTION CARRIED.**

IV. PRESENTATION TO THE COUNCIL

A. Presentations or Citizen Inquiries

Randy Seals of 602 N. 11th Street, asked if anything had been done to address his concerns about the speeding on N. 11th in front of his house. Chief Switzer replied that the department have increased officer presence in this area and have issued two speeding tickets already. The snow has slowed traffic as well. Mayor Davies said that the City will continue to monitor the situation.

B. Consent Agenda

1. Approval of Bills

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

V. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

A. Building and Zoning December 2021 Report – Director Clark

- ✓ The Department continues to issue building permits, junk and debris notices and has sent several unsafe structure notices.
- ✓ Four unsafe houses were demolished through the Strong Communities Grant. There are several more houses on the list and have been submitted for approval to utilize the remaining funds that the City was awarded through the Strong Communities Grant program.
- ✓ **Open Projects:** First United Methodist Church, OSF Holy Family Emergency Department Addition, Maple City Warehouse, Monmouth Park District Office Building, Monmouth Townhomes, Airport Hangars, and Lakeshore Recycling remodeling of the old Alexander Lumber Company to be used for their local offices and storage of equipment.
- ✓ **Completed Projects:** Fareway's Scooters Coffee Kiosk
- ✓ **TIF Projects:** LMP Insurance and Flowers-Are-Us are complete. Robbins Resource Management deck and fire escape project is near completion.

B. Woodard and Curran November 2021 Report – Director Jackson

- The City received word last Friday that the application for a \$665,000 grant from DCEO has been approved. A formal agreement should be forthcoming soon. This money is earmarked to complete the water main pipe and road reconstruction on East Euclid from North 6th Street to North 9th Street. This project will need to be designed; therefore, there will be an Engineering Agreement with Woodard and Curran to be presented at the next Council meeting on January 18th. Mayor Davies also asked Director Jackson to comment on the additional \$200,000 Grant application that the City has submitted to DCEO in order to complete the North 6th Street project, which has water main and road construction work that needs to be addressed. It might be necessary to access funds from the Capital Improvement Fund in order to complete this project.
- The City is still waiting word on the CDBG grant for the West Harlem Project and should receive notification of acceptance or rejection by sometime in June.
- The Administration has received a contract on Residential Waste Collection and Recycling from Lakeshore Recycling. It will be presented to the Council for consideration and approval at the January 18th meeting.

VI. ORDINANCES

A. 1ST Reading

1. 22-001, Zoning Change from B-1 to P-S – 213 South Main Street

Zoning Director Clark explained that the Plan Commission met on December 27th of 2021 to consider changing the zoning from B-1 (Downtown Commercial) to P-S (Public and Semi-Public Service) for the use of a Teen Center to be located at 213 South Main Street. The vote to recommend approval for the change of zoning was unanimous. **It was moved by Alderman Daw and seconded by Alderwoman Twomey (remotely) to accept the Plan Commission's recommendation to approve the change of zoning from B-1 to P-S for 213 South Main Street and approve Ordinance 22-001 as presented. AYE:** Alderwoman Twomey (remotely), Aldermen Daw, Conard, Pinedo, Alderwoman Kelly, Aldermen Thomas and Cook **NAY:** none **ABSENT:** Alderman VanVleet **MOTION CARRIED.**

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

There was none to consider.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Alderman Daw and seconded by Alderwoman Twomey (remotely) to adjourn the January 3, 2022 meeting at 6:12 p.m. MOTION CARRIED by unanimous voice vote with the exception of Alderman VanVleet, who was absent.

Mayor Rod Davies

City Clerk Susan S. Trevor