



**CITY OF MONMOUTH  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**Date:** Monday April 18, 2022

**Time:** 6:00 p.m.

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

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

Alderman Daw 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, Brian Daw, Jim Conard, Juan Pinedo, Alderwoman Mary Kelly and Alderman John VanVleet **Absent:** Alderwoman Susan Twomey **Also Present:** City Clerk Susan S. Trevor, 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 **Also Absent:** Mayor Rod Davies and City Administrator Lew Steinbrecher

**III. APPROVAL OF MAYOR PRO-TEM**

**It was moved by Alderwoman Kelly and seconded by Alderman Tony Cook to approve Alderman Brian Daw to serve as Mayor Pro-Tem in the absence of Mayor Davies. MOTION CARRIED by unanimous voice vote with the exception of Alderwoman Twomey, who was absent.**

**IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**A. Approval of April 4, 2022 Public Hearing and Council Meeting Minutes**

**It was moved by Alderman Conard and seconded by Alderman VanVleet to approve the April 4, 2022 Council Meeting Minutes as presented. AYE:** Aldermen Cook, Daw, Conard, Alderwoman Kelly and Alderman VanVleet **NAY:** none **PASS:** Aldermen Thomas and Pinedo **ABSENT:** Alderwoman Twomey **MOTION CARRIED.**

**V. PRESENTATION TO THE COUNCIL**

**A. Presentations or Citizen Inquiries**

Mayor Pro-Tem Daw read and presented to Amanda Bainter-Hall from WIRC a Proclamation recognizing the month of April as Child Abuse Prevention Month.

**B. Consent Agenda**

**1. Approval of Bills**

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

## VI. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

### A. MFD March Report – Chief Rexroat

- 🔥 The department responded to 117 calls in March.
- 🔥 Captains Cozadd and Peeler attended two weeks of training in Peoria for their Advanced Fire Officer Training certification.
- 🔥 Non-emergency activities involved the Boy Scouts coming out to the North Station as part of their Merit Badge University and fire drills at Oak Terrace. The firefighters are also trying to get out to the schools more. They have started arriving at the beginning of the school day at different schools and encouraging the students to have a good day. It has gone over well with the students.
- 🔥 The new bay doors that were installed at Station 2 are working well.
- 🔥 The department received a \$3,750 donation from Tiffany Cole Country Financial for purchasing tools and equipment.
- 🔥 Paul Mangieri completed his training at the Fire Academy in Champaign last Friday. He will have two more weeks of extra training and then will be ready to be placed on a shift for the department.
- 🔥 The department is again partnering with the Red Cross to host a single day event to go door to door offering to install smoke detectors for free.

### B. MPD March Report – Chief Switzer

- The department made 77 criminal arrests, issued 114 City Ordinance tickets and had 2,074 dispatch calls in the month of March.
- Investigator Kramer taught a class on investigations to approximately 16 Boy Scouts to enable them to earn their investigation badges as part of the Merit Badge University.
- MPD investigated the illegal manufacture of cannabis vape cartridges as well as discovering numerous drug paraphernalia and \$1,500 in cash.
- An Active Shooter drill was conducted at the United Junior High for the staff.
- As Chief, I attended the Auxiliary Police meeting.
- The department also wants to thank Midwest Pet Food for supplying dog food for the dog pound.

## VII. ORDINANCES

### A. 1<sup>st</sup> Reading

#### 1. 22-012, Granting a Setback Variance, 1125 N. Main

Zoning Director Clark explained that the Zoning Board of Appeals met on Wednesday, April 13<sup>th</sup> to consider a front setback variance for the Tin Cup, 1023 N. Main Street and unanimously recommended approval of this setback variance to the Council. **It was moved by Alderman Conard and seconded by Alderman Cook to accept the recommendation of the ZBA to grant a front setback variance for 1023 N. Main Street. AYE:** Aldermen Daw, Conard, Pinedo, Alderwoman Kelly, Aldermen VanVleet, Thomas and Cook **NAY:** none **ABSENT:** Alderwoman Twomey **MOTION CARRIED.**

#### 2. 22-013, Granting a Height Variance, 402 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue

Zoning Director Clark explained that the Zoning Board of Appeals also considered this height variance at its April 13<sup>th</sup> meeting and again unanimously recommended approval of this variance for constructing a 6-foot vinyl privacy fence instead of a 4-foot fence to the Council. **It was moved by Alderman Cook and seconded by Alderwoman Kelly to accept the recommendation of the ZBA to grant a height variance for 402 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue. AYE:** Aldermen Conard, Pinedo, Alderwoman Kelly, Aldermen VanVleet, Thomas, Cook and Daw **NAY:** none **ABSENT:** Alderwoman Twomey **MOTION CARRIED.**

**B. 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading**

**1. 22-011, Adoption of FY 2022-2023 Budget**

**It was moved by Alderman Pinedo and seconded by Alderman VanVleet to approve adoption of the FY 2022-2023 Budget as presented. AYE:** Alderman Pinedo, Alderwoman Kelly, Aldermen VanVleet, Thomas, Cook, Daw and Conard **NAY:** none **ABSENT:** Alderwoman Twomey

**VIII. OTHER BUSINESS**

There was none to consider

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

**It was moved by Alderman Cook and seconded by Alderman VanVleet to adjourn the April 18, 2022 meeting at 6:25 p.m. MOTION CARRIED by unanimous voice vote with the exception of Alderwoman Twomey, who was absent.**

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**Mayor Pro-Tem Brian Daw**

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**City Clerk Susan S. Trevor**