

## COUNCIL MEETING

MARCH 1, 2016

The Council of the Town of Monon met for a regular meeting on Tuesday, March 1, 2016 at 5:30 pm at the Monon Town Hall. Members present were Kirk Quasebarth, Stacy Selagy, Ken Hickman and Vice President Dave Stimmel. Also present were Council President Rosemary Cooley, Clerk Tim Brown, Superintendent Tony Rodgers, Attorney Dow Dellinger and Marshal Roger Young.

There was no one absent.

President Rosemary Cooley @ 5:32 pm led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence.

\*President Cooley inquired why the agenda for this evening had a REVISION listed on it? Clerk Brown explained that the revision was just for the Agenda...there were a couple of items added after the agenda was originally sent out.

### **MINUTES, PAYROLL, BILLS & CLAIMS:**

Dave Stimmel made the motion to accept the minutes of the regular meeting on February 16, 2016.

Ken Hickman seconded the motion for the minutes. The motion carried.

Stacy Selagy made the motion to accept the bills – claims – payroll as presented.

\*VP Stimmel asked if all of the Kyburz Construction bills were in on the 4<sup>th</sup> Street broken water line repair job? The answer is yes...

Kirk Quasebarth seconded the motion.

Motion carried. Claims totaled \$ 76,692.03

**VISITORS: -Jacob Garling, resident.** We had more discussion on getting rid of the lien on his Highway 16 West property. After much debate we all agreed that this was not a smooth process because of the filing of paperwork and it's timing.

Dave Stimmel made the motion to completely remove the lien from Jacob's property.

Kirk Quasebarth seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**IDEM WASTEWATER & WW STUDY GRANT.** We will have the bid meeting for the 2 engineering firms on Wednesday March 3, 2016 at 1:00 pm in our Conference Room. \*This was postponed in February because of the weather. Edwin from KIRPC will put a notice in the newspaper about our PUBLIC HEARING for the project to be held at the start of the March 15th meeting. For this project we have to pass an updated CIVIL RIGHTS Ordinance for the town.

Dave Stimmel made the motion to approve #01-2016, updated CIVIL RIGHTS Ordinance.

Ken Hickman seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**VANGUARD DE-ANNEXATION...** President Cooley and VP Stimmel met with Mr. Mudd at Vanguard last week. Rosemary said that is was a nice visit. Mr. Mudd should be sending in another letter soon with a proposal.

**FUTURE WATER / WASTEWATER FINANCES...** Clerk Brown presented the month end figures for February. Instead of an increase of \$6000.00 expenses for the month there was actually a \$11,000.00 increase. We will update these figures again at the end of March. \*Member Quasebarth suggested that on our Town of Monon website we try to update all of our citizens on the improvements with the water and sewer system. We will do that...

**2016 BLIZZARD, QUESTIONS & ANSWERS...** President Cooley commented that the street plowing was done pretty well. Superintendent Rodgers stated that there was plenty of problems with the heavy wet snow and the inexperience with the 2 recent hires. One of the plow trucks had some maintenance issues. Member Quasebarth stated that before next snow plowing season Tony get together with the boys and set up a plan and schedule for next year's plowing routes.

**SIDEWALK SNOW BLOWER PERSON...** During last week's blizzard our regular sidewalk person had trouble with his equipment. The downtown sidewalks were pretty well blown shut. Then we noticed a person running a walk-behind snow blower clearing out a path on the sidewalks. We did not know who he was...but then we found out.

\*We would like to thank him publicly...his name is Mr. Troyer and thank you for what you did!

**SOUTH WATER TOWER WORK COMING...** the Utility Service Group got in touch with us and said that painting and repairs will start by the end of this April. We all agreed that maybe we should change the color and also the smiley face logo. We are thinking about the town's Arrowhead logo instead. I will get in touch with the company about these changes.

**MATERIALITY RESOLUTION...** Attorney Dellinger presented a copy of the State Mandated resolution. It basically states how far we will allow our accounts to be off after the end of the month's balancing. We balance to the penny so this is not a big deal to us...but we still have to adopt it. Stacy Selagy made the motion to adopt Resolution #2016-02, **MATERIALITY VARIANCES**. Ken Hickman seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**-Superintendent Tony Rodgers...** 1.Tony said that the blizzard snow kept them very busy last week and the boys got stuck a few times...experience will solve that issue. 2.Tony presented new log sheets that will be used on every piece of equipment. 3.Tony has started training, especially Zac with what needs to be done daily at the wastewater and water plants. 4.Tony found out from Xtreme Contractors in Reynolds will take the brush pile concrete pieces for \$50. a truck load. 5.Tony said the new Bobcat worked quite well in the blizzard...especially helping to remove the snow mountains. We also installed an interior back-up mirror...no charge from the Bobcat place. 6.Soon the boys will be filling up with stone some of the latest water line break areas. 7.The F350 truck bed will be welded soon after the salt spreader is removed. 8.Tony will be researching the Quasebarth property water retention problem on their Highway 16 residence. 9.Tony will be at a conference for most of the March 15<sup>th</sup> week and then he will be on vacation all of the march 21<sup>st</sup> week.

**Marshal Roger Young...** 1.Roger stated that we should be receiving soon the bill for their vehicle software upgrades. 2.Tomorrow our officers will be in mandated training at the Monticello Airport and also Twin Lakes High School. 3.Our Explorer vehicle's front end pieces were slightly damaged in the blizzard. The total dollar damage should not cost over our deductible. 4.The girl's softball fake brick work for the dugout sides has been ordered and should be in soon and then can be installed. 5.Finally there will be a Park Board meeting at Town Hall on Monday, 3-7 at 6:00 pm.

**-Attorney Dow Dellinger...** Dow submitted the ordinance and the resolution at this meeting.

**-Clerk Tim Brown...** 1.There will be a 2016 Food Fest committee meeting after this Council meeting. 2.I will be on vacation the week of March 21<sup>st</sup>. 3.Jeff Rowe from Umbaugh Accountants will be at our April 5<sup>th</sup> meeting. He may have a way for us to reduce our Wastewater Bond payments. 4.Finally Tim reported that Fire Chief Hahn just got out of the hospital. He will be recovering at home for the near future.

**-Member Kirk Quasebarth...** just wanted to mention that the North White basketball team will be playing in the first game of the Sectional tournament this evening. Finally Kirk stated that there are 2 new academy graduate county police officers living in Monon.

**-Member Stacy Selagy...** said that after the March 7<sup>th</sup> County Economic meeting at the Civic Center, there will be a state official here to meet with members of the Theater Group. He may have some financing ideas for the group to use.

\*Mr Mudd from Vanguard just wanted to thank our 2 EMT girls on the fine job they did with a medical issue with an individual in their plant a week or so ago. GREAT JOB GIRLS...

Ken Hickman made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Stacy Selagy seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 6:16 pm.

\*Our next regular meeting will be on Tuesday, March 15, 2016 at 5:30 pm in Town Hall.

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