

JULY 11, 2023

TUESDAY

**PUBLIC HEARING
TO DISCUSS DEPARTMENTAL
NEEDS FOR 2024 BUDGET**

@ 5:00 pm

Town Hall Conference Room

The Council of the Town of Monon met for a public hearing on Wednesday, April 19, at 5:30 pm at the Monon Town Hall. Members present were President Rosemary Cooley, Vice-President Ron Benakovich, Ken Hickman, Toni Onken, and Chris Franklin. Also, present were Marshal Roger Young, Superintendent Tony Rodgers, and Clerk - Treasurer Stacy Selagy.

-President Rosemary Cooley started the public hearing @ 5:00 pm.

Bob Hickman.. – Bob provided information to the council regarding his background and areas of expertise and believes that he could of benefit to the town as an administrator. Bob is a law enforcement officer, but he also wears many other hats, including being able to help with EMS coverage, OSHA, worker's compensation, annual trainings and written programs and procedures. The board will take Bob's proposal under consideration.

Monon Fire Dept, Sean Garrett and Kyle Tiede..Sean stated that at this time they do not have any large projects planned for next year. They have asked that Clerk Selagy make any adjustments that she feels necessary to the 2024 budget. The question was raised about what the Fire Dept. considers an active member. The guidelines seem to be that if they attend one meeting or go on one run per year, they would be considered an active member.

Monon Police Dept, Roger Young...Roger would like to increase his tire line item to \$1,800 and his fuel budget to \$14,000. He also wants to budget for his annual police manuals updates, this runs around \$3,000 for the year.

MVH, Tony Rodgers...Tony said they have an immediate need for a dump truck. He has priced used ones for around \$70,000. There is still \$17,000 left in the 2023 budget for machinery and equipment. Discussion about what can be done with those funds yet this year, possibly accessories for the skid steer. Also discussed using EDIT money to fund equipment purchases.

Park...Clerk Selagy reported for Charrisse Hook, Park Board President. Some of the projects the board is looking at for next year include making the parking area for the log cabin bigger, purchasing playground equipment, and a pickleball court.

EMS...There was a discussion about the EMS runs for this year. They are down considerably this year, we believe due to the new 24-hour staffing at the fire station.

Clerk Treasurer Selagy...Stacy stated she needs to replace her and Tammy's computer. Both are too old to perform routine software updates. Bowsher IT quoted \$3,000 for both and to install software. The new building will also bring increased costs in utility costs. The parking lot will have to be addressed and the front entrance needs to be made handicap accessible.

-Toni Onken made the motion to adjourn the meeting.

-Ken Hickman seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned @ 7:15 pm.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT: Rosemary Cooley

COUNCIL VICE PRESIDENT: Ronald Bell

COUNCIL MEMBER: Loni Cook

COUNCIL MEMBER: Ken Johnson

COUNCIL MEMBER: [Signature]

ATTEST: Stacy Lopez