



CITY OF MONMOUTH
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Date: Tuesday, February 20, 2024 **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 Jay Grant, Brad Bone, Alderwoman Susan Twomey, Aldermen Brian Daw, Jim Conard, Juan Pinedo, Kevin Ferry **Absent:** Alderman VanVleet **Also Present:** Mayor Rod Davies, City Clerk Susan S. Trevor, City Attorney Marcum Spears, Building and Zoning Director Joe Clark, Andy Jackson, Woodard and Curran Public Works Director, Communications Director Ken Helms, MFD Chief Casey Rexroat, MPD Chief Joe Switzer

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Approval of February 20, 2024 Council Meeting Minutes

It was moved by Alderman Grant and seconded by Alderman Pinedo to approve the February 20, 2024 Council Meeting Minutes as presented. AYE: Aldermen Grant, Bone, Alderwoman Twomey Aldermen Daw, Conard and Pinedo **NAY:** none **PASS:** Alderman Ferry **ABSENT:** Alderman VanVleet **MOTION CARRIED.**

IV. PRESENTATION TO THE COUNCIL

A. Presentations or Citizen Inquiries

Cassandra Nolasco, a Sophomore at Monmouth College presented a petition on behalf of the students and staff who cross East Broadway at the South 8th Street crossing. She said that it is a dangerous crossing with drivers not slowing down to allow students time to cross the street. Currently there are four residence halls on East Broadway in that area and next Fall the College is planning on re-locating two fraternities into that area on East Broadway, which will make more students crossing East Broadway. The students are requesting that a two-way stop sign be put at the South 8th Street crossing. Mayor Davies thanked Ms. Nolasco for presenting the students concerns and said that the City would take it under advisement.

B. Consent Agenda

1. Approval of Bills

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

V. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

A. MFD January Report – Chief Rexroat

- ✚ There were 155 calls for service in the month of January
- ✚ Last week there was a structure fire with a fatality. Chief Rexroat commended the department on how quickly they got water on the fire and also on the neighbor's house, which saved the neighbor's house from burning. There were no other reported injuries from the fire.
- ✚ The department participated in a table talk with another department along with the MPD and the County to discuss response procedures to winter storms.
- ✚ In January, the department completed ice rescue training in the evening at Citizens Lake. Roseville's volunteer department participated along with the MPD and the Warren County Sheriff's Department.
- ✚ During the winter storm in January, the department brought in additional staff to stay at the station to offer relief to those on duty responding to calls during the storm.

B. MPD January Report – Chief Switzer

- In January the department made 30 arrests, had 1,198 MPD calls, 2,865 dispatch calls and responded to 26 accidents.
- Officers spent 20 hours in Court for related cases.
- Gara Nichols reported to the Police Academy and is doing well.
- There were no major incidents during the major storm in January.
- The two new squad cars that were ordered last year, but were unable to be delivered have arrived. The only color that was available was black with white lettering, which is different than our current cars that are white with black lettering.

C. Approval of Redevelopment Agreement with Dame Holdings, LLC

Administrator Steinbrecher explained that this proposed Redevelopment Agreement is between the City and Dame Holdings LLC (Dillon Vancil) to commercially redevelop 504 North Main Street into a self-storage facility and relocate his drive-thru coffee business from across the roadway to where the old car wash stood on North Main. This agreement establishes the traditional Tax Increment Finance arrangement of providing TIF property tax rebate incentive for certain eligible costs. No general fund tax monies will be used to make these future tax rebate reimbursement payments. Approximately \$81,500 in TIF eligible expenditures will be made by Dame Holdings LLC, also known as Dame Fine Coffee. Similar Redevelopment Agreements have been previously approved by the Council and the Administration is recommending approval of this Redevelopment Agreement with Dame Holdings, LLC. **It was moved by Alderman Conard and seconded by Alderman Pinedo to approve the Redevelopment Agreement with Dame Holdings, LLC as presented.** AYE: Alderwoman Twomey, Aldermen Daw, Conard, Pinedo, Ferry, Grant and Bone NAY: none ABSENT: Alderman VanVleet **MOTION CARRIED.**

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Per Illinois Statute 5ILCS 120/2 to consider Collective Bargaining

- 1. It was moved by Alderman Ferry and seconded by Alderwoman Twomey to go into Executive Session at 6:15 p.m. AYE:** Aldermen Daw, Conard, Pinedo, Ferry, Grant, Bond and Alderwoman Twomey **NAY:** none **ABSENT:** Alderman VanVleet **MOTION CARRIED.**
- 2. It was moved by Alderman Grant and seconded by Alderman Ferry to return to Regular Session at 6:20 p.m. AYE:** Aldermen Conard, Pinedo, Ferry, Grant, Bone, Alderwoman Twomey and Alderman Daw **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 Alderman Ferry to adjourn the February 20th meeting at 6:20 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