



**CITY OF MONMOUTH
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**



Date: Monday, June 1, 2019

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, Aldermen Daw, Heatherly and Alderwoman Mary Kelly **Late:** Alderman Juan Pinedo (7:04 p.m.) **Also Present:** Mayor Rod Davies, City Administrator Lew Steinbrecher, City Clerk Susan S. Trevor, City Attorney Marcum Spears, MFD Chief Casey Rexroat, MPD Chief Joe Switzer, Woodard and Curran Director Andy Jackson, IT Director Ken Helms and Building and Zoning Director Joe Clark.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Approval of the June 17, 2019 Council Meeting Minutes

It was moved by Alderwoman Twomey and seconded by Alderwoman Kelly to approve the June 17, 2019 Council Meeting Minutes. **AYE:** Alderman Cook, Alderwoman Twomey, Aldermen Daw, Heatherly and Alderwoman Kelly **PASS:** Aldermen Thomas and Wells **NAY:** none **ABSENT:** Alderman Pinedo **MOTION CARRIED.**

IV. PRESENTATION TO THE COUNCIL

A. Presentations or Citizen Inquiries (all inquiries are limited to 3 minutes per City Ordinance)

There were none to consider.

B. Consent Agenda

1. Approval of Bills

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

V. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

A. Building and Zoning June Report – Director Clark

- ✓ Notices for Junk and Debris are continuing to be sent.
- ✓ Number of permits is down, which might be attributed to the weather.
- ✓ The department is working on developing a registration for all contractors.
- ✓ Rental inspections as still being conducted.
- ✓ Smithfield is close to completion of their carcass cooler.
- ✓ Parkins new facility on Route 67 has the footings poured and work on loading docks has been started.
- ✓ The City received the topography report for 226 S. Main Street so that any future work in back of the building will have that report prior to the start of any construction project.

B. Community Engagement June Report – IT Director Helms

- ✚ Due to a new National Weather Service protocol requiring municipalities to alert citizens when winds are forecasted to be 70 mph or more, the 911 Board studied several systems to initiate this type of alert. The current warning siren has only one tone; therefore, a new system needed to be found to alert citizens for different emergencies.
- ✚ After researching several systems, the 911 Board chose a relatively easy text message application. It is an opt-in system as the Federal Government doesn't allow "grabbing" cell phone numbers for any one system. A person simply puts in their 6 digit zip code so they can be notified of each type of potential emergency event.
- ✚ In the next several weeks, the 911 Board will begin promoting the opt-in emergency alert service.

C. Woodard and Curran May Report – Director Jackson

- I have included in the Council Web Packet all the material explaining the steps required to implement an MFT road maintenance project. The 2019 MFT project was put out for bid and the bid opening will be July 15th at 10:00 a.m. here at City Hall. There are about two and one-half miles of road work included in the project. The repair and upgrading of the intersection of S. B Street and W. 6th Avenue by the Midwestern Pet Foods Plant is one of the street areas included in the project.
- Due to the State's new gas tax, the City should be receiving some money back, but at this point it is unknown exactly how much.
- There are roads that are notably in bad shape but cannot be included in the MFT project due to underlying infrastructure that needs to be replaced. It would not be responsible use of tax dollars to pave a street and then have to tear it up to replace aging infrastructure.
- An example of a street being resurfaced and then torn up due to a large water main repair is in the West bound lanes of the 200 block of East Broadway. Rather than undergo a very expensive replacement of the concrete that has sunk, the City is going to try a procedure called "mud-jacking". The cost of that is around 8 to 9,000 dollars.
- The water main replacement project on East 9th Street was started last week

VI. ORDINANCES

A. 1ST Reading

1. 19-016, Rezoning of 7 Properties from B-2 Commercial to R-2 Residential and 1 Property from R-2 Mobile Home to R-2 Residential

Building and Zoning Director Clark explained that the City is trying to get rid of "spot zoning" and this is part of the process. There was no negative feedback from the Public Hearing regarding this rezoning. **It was moved by Alderman Heatherly and seconded by Alderman Daw to accept the recommendation of the Plan Commission and approve Ordinance 19-016 as presented. AYE:** Alderwoman Twomey, Aldermen Daw, Wells, Pinedo, Heatherly, Alderwoman Kelly, Aldermen Thomas and Cook. **NAY:** none **MOTION CARRIED.**

2. 19-017, Amending Chapter 115, Class IV Number of Liquor Licenses

Administrator Steinbrecher explained that Esmeralda Aliu has submitted a business plan, which has been reviewed and approved to re-model the old Hardee's building at 411 North Main Street into Leo's Drive-Through Convenience Store. The business is requesting that an additional Class IV Liquor License be allowed as they would like to be able to sell packaged liquor at their store. **It was moved by Alderman Wells and seconded by Alderman Daw to approve adding an additional Class IV Liquor License bringing the total number to eleven. AYE:** Aldermen Daw, Wells, Pinedo, Heatherly and Alderwoman Kelly **NAY:** Aldermen Thomas, Cook and Alderwoman Twomey **MOTION FAILED due to lack of enough votes for passage and will be brought back for 2nd Reading at the July 15th Council Meeting.**

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

There was none to consider.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Alderman Heatherly and seconded by Alderman Wells to adjourn the July 1, 2019 meeting at 6:25 p.m. MOTION CARRIED by unanimous voice vote.

Mayor Rod Davies

City Clerk Susan S. Trevor