



# CITY OF MONMOUTH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

**Date:** Monday, November 15, 2021

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

#### **III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

#### A. Approval of November 1, 2021 Council Meeting Minutes

It was moved by Alderman Cook and seconded by Alderman Daw to approve the November 1, 2021 Council Meeting Minutes as presented. AYE: Aldermen Thomas, Cook, Alderwoman Twomey, Aldermen Daw, Conard, Pinedo, Alderwoman Kelly and Alderman VanVleet NAY: none MOTION CARRIED.

# **IV. PRESENTATION TO THE COUNCIL**

#### A. Presentations or Citizen Inquiries

There were no presentations or inquiries to be heard.

# B. Consent Agenda

#### **1. Approval of Bills**

# It was moved by Alderman Daw and seconded by Alderwoman Twomey to

approve the bills as presented. AYE: Alderman Cook, Alderwoman Twomey, Aldermen Daw, Conard, Pinedo, Alderwoman Kelly, Aldermen VanVleet and Thomas NAY: none MOTION CARRIED.

# V. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

# A. MFD October Report – Chief Rexroat

- <sup>\*</sup> There were 157 calls in October with 104 of them being medical calls.
- Regular training was conducted on extrication from vehicles with Berg's towing providing the vehicles to use for the training.
- Captain Peeler and Captain Cozadd participated in advanced officer training, which is a very intensive training course.
- Captain Peeler also arranged for training designed specifically to train the Monmouth department to transition from using a platform ladder to a straight stick. The training also helped with ladder placement.

- As Chief, I attended the Illinois Fire Chief's Conference in Peoria and was inducted to be on the Executive Board.
- Kirefighter Wenger took an exam to be certified in a number of categories.
- Fire Prevention Month was in October. Due to COVID restrictions, the Department conducted tours of the Station and also fire drills with several schools in place of classroom presentations.
- The department also held their annual Halloween Trick or Treat Event at the North Fire Station. The Evening Lions Club provided hot dogs. There were around 300 people who came through the station. MPD and Galesburg Ambulance Service were also there.
- A local foundation donated additional funds to accompany the funds received from Compeer Financial in order for the department to finish purchasing equipment to replace worn out ropes and rescue equipment.
- \* The equipment purchased through the State Fire Marshall grant was received last week.

# **B.** MPD October Report – Chief Switzer

- There were 29 criminal arrests in October with 1,384 calls for service.
- As Chief, I met with Illinois representatives with ROC to develop plans for fighting alcohol and drug abuse.
- Alice Drills were conducted at Monmouth College, Monmouth-Roseville High School, United High School and several grade schools.
- MPD assisted with the Monmouth-Roseville and Monmouth College Homecoming Parades.
- All officers participated in low-light shooting in October and the arrest and control officer earned his firearms and shooting re-certification.
- C. Approval of 2022 Council Meeting Schedule

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

# **VI. RESOLUTIONS**

A. 21-007, 2022 Joint Animal Control Contract with Warren County

It was moved Alderwoman Kelly and seconded by Alderman Pinedo to approve the annual Joint Animal Control Contract for 2022 as presented. AYE: Aldermen Daw, Conard, Pinedo, Alderwoman Kelly, Aldermen VanVleet, Thomas, Cook and Alderwoman Twomey. VII. ORDINANCES

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

- 1. 21-024, 2021-2022 Tax Levy
- 2. 21-025, Partially Abating Tax on \$8,335,000.00 GOB Bonds, Series 2014
- 3. 21-026, Abating Tax on \$4,065,000.00 GOB Bonds, Series 2015B
- 4. 21-027, Abating Tax on \$7,680,000.00 GOB Bonds, Series 2020
- 5. 21-028, Abating Tax on \$4,200,000.00 GOB Refunding Bonds, Series 2020A
- 6. 21-029, Abating Tax on \$13,650,000.00 GOB Refunding Bonds, Series 2021 A & B

Mayor Davies explained that these ordinances are the annual Tax Levy Ordinance along with the abatements for the GOB Bonds and the Partial Abatement on the \$8,335,000.00 GOB Bonds that the City is required to do each year by the end of the year. It was moved by Alderman Conard and seconded by Alderman VanVleet to approve Ordinance 21-024 through 21-029 collectively. AYE: Aldermen Conard, Pinedo, Alderwoman Kelly, Aldermen VanVleet, Thomas, Cook, Alderwoman Twomey and Alderman Daw. NAY: none MOTION CARRIED.

#### 7. 21-030, Special Use Permit – 222 East 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue

Building and Zoning Director Clark explained that the above address is the old Culligan building and the current owner wants to put an apartment in his building for his use when he is not traveling. This location is currently zoned a B-2 neighborhood commercial for the purpose of a dwelling. It will not be rented out. The Zoning Board unanimously recommended approval of the Special Use Permit. It was moved by Alderman Thomas and seconded by Alderman Conard to accept the recommendation of the Zoning Board of Appeals and approve the Special Use Permit for 222 East 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue. AYE: Alderman Pinedo, Alderwoman Kelly, Aldermen VanVleet, Thomas, Cook, Alderwoman Twomey, Aldermen Daw and Conard NAY: none MOTION CARRIED

#### VIII. OTHER BUSINESS

There was none to consider.

#### IX. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Alderman Daw and seconded by Alderman VanVleet to adjourn the November 15, 2021 meeting at 7:15 p.m. MOTION CARRIED by unanimous voice vote.

Mayor Rod Davies

City Clerk Susan S. Trevor