

The Board of Aldermen met in regular session at 6:00 P.M.

The Mayor, Neal Minor, was present and presided.

Aldermen Present: Greg Smith, Roch Buckman, Jeff Spalding, Tyler Wheeler and Gerry Quinn

Aldermen Absent: Mark Greening

Others Present: Kevin O'Bryan, Jackie Pangborn, Darren Freidank, Carrie Cooper, Greg Cooper, Don LaRue, Frankie LaRue, Bill Thorndyke, Tara Albright, Marlin McCormick, Adriana Orsini, Mike Hale, Rich Enochs, Sheila Kendrick and John Wilcox

Mayor Minor called the meeting to order.

Mayor Minor asked everyone to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Board of Aldermen reviewed the consent agenda. Alderman Spalding motioned to approve the consent agenda; Alderman Wheeler seconded it, with all in favor.

Mayor Minor opened the floor to the public for open forum.

Bill Thorndyke said that he wanted to thank everyone for allowing him and his wife to deliver donated items to Washington, Illinois. The people in that community were very appreciative of the donations and he was glad he was able to be a part of this. Bill Thorndyke said that he would also like to thank the Board of Aldermen and everyone present for allowing the City to have dedicated departments and employees. Mayor Minor said that the City government does work in the best interest of the City. Alderman Quinn said that the reason the City government can function is because they have the support of the community.

Carrie Cooper said that the City's MOPERM policy does include earthquake and flood coverage. Based on conversations that she has had with City personnel, she is recommending that the coverage for certain older vehicles be reduced to liability only and change the remaining vehicles to \$500 comprehensive and \$1,000 collision deductibles. This will reduce the annual premium by \$719.00. She is also recommending that the deductible for buildings be \$5,000.00 and all equipment be \$1,000.00. This will reduce the annual premium by \$4,150.00. This includes an increase to property located in the City Hall building from \$200,000.00 to \$250,000.00. She said that the City has \$100,000.00 coverage on the historical items in the museum. If these items are lost, stolen or damaged, they should be covered even though the City does not own them. Carrie Cooper said that a complete inventory of the historical items and their valuation needs to be prepared. After discussion on Carrie Cooper's recommendation, Alderman Smith motioned to accept these recommendations on reducing certain older vehicles to liability only,

changing the remaining vehicles to \$500 comprehensive and \$1,000 collision deductibles and changing deductible for all buildings to \$5,000 and all equipment to \$1,000; Alderman Quinn seconded it, with all in favor.

Kevin O'Bryan presented the Director of Public Works' report to the Board of Aldermen:

- They have been busy during the past two weeks dealing with the snow and weather.
- They met with Mark Bross of Klingner and Associates earlier in the week. The plans and bid documents for the sewer collection system are nearly complete. They should be ready to solicit bids in March 2014.
- Applicants have been interviewed for the Gas Water Sewer Department. They will have recommendations at the January 23, 2014 meeting.

Mayor Minor said that Michael Purol of Poepping, Stone, Bach & Associates has given the City an engineering agreement to produce construction drawings and specifications sufficient for the City to acquire bids for a structural overlay on the spillway at South Lake. The cost would be \$4,250.00. Michael Purol told Mayor Minor that he has monitored the deterioration of the concrete spill way at South Lake and documented it for several years. DNR has told the City that this is an area of concern. Mayor Minor said that a pedestrian bridge across the spillway would be included in these drawings. The Board agreed that they could have the drawings prepared, but were under no obligation to seek bids at this time. After further discussion, Alderman Wheeler motioned to authorize Mayor Minor to sign the engineer's agreement with Poepping, Stone, Bach & Associates to produce construction drawings and specifications for the spillway at South Lake; Alderman Quinn seconded it, with all in favor.

Darren Freidank presented a proposal from Sign Pro of Quincy, Illinois for graphics and lettering for the two new police cars. The cost is \$339.00 per car or \$678.00 for both. He presented pictures of the proposed graphics and lettering. After review and discussion, Alderman Wheeler motioned to accept the proposal from Sign Pro of Quincy, Illinois; Alderman Quinn seconded it, with all in favor. Darren Freidank said that the two police cars ordered from Lovegreen's are in. They will be sent to St. Louis to have the police equipment installed and then to Quincy, Illinois to have the graphics and signage put on. Darren Freidank said that the cars should be ready to put into service in two to three weeks. Darren Freidank thanked Alderman Wheeler for his assistance with the graphics.

Mike Hale said that the Fire Department solicited bids for turnout gear. The bids included boots, helmets and turnout gear for 20 firefighters. He recommended that the bid from Quaker Company for the helmets and turnout gear and the bid from Haix Fire Equipment for the boots be accepted. The total cost is about \$40,000.00. The City was to pay for half of this cost and the Rural Fire Association to pay the other half. After review and discussion, Alderman Quinn motioned to accept the

recommendation from the Fire Chief and to pay for half of this gear on the condition that the Rural Fire Association pay for the other half; Alderman Smith seconded it, with all in favor. Jackie Pangborn said that after approval is received from the Rural Fire Association and specific details on the purchase are provided, she will issue purchase orders for this equipment.

Mike Hale said one of the concrete chunks in the floor at the Fire Station was pulled up. It was determined that there was no gravel or base under the floor. The ground was soft and muddy. Mayor Minor said that the Rural Fire Association is not interested in building a new fire station. The City and the Rural Board may want to consider upgrading the existing Fire Station and have the bays be drive through. Alderman Wheeler said that he will contact the Rural Board and see when they want to meet with the Board of Aldermen to discuss the Fire Station.

Jackie Pangborn presented the Director of Administration’s report to the Board of Aldermen:

- She presented an economic development agreement between the IDA of the County of Monroe and the City of Monroe City. The cost is \$40,000 per year for three years with the agreement that the IDA of County of Monroe is to contract with the Moberly Area Economic Development Corporation. She asked for Board approval to have the Mayor sign this agreement and remit the initial payment of \$40,000. After review and discussion, Alderman Buckman motioned to authorize the Mayor to sign this agreement and remit the initial payment of \$40,000; Alderman Wheeler seconded it, with all in favor.
- Thermal Mechanics will be coming to Monroe City in the near future to review the City’s heating and cooling system.
- She asked Klingner & Associates to update their proposal for engineering services for the Fire Station to provide a total cost of engineering to follow through the construction phase, including after the bid packets go out, review packets, awards bids and carry us through the construction phase. This will increase the cost from \$12,000 to \$15,000. With regards to St. Jude’s Church, updating their proposal to take us through the construction phase would increase the cost from \$25,000 to \$33,000. The Board agreed that when the meeting is set up with the Rural Board that this issue needs to be addressed. A request for proposals from area contractors for putting in a new floor could be solicited. The issue with St. Jude’s Church is tabled.

Alderman Smith motioned to adjourn the open session and go into executive session authorized by RSMO 610.021 (3) hiring, firing, disciplining or promoting of particular employees. Alderman Wheeler seconded it, with the vote as follows:

Greg Smith	Yea	Jeff Spalding	Yea
Mark Greening	Absent	Tyler Wheeler	Yea
Roch Buckman	Yea	Gerry Quinn	Yea

Alderman Quinn seconded it, with all in favor.

After the adjournment of the executive session, the open session was reconvened.

No decisions were made in executive session.

Alderman Wheeler motioned to adjourn the meeting; Alderman Spalding seconded it, with all in favor.

Neal Minor, Mayor

Gary Osbourne, City Clerk