

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, Mark Greening, Michael Purol, Tyler Wheeler and Gerry Quinn

Others Present: Kevin O'Bryan, Tiffany Finnigan, Andy Duffy, Terry Gibbs, Rich Enochs, Mike Hale, Larry Howerter, Gary Luck 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 Buckman motioned to approve the consent agenda; Alderman Greening seconded it; with all in favor.

Mayor Minor opened the floor for open forum. Gary Luck of Luck, Humphreys & Associates presented the 2013-14 audit to the Board of Aldermen. He said that Monroe City continues to be in a good equity position with good cash flow. Mayor Minor asked Gary Luck about using utility funds to pay for General Fund expenses. Gary Luck said that the money belonged to the City and they can use it anyway they want within the confines of the law.

Kevin O'Bryan presented the Director of Public Work's report to the Board of Aldermen

- Doing routine maintenance
- They have cleared off the Public Works lot to make room for equipment that the Sewer Contractors will be bringing in.
- A set of forks for the Skid Steer was apparently stolen recently. Alderman Greening said that the Public Works' lot needs to be fenced off. Kevin O'Bryan said that a more economical way would be to put in blocks spaced close enough to prevent vehicles from driving into the lot and putting in a gate.
- The bridge at the Sewer Plant stopped working. Larry Howerter said that he contacted R.L. Hoener Company about this problem. They had to get a crane to lift up the bridge to inspect the problem. It was determined that the bearings and other parts had to be replaced. Awerkamp Steel Sales and Fabrication in Quincy, Illinois provided the bearings and other custom parts in 1987. They are working on this project now and should have the parts ready by next week. R.L. Hoener Company will install them. They will not have to use the crane again.

Mike Hale said that two new firefighters were hired. They are Zach James and Waid

Porter. This was the result of extending the boundary for which applications could be solicited. He reminded the Board that the Fire Department dinner will be held at 6:00 pm. Saturday, January 10, 2015 at the Nutrition Center.

Alderman Buckman presented the Director of Administration's report to the Board of Aldermen:

- An agreement with MoDOT regarding Highway 24 was tabled until the February 5, 2015 meeting.
- The Chamber of Commerce Lunch will be on January 14, 2015 from 11:45 to 12:45. If anyone wants to attend they need to contact Jackie Pangborn.
- Does the City want to be a member of the Mark Twain Lake Chamber of Commerce? This issue was tabled until the January 22, 2015 meeting.
- Authorization is needed for the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Cintas for 3 years with minimal cost increases to provide uniforms and rugs for the City. Alderman Smith motioned to authorize Mayor Minor to sign this agreement on behalf of the City; Alderman Purol seconded it, with all in favor.
- On October 9, 2014 the Board of Aldermen voted to bill all non-Monroe City residents a fee of \$500.00 for the Monroe City Fire Department to respond to a vehicle accident. On December 9, 2014 the Monroe City Area Fire Protection District Board approved a motion that a flat fee of \$500.00 will be charged to responsible parties at accidents where firefighters respond, including extrication if necessary. This fee will not be charged to residents of Monroe City or members of the Rural Fire Association. Jackie Pangborn asked that the Board of Aldermen address this matter. The Board agreed that they should have the City Attorney draft the exact wording needed for this policy and to define residents. After further discussion, Alderman Buckman motioned to modify the motion approved on October 9, 2014 by including members of the Monroe City Rural Fire Association who are in good standing to those who are not to be billed for the Monroe City Fire Department responding to vehicle accidents; Alderman Wheeler seconded it, with all in favor.
- Steve Buckman has offered a program for 2015 that would allow the City to purchase fuel at a discount of \$.15 per gallon; thereafter it would be \$.05 per gallon. MFA said that they could lock in the price of gasoline at \$2.181 beginning February 1, 2015 and ending December 31, 2015. We would have to sign a contract with MFA. After discussion, the Board agreed to table this matter in order to get more information.

Alderman Buckman motioned to approve the estimate of funds needed for the Sewer Project for a bill from Klingner & Associates in the amount of \$589.24; Alderman Quinn seconded it, with all in favor.

Mayor Minor appointed Cathy Mudd to the Library Board. Alderman Greening motioned to approve this appointment; Alderman Greening motioned to approve this

appointment; Alderman Wheeler seconded it, with all in favor.

Alderman Smith motioned to adjourn the open session and go into executive session authorized by RSMO 610.021 (1) legal actions, causes of action or litigation involving a public governmental body and any confidential or privileged communications between a public governmental body or its representatives and its attorneys, Alderman Buckman seconded it, with the vote as follows:

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| Greg Smith..... | Yea | Michael Purol | Yea |
| Mark Greening | Yea | Tyler Wheeler..... | Yea |
| Roch Buckman..... | Yea | Gerry Quinn | Yea |

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

Mayor Minor said that no decisions were made in executive session.

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

Neal Minor, Mayor

Gary Osbourne, City Clerk