

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

Aldermen Present: Connie Painter, Marvin Vilorio, Jason Osbourne, Michael Purol, John Long and Gary Thompson

Others Present: Tyler Wheeler, Rich Enochs, Jackie Pangborn, Kevin O'Bryan, Justin Potterfield, Josh Berry, Kenny Thompson, Phillip Krug, Linda Greening, Mark Greening, Mandi Kindhart 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 conducted a public hearing on the proposed 2017 tax rates which are \$.7262 per \$100.00 of assessed valuation for the General Fund and \$.1928 per \$100.00 of assessed valuation for the Library Fund. Mayor Minor stated that these tax rates are the maximum amount allowed by the Missouri State Auditor. Last year's rates were \$.7202 for the General Fund and \$.1913 for the Library. No one from the public had any comments on the proposed tax rates. Mayor Minor closed the public hearing.

The Consent Agenda was reviewed and approved on a motion by Alderman Long; a second by Alderman Thompson, with all in favor.

Justin Potterfield thanked the City for the support that it has given Mosswood Golf Course over the past several years. He said that the City has been donating \$25,000.00 per year to Mosswood for grass seed, chemicals and fertilizer. He asked that the City increase this amount to \$35,000.00 so that Mosswood can better maintain the golf course. Mayor Minor said that the City will take this request under advisement when they work on the new City budget.

Alderman Painter said that Terry Gibbs is requesting that South Vine Street from the alley south to the end of the Dugout's building be closed on September 2, 2017 from 7:30 pm to 1:30 am for a street dance. He is requesting an electrical drop and barricades. Alderman Painter motioned to approve closing the street as requested and providing the electrical drop and barricades; Alderman Purol seconded it, with all in favor.

Mark Greening said that the John Zekind house on East Cleveland Street is up for a tax sale this year. The back taxes are \$1,200.00. This would be a good opportunity for the City to purchase this property and get rid of the old house on it.

Mayor Minor said that he has some changes to the 2017-18 Mayoral appointments. He appointed John Long as the Civil Defense Director. Alderman Purol motioned to accept this appointment; Alderman Thompson seconded it, with all in favor except Alderman Long who abstained. Mayor Minor appointed Chris Ellison as Clerk of the

Court replacing Jackie Pangborn. Alderman Purol motioned to accept this appointment; Alderman Long seconded it, with all in favor. Mayor Minor appointed Tyler Wheeler and John Wilcox to the Nuisance Committee in advisory capacities. He also appointed John Long to replace Michael Purol on this committee and appointed Jason Osbourne as the chairman. Alderman Purol motioned to approve these appointments; Alderman Thompson seconded it, with all in favor.

Mayor Minor said that there is a conflict of interest with Alderman John Long serving as chairman of the Public Safety Committee and also being a firefighter. He appointed Alderman Painter to be the chairman of the Public Safety Committee. Alderman Thompson motioned to approve this appointment; Alderman Purol seconded it, with all in favor.

Mayor Minor appointed Steve Tonsor to replace Dan Mudd on the Library Board.

Alderman Thompson gave the Public Works report. The Electric Department is removing brush from the 69 KV line on the east side of town. The Gas Water Sewer Department changed out a water meter at Monroe Height Apartments. The Street Department has been installing culverts and hauling brush. All of the Public Works Summer help is finished for the year.

Alderman Painter gave the Public Safety report. Tyler Wheeler introduced Phillip Krug who was just hired as a police officer. He has placed a notice in the newspaper for the position of Secretary for the Police Department. Tyler Wheeler said that he will put a notice in the paper that the Police Department will be stepping up on nuisances. Mayor Minor said that he has also written a letter to the newspaper about the City taking action on nuisances.

Alderman Osbourne updated the Board of Alderman on the Nuisance Committee meeting held on August 16, 2017. The committee discussed putting letters and notices in the newspaper concerning the City's plans to abate nuisances. Mayor Minor proclaimed October 28, 2017 as "Make a Difference Day" in Monroe City. Volunteers will be contacting people who are not physically or financially able to abate nuisances on their properties and offering to help them to get rid of their nuisances. He said that any public works employees that wanted to help on that day will get another day off with pay at a later date. Mandi Kindhart recommended making the story about the nuisances come across as a positive in that it will improve the town.

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

- MoDOT has a TEAP grant program open. The maximum funds is \$8,000.00 with a 20% match that the City could use to evaluate the remainder of the sidewalk program for Main Street from the BNSF tracks to the four-way.

- Applications are due by September 14, 2017. The Board approved pursuing this grant.
- The Mark Twain Solid Waste District has grant funds available. She said that she is not going to apply for funds at this time. Mayor Minor said that the Mark Twain Solid Waste District generates funds from tipping fees for waste going into landfills. They generate so much money that they cannot give it away fast enough. The grants are for programs that reduce the amount of waste going to landfills.
  - She said that applications are being solicited for one employee for the Street Department, one employee for the Gas Water Sewer Department and one employee for Water and Sewer Plants. Applications will be taken until September 15, 2017 or until the positions are filled.
  - She has drafted a letter to Sara Parker Pauley and Brian Canaday introducing them to the City's project at Route J. Reservoir that has been submitted for funding.
  - The Baldor motor at the Route J. Pump house needs new bearings and needs to be balanced. The cost for these repairs is \$2,646.96. A new motor would cost \$5,900.00. \$5,000.00 has been budgeted for this project. After discussion, Alderman Purol motioned to have the pump repaired for \$2,646.96; Alderman Thompson seconded it, with all in favor.
  - The Chamber of Commerce will be hosting the Taste of Fall on September 9, 2017 in St. Jude's Park. They have requested 1 porta potty, 1 handwashing station, 5 additional picnic tables and 3 trash cans. The Chamber of Commerce will also be hosting the Fall Festival on October 14, 2017 in St. Jude's Park. They would like 1 porta potty, 1 handwashing station and as many picnic tables and trash cans that the City can spare. Alderman Purol motioned to grant the requests as presented for the Chamber of Commerce; Alderman Painter seconded it, with all in favor.
  - Moberly Area EDC is hosting its 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Industrial Appreciation Day Golf Tournament on September 14, 2017 in Moberly, Missouri. They asked if the City wanted to sponsor a hole for \$100.00. The City is invited to have a 4 person team participate in this golf tournament. Mayor Minor said that he will get a team together to play in this tournament.
  - Missouri Enterprise is working with the Chamber to promote Manufacturing Day officially on October 6, 2017.
  - She presented a new agreement with Monroe County to provide 911 services for Monroe City. The cost is the same as last year which is \$5,723.33 per month. After discussion, Alderman Purol motioned to authorize the Mayor to enter this new agreement on behalf of the City; Alderman Thompson seconded it, with all in favor.
  - The Sewer Plant has numerous issues that required immediate attention. All Star Sewer Service out of Wentzville has cleaned out the digester area. The cost is \$3,000.00 per day. They also cleaned out the influent manhole. Next week they are going to clean out the aeration basis. None of these repairs were budgeted; however it must be done in order to maintain compliance with DNR and keep our system from becoming septic. Mark Bross will be here

next week for the evaluation process. Having the clarifier drained will help with his evaluation.

Gary Osbourne requested the following accounts be written off as uncollectible for accounting purposes only and referred to the City’s Collection agency:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Nick, Tobi	713 Easy St. # 54	\$321.25
Vaupel, Valerie	731 Fortune St. # 41	\$574.06
Rivera Coleen	706 Gyps Row # 5	\$195.62
Ritter, Lindsay	816 E. Cleveland St. # 1	\$127.15
Horner, Daniel	541 W. Summer St. # 21	\$1,639.45
Summers, Tammy	216 E. Dover St.	\$315.23

After discussion, Alderman Purol motioned to write off these accounts as uncollectible for accounting purposes only and to refer them to the City’s Collection Agency; Alderman Thompson seconded it, with all in favor except Alderman Painter.

The Board of Aldermen reviewed a proposed ordinance which would approve the tax rates as presented at the public hearing for the City of Monroe City effective October 1, 2017. The proposed ordinance was assigned bill # 6. The first reading of bill # 6 was read and approved on a motion by Alderman Purol, a second by Alderman Thompson with all in favor. The second reading of bill # 6 was read and approved on a motion by Alderman Thompson, a second by Alderman Long, with all in favor. Alderman Painter motioned to approve the final passage of bill # 6; Alderman Purol seconded it, with a vote as follows:

Connie Painter.....Yea	Michael Purol ..... Yea
Marvin Viloría.....Yea	John Long ..... Yea
Jason Osbourne .....Yea	Gary Thompson ..... Yea

Alderman Painter said that “Movie Night” will be held in South Park on August 19, 2017 at 8:00 pm.

The Board of Aldermen reviewed the preliminary draft of the 2017-18 budget. The draft had the estimated revenues by fund and included all of the capital expenditures requested by the Department Managers. The Board reviewed the preliminary draft and asked many questions. The budget will again be reviewed at the September 7, 2017 meeting.

Alderman Thompson motioned to go into executive session as 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 and RSMO

610.021 (3) hiring, firing, disciplining or promotion of particular employees, Alderman Long seconded it with a vote as follows:

Connie Painter .....	Yea	Michael Purol .....	Yea
Marvin Vioria .....	Yea	John Long .....	Yea
Jason Osbourne .....	Yea	Gary Thompson .....	Yea

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

Alderman Thompson motioned to ratify the decision made in executive session to authorize Mayor Minor to sign the revised real estate contract with Monroe City Ready Mix for land in the Ralls County Industrial Park; Alderman Thompson seconded it, with all in favor.

Alderman Thompson motioned to adjourn the meeting; Alderman Purol seconded it, with all in favor.

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Neal Minor, Mayor

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Gary Osbourne, City Clerk