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

Aldermen Present: Connie Painter, Jason Osbourne, Jeremy Moss, John Long,

and Gary Thompson

Alderman Absent: Marvin Viloria

Others Present: Neal Minor, Tyler Wheeler, Robert Dowell, Linda Greening,

Debbie Kendrick, Michael Purol, Rich Enochs, Kevin O'Bryan,

Mandi Kindhart, John Wilcox

Mayor Minor called the meeting to order.

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

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

Mayor Minor opened the floor to open forum.

Debbie Kendrick of See Real Estate brought to the floor a discussion regarding the Flood Plain that was determined for Monroe City by FEMA many years ago. Their map is not very accurate as it was done in the air, with no surveying. This map costs many people in Zone A extra money for mandatory flood insurance. Michael Purol of PSBA brought in examples of flood maps with elevations that his firm has done. The estimated cost of this survey would be \$45,000 to \$60,000. The council agreed that this is an extra expense for home owners but there are not enough people effected, nor would the city recoup their money if they were to pay for this. Currently there are only seven houses for sale in town, and only one of those is in the flood plain. Each individual home owner could also have this done for their own property. The council determined that this could be discussed again closer to budget time.

Alderman Thompson gave the Public Works report. Most departments are doing maintenance work, the sweeper has been in use cleaning out ditches and we are still waiting on the new backhoe.

Alderman Painter presented the Public Safety report. Chief Wheeler stated they are having radio issues, so they will be moving the repeater to the same tower as the fire department.

Jackie Pangborn presented the City Administrator's report to the Board of Aldermen:

The Rural Fire department needs a siren installed in Rensselaer. They
have budgeted \$5,000 for this but the cost is \$7,305 from A&W
Communications. The balance can be taken out of the funds left over from

the new tanker. The rural fire board has approved this purchase. Alderman Moss motioned to approve the quote from A&W Communications for \$7,305 for the installation of the siren, Alderman Long seconded with all in favor.

- The water plant had several days in December where the turbidity was high
  causing the monthly percentage to be up. A letter was sent to all water
  customers and a response letter was also sent to the DNR. The level of
  turbidity did not require a boil order. The levels have since been very low
  and we have had no cause for concern.
- Mowing contracts are ready for Neal to sign. Alderman Thompson made a
  motion to authorize Mayor Minor to sign the contracts for Kendrick Lawn
  Care and Elite Lawn Care Plus LLC, Alderman Moss seconded, with all in
  favor.
- Panhandle Eastern needs a continuation of the Small Customer Transportation Agreement in order for them to continue transporting the gas. The continuation needs to be for five years to correspond with our purchasing agreements. Alderman Moss motioned to allow the Mayor to sign the contract extension with Panhandle Eastern, Alderman Osbourne seconded with all in favor.

Alderman Osbourne gave a nuisance committee report. A meeting was held earlier today, and Chief Wheeler will be working on some violations.

Alderman Painter gave a report from the Park Board. Their meeting was held on February 22 where they discussed Make a Difference Day, the possibility of taking over the museum, cemetery walk, tree grants, and history. Their next meeting is March 20<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 pm.

Alderman Moss 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 Thompson seconded it with a vote as follows:

Connie Painter	Yea	Jeremy Moss	Yea
Marvin Viloria	Absent	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 to go out for bids for roofing at 105 N Main Street, Alderman Long seconded with all in favor.

Alderman Moss made a motion to ratify the decision to increase Officer Aaron
Anderson's pay by \$0.30 as he has successfully completed his probation, Alderman
Thompson seconded with all in favor.

There being no additional information adjourn the meeting, Alderman Thom	to discuss, Alderman Moss motioned to pson seconded it with all in favor.
Neal Minor, Mayor	
	Christine Ellison, City Clerk