

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

Aldermen Present: Connie Painter, Marvin Vioria, Jason Osbourne (6:05 p.m.),
Jeremy Moss, Dane Foster, Melissa Hays

Alderman Absent

Others Present: John Long, Michael Williams, Jackie Pangborn, Mike Hays, Chris
Hays, Michael Amantea, Rick Poertner, George Hausdorf, Chris
Callow, Jamie Colombini, Andy Colombini, Mandi Kindhart, Lisa
Denish, Justin Holliday, Spencer Camp, Linda Geist, Hollie
Bastian, Vern Bastian, Kevin O'Bryan, Kerry Lee

Mayor Long called the meeting to order.

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

The Board of Aldermen reviewed the consent agenda which included minutes from the June 6, 2019 meetings, May financials and bills payable. Alderman Painter made a motion to approve the consent agenda adding the May bill for Wilcox & Williams that was not listed in the accounts payable, Alderman Foster seconded with all in favor.

Mayor Long opened the floor to open forum:

- Michael Amantea from the US Department of Commerce was in attendance to discuss the upcoming Census with the Council. He stated this census is particularly important because if the State does not count enough people, it could potentially lose a congressional seat. Also, the number of residents determines the amount of funding received from the Federal government. Counting everyone really matters. Mr. Amantea is requesting a letter from the City stating the City is willing to partner with the Census Bureau to get the most complete count possible, and that it will form a Complete Count committee. This committee will be the local think tank, and Mr. Amantea will train the main contact for the committee and give resources for getting the complete count. He also noted people can complete the Census online this time, and once that it is done, no home visit will be made. He would also like to get the word out that the Census is hiring. They need 400,000 applicants and have only received 40,000. The Census will go live on March 15, 2020 and Census Day is April 1, 2020.
- Lisa Denish asked the Council to consider giving approval for the City to cut down the trees in her parents' front yard (Richard & Carol Gottman). She stated the electric department trimmed them as part of the trees were in the power lines. Kerry Lee was present and stated he doesn't want the liability of cutting the trees as they are too close to the house. He also doesn't have a bucket truck that would reach the top of the trees. Mrs. Denish asked the Council to consider the cost of trimming the trees versus cutting them down. She also asked if the City would reimburse her if she paid someone else to cut the trees down. She was told this was not an option as they are not City trees.
- Andy & Jamie Colombini were present to discuss their Utility bill. Mr. Colombini stated he understood that the water meter head was sent off and tested for

connectivity, however it was not tested for accuracy. He stated his average usage for water for all last year was approximately \$63/month. He is asking for a reduction of \$1,509.72 in water/sewer charges. Alderman Painter stated our current policy states customers are allowed a reduction in water/sewer charges one time in a 12-month period, and their bill was reduced in April. Alderman Painter made a motion to not write off any charges on their bill, Alderman Viloría seconded. Aldermen Painter and Viloría voted in favor, Aldermen Osbourne, Hays, Moss and Foster opposed. Motion did not pass. Alderman Hays made a motion to reduce the Colombini's bill for water and sewer to 20,000 gallons each per month for January, February, and March for a total reduction of \$725.50; Alderman Moss seconded the motion. Aldermen Osbourne, Moss, Foster and Hays voted in favor, Aldermen Painter and Viloría opposed.

- Mike Hays addressed the Council regarding the water drainage on Benton/Lawn Street. He stated the water can't drain from the back yards from Andy Mefford's house down to East Border. He would like the ditch made bigger. Alderman Moss asked Kerry Lee and Kevin O'Bryan to work together to get this done.
- Alderman Painter gave an update to the Council about the 4th of July festivities. An ad was placed in the Lake Gazette regarding the 4th of July Parade however a few things were not available, so they weren't published. Information regarding vendors was also not put in the paper. These updates will be added to Facebook posts to get the word out.
- Alderman Painter also stated Mandi Mudd will have her business open during the 4th of July activities. She will be grilling in the alley and would like to be able to close the alley from Main to Vine. Alderman Foster made a motion to allow Mudd Pie LLC to close the alley from Main to Vine with discretion of the church that may need access; Alderman Moss seconded with all in favor.
- The status of zoning for business licenses was brought up and it was determined that an Administrative meeting will need to be held to address this issue. It has been scheduled for July 10th at 7:00 p.m.

Planning & Zoning:

No report at this time.

Public Works:

- Alderman Viloría gave a general update on work the departments have been doing. Currently the City mows the yards at abandoned houses, but it was questioned if the City is ever paid back. A special tax assessment for these charges will be reviewed.
- Mill Street Engineering RFQ's have been received. Jackie Pangborn called for additional references on each of the four engineers. Based on reviews and prior knowledge of the companies, as well as being the only engineering firm that came and reviewed the area in person with Kevin O'Bryan, it was requested by Kevin O'Bryan to hire McClure Engineering, with Aaron McVicker as project manager. Alderman Moss made a motion to hire McClure Engineering for the Mill Street bridge project, Alderman Painter seconded with all in favor.

- AMI System – Ms. Pangborn has been calling around getting references regarding the AMI system. However, we need to determine if we want a consultant for the full project or just as needed. Ms. Pangborn stated that she feels that it would be beneficial to have a consultant to develop bid specs and to determine exactly what is needed before we dive into this. Kerry Lee and Chris Callow also agreed. Alderman Moss made a motion to request qualifications for AMI consultants, Alderman Osbourne seconded with all in favor.
- The Electric Department has a squeeze tool that needs to be repaired as it is having battery problems. Kerry Lee will get information regarding this added to a different meeting.
- Additional Sludge Location – PeopleService, Inc. has requested to use the 7 acres of land west of the golf course as an additional sludge location. This area will drain better and give them the room to land apply under normal weather conditions much better than the other two properties they currently have access to. The City will also have to add a culvert to the area to get into the land. Alderman Moss made a motion to allow PeopleService, Inc. to use the land at the golf course for land application of the sludge; Alderman Painter seconded with all in favor.
- Bucket truck bids were received. Kerry Lee also checked State Bids but there were no bids there that matched his criteria.

Drake	\$127,577
Altec	\$138,611
Kranz	\$140,814

Alderman Foster made a motion to accept the bid from Drake for \$127,577; Alderman Moss seconded with Aldermen Painter, Osbourne, Moss, Foster, Hays in favor. Alderman Vilorio abstained.

- There are several old pieces of equipment/property that need to be sold. Bid sheets were made up. Alderman Moss made a motion to allow bids to be made on the sale of old equipment/property; Alderman Hays seconded with all in favor.

Public Safety:

- Tornado warning tests are the first Wednesday of each month at 12:00 p.m. (noon)
- Storm spotting classes – these can be scheduled through one of the tv news stations, but they are done for the year. These can be coordinated to have classes and weather radios programmed all at the same time. It was also recommended to have severe weather topics included in the bi-annual mass mailer.
- The Emergency Management Director position - Chief Wheeler stated he would like it to be in the Police Department office so someone is available in Monroe City at all times. This is a Mayoral appointment so this would have to be done by Mayor Long.
- SRO Contract – this has been submitted for approval by the board. Alderman Moss made a motion to allow Mayor Long to sign the two-year contract with Monroe City R-1 School; Alderman Foster seconded with all in favor.

- National Night Out will be held on August 8th. Chief Wheeler will be forming a committee for this soon.
- Alderman Foster made a motion to allow Mayor Long to sign the permit allowing Fire Chief Rich Enochs to shoot fireworks on July 4th, Alderman Painter seconded with all in favor.
- Mayor Long requested information regarding the plans for improving the ISO ratings. Chief Enochs stated the Rural Board met the previous night and will be working on a plan to improve. Mayor Long would also like to see the fire equipment added to the Fire Department ordinance. Alderman Painter also asked Chief Enochs for a copy of the last ISO report.
- Mayor Long asked about the batteries in the warning sirens and how often these were checked. Kerry Lee stated the battery voltage is checked every month.
- Appraisal for 105 N. Main – no bids were received. Attorney Williams stated at this point the City can just select one. Jackie Pangborn will take care of this.
- Public Safety minutes from the June 12, 2019 meeting will be added to the next council meeting agenda for approval.
- The next Public Safety meeting is scheduled for July 10th at 6:30 p.m.

Administration:

- Progress report for the City was reviewed, this will be in the progress edition of the Lake Gazette.
- July 4th ad – the chamber did not budget funds to pay for the ad in the paper. The City does not want to foot this bill.
- MoDOT – Since we did not receive any bids the last go around for the Main Street Sidewalk Project, Bob Manzke from MoDOT suggested we try again. Many companies were behind on projects due to flooding and are now getting caught up. It was also suggested to remove MoDOT approved contractors as a requirement. Alderman Foster made a motion to allow Ms. Pangborn to solicit bids yet again for the project; Alderman Moss seconded with all in favor.
- Sunshine Law training is scheduled for July 16, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. As a reminder, this is a **mandatory** class for all Aldermen, Mayor and other City Personnel.
- Town Whistle – the timer was removed some time ago, but the siren is wired into the other sirens. If the Council wants to pursue getting this back up and running, a quote from Springfield Electric was \$260. The Council is okay with not pursuing this.
- A piano has been donated for use at St. Jude's Church.
- USDA needs a form signed to divide the farms to the correct owners on the property bought by Monroe City Ready Mix. Alderman Hays made a motion to allow Mayor Long to sign the Farm Division for USDA, Alderman Moss seconded with all in favor.
- Requested the following accounts be written off as uncollectible for accounting purposes only and referred to the City's Collection agency:

June 2019

Burch, Reene	537 W Summer #17	\$2,177.31
Hammock, Ethan	12 Thomas St #B	\$733.75

Rottman, Billy	536 Boulder #16	\$1,144.76
Young, Keshara	536 W Summer #B	\$568.55
Total		<u>\$4,624.37</u>

Alderman Foster motioned to write off these accounts as uncollectible for accounting purposes only and to refer them to the City’s Collection Agency; Alderman Moss seconded it. Aldermen Viloría, Moss, Foster and Hays in favor, Aldermen Painter and Osbourne opposed, motion carries.

- Pre-construction meeting will be held next week on the South Lake Spillway Project. It is currently in the process of draining.

Nuisance:

- A Nuisance committee meeting will be held on July 10, 2019 at 5 30 p.m.

Park Report:

- A Park Board meeting was held on June 18, 2019. The trail system was discussed. They will be painting paws next weekend (June 28-30). The fitness stations will also be in Oelschlaeger’s Park between Park Place and Chestnut. This Fitness Trail will be promoted during the National Night Out day in August and may plan for a 5k run during the Fall Festival.
- There was a concern from an individual that had trees planted at South Lake that the trees had died. The Park Board decided to replace these trees one time. The South Lake Memorial Tree program is also being modified. If someone wants to plant their own trees out there, they have to meet with City Hall to determine where they want the tree to go and it has to be the tree on the plan that is designated for that area; they have to pay \$100 for the signage and there will be no guarantee on the life of the tree. Alderman Osbourne made a motion to approve the changes to the Memorial Tree program, Alderman Moss seconded with all in favor.
- Aldermen Painter and Hays will get with Kevin O’Bryan regarding the Park List, to get some of the summer help to do some of the items on the list.
- The next Park Board meeting is July 16, 2019 at 4:30 p.m.
- The Cost Share Request/Agreement for the Multi Flora Rose at Route J Lake is ready. Alderman Foster made a motion to allow Jackie Pangborn to apply for the cost share program, Alderman Hays seconded with all in favor.

City Attorney’s Report:

- The Ordinance for the Sale of Real Estate will be ready for review at the Administration meeting on July 10, 2019.
- A proposed ordinance was presented regarding Off-Road Vehicles and Golf Carts “An Ordinance Regarding Recreational Off-Highway Vehicles and Golf Carts within the City of Monroe City, Missouri.” The proposed ordinance was assigned bill # 6. The first reading of bill # 6 was read and approved on a motion by Alderman Moss, a second by Alderman Foster, with a roll call vote as follows:

Connie Painter.....Yea Jeremy Moss..... Yea

Marvin Vilorio.....Yea	Dane Foster Yea
Jason OsbourneYea	Melissa Hays..... Yea

The second reading of bill #6 was read and approved on a motion by Alderman Foster, a second by Alderman Hays, with a roll call vote as follows:

Connie Painter.....Yea	Jeremy Moss..... Yea
Marvin Vilorio.....Yea	Dane Foster Yea
Jason OsbourneYea	Melissa Hays..... Yea

The final passage of bill # 6 was motioned by Alderman Hays, a second by Alderman Moss with a roll call vote as follows:

Connie Painter.....Yea	Jeremy Moss..... Yea
Marvin Vilorio.....Yea	Dane Foster Yea
Jason OsbourneYea	Melissa Hays..... Yea

Bill # 6 became ordinance # 06-2019.

Mayor’s Report:

- Mayor Long reminded everyone that Movies in the Park is scheduled for June 22nd.
- Due to the 4th of July holiday, the next meeting will have to be either cancelled or rescheduled for a different date. Mayor Long suggested the meeting be moved to July 11th. This was approved by roll call vote:

Connie Painter.....Yea	Jeremy Moss..... Yea
Marvin Vilorio.....Yea	Dane Foster Yea
Jason OsbourneYea	Melissa Hays..... Yea

Spencer Camp asked to use St. Jude’s Park on August 10th for Praise Jam with all amenities as in previous years. Alderman Osbourne made a motion to all Praise Jam to take place in St. Jude’s Park on August 10th with extra picnic tables and trash cans, bathrooms, and handwashing stations; Alderman Moss seconded with all in favor.

There being no additional business to discuss, Alderman Moss motioned to adjourn the meeting; Alderman Painter seconded it with all in favor. The meeting ended at 8:15 p.m.

John Long, Mayor

June 20, 2019

Christine Ellison, City Clerk