

**COUNCIL MEETING
(REGULAR)
November 4, 2020**

The council of the Town of Monon met for a regular meeting on **Wednesday, November 4, 2020** at 6:00 pm at the Monon Town Hall. Members present were President Rosemary Cooley, Kirk Quasebarth, Ron Benakovich and Ken Hickman. Also present were Superintendent Tony Rodgers, Marshal Roger Young, Attorney Dow Dellinger, and Clerk-Treasurer Tim Brown.

-Member Stacy Selagy was absent.

President Rosemary Cooley started our regular meeting @ 6:02 pm & led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment-of-silence.

MINUTES, PAYROLL, BILLS & CLAIMS:

Kirk Quasebarth made a motion to approve the REGULAR MEETING MINUTES & the SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES from October 21, 2020.

Ken Hickman seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Kirk Quasebarth made the motion to accept all the bills – claims – payroll as presented.

Ron Benakovich seconded the motion. The motion carried. \$80,269.09

MONTH END RECONCILIATION REVIEW / SIGN OFF... President Cooley reviewed, validated, and signed off on the month end sheets from October.

VISITORS: 2020 / 2021 Insurance Quotes decision & vote... President Cooley made a statement on how this will proceed this evening. 1. Rosemary first asked Alicia from Howes a question about a deductible health issue. 2. EMT's Jennifer Madlung and Kathy Dulin made a couple of statements about some dental insurance issues and Alicia gave answers to those questions. With no other discussion... President Cooley asked if someone would like to make a motion to accept either the Moncel Companies quote or the Howe Insurance quote for all 3 of the coverages... HEALTH, COMMERCIAL and WORKMANS COMP all bundled together.

Ken Hickman made the motion to accept the insurance bundle from HOWE INSURANCE.

Kirk Quasebarth seconded the motion. The motion carried and Howe Insurance is the Town of Monon's insurance carrier.

*Resident Dick Stimmel mentioned that the December 7th Preservation Meeting, the group will decorate the Civic Center. Also, the Christmas Parade will be on December 12th at night. Dick also wants the traffic lights to be timed better. **Resident Terry Saunders also thanked Tony and the boys for cleaning glass off 4th St.

PROPERTY CLEAN-UPS... 1. Roger stated that he and his deputies will continue each day looking for properties that need to be cleaned. 2. The Spruce Street property is moving slowing on their clean up. 3. Roger is moving ahead tagging more illegal / abandoned cars. 4. Roger is keeping up with any construction plies left around town. ***Deputy Ryan Rusk attended the meeting. Ryan had not met a couple of the Council Members and he was introduced to them.

WEST HWY 16 DRAINAGE SOLUTION... nothing new to report.

WASTEWATER FLOW PROBLEM and VANGUARD LETTER... Tony said Vanguard purchased a flowmeter and he will get with them to insure it is installed properly and it is working correctly.

SIDEWALK WORK... The Ray Tanner Company is working right in front of Marshal Young's house. They should be pouring this section of sidewalk tomorrow. ***The council told Tony that after this sidewalk is completed and Ray is paid for this, he is supposed to stop his work for the rest of the year. We probably will bid the rest of the areas out.

STREET GRINDING PILE ON THE HOWARD LOT... Tony stated they we are almost done with what we need from the pile. Member Quasebarth suggested that we take a couple of loads up to west of the old car wash area in the north part of town. This is an alley area of off north Lincoln Street. *Jennifer Madlung thanked the boys for a load that helped fix a big hole in the alley on Walnut Street. We will now contact the Howard family and tell them that they can take the rest of the grindings.

NEW BRUSH PILE SITE... Tony reported that he has approached the Shaun Garrett Farm out by Rockland Flooring. If they agree for us to dispose of the brush there, that would be great.

SUPERINTENDENT TONY RODGERS... 1.The Park is being closed this week. Three different doors have also been kicked in at the Park. Tony will get them repaired and we will try to get insurance money for them.
 2.The basketball court has been removed at the Park for the start for the construction for the new Splash Pad.
 3.Tony will get a new camera security system installed probably next spring at the Park.
 4.The Allen / Pearson memorial bench for the Park will be installed soon. The Bob Easterday swing will also be installed outside the center field fence at the Babe Ruth field. 4.Two of our utility workers have been tested for Covid. One is okay and we are waiting the results on the other test. 5.The town's fire hydrants were flushed last week. 6.The hydrant by the Caboose area was leaking. The boys shut it down and took out the meter. 7.Tony and the boys are starting to keep daily logbooks. 8.Tony completed a 3-day webinar last week.

ROGER YOUNG, MARSHAL... 1.Roger's department has been working on a lot of paperwork for a new OPO grant. 2.Deputy Rusk is being trained now on how to work in the OPO program.
 3.Gutwein Motors is trying to get in the specs on the new police truck vehicles. The purchase of a new squad vehicle may be later into 2021. 4.Roger is going to work on getting new cameras for the recycle area. Someone made a mess by the dumpsters. *Resident Tom Burbage gets a big THANK YOU for helping remove some of the trash....thanks again. 5.EMT Jennifer and Kathy said they would work on the electronic cabinet in the Fire Station to make it more workable.

CLERK-TREASURER TIM BROWN... 1.Clerk Brown also attended a 2-day webinar last week brought to you by the State. 2.The financial charts for October were passed out. Nice upward trends on both the water and wastewater charts. 3.A tree on Arch Street that needs to be removed, the property owners were sent a letter to get it removed. 4.The Rockland Flooring manager called us. I put him in contact with Jon Borgers from Wessler Engineering. They are going to be building a new structure there and they want preliminary quotes for installing a new septic system or hooking into our town's sewer system. Jon will talk to them. 5.Jim Davis of the Monon Main Street group asked that I deliver a message to all our Council members that they are welcome to attend any of their future meetings if they would like.

ATTORNEY DELLINGER... Dow has reviewed the new Splash Pad contract. Dow thought the contract looked fine. Clerk Brown will take the contract to KIRPC to see if they want to add anymore language to it before everyone signs it.

The meeting adjourned @ 6:35 pm.

Kirk Quasebarth made the motion to adjourn the meeting.
Ken Hickman seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**Our next regularly scheduled meeting will be on Wednesday, November 18, 2020 in our conf. room @ 6:00pm.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT: _____

COUNCIL VICE PRESIDENT: _____

COUNCIL MEMBER: _____

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ATTEST: _____