

MONROE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
August 11, 2020
MINUTES

7:00 p.m.

1. The regular meeting of the Monroe City Council was called to order by Mayor Pro Tempore Erica Sirrine at 7:00 p.m.

2. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Mathie. A prayer was offered by Councilmember Buchmiller.

3. Roll Call

Mayor Johnny Parsons- absent

Mayor Pro Tempore – Erica Sirrine

Councilmembers:

Dane Buchmiller

Janet Cartwright- absent

Michael Mathie

Perry Payne - absent

Public Works Director Devin Magleby

City Recorder Allison Leavitt

City Treasurer Jacee Barney

Utility Clerk Marisa Mathie

4. Consider a motion to approve the minutes of the meetings held July 28, 2020

Councilmember Mathie moved to approve the July 28, 2020 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes as submitted. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Buchmiller. A roll call vote was called. Voting yes: Councilmembers Buchmiller, Mathie, and Sirrine. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried. 3-0

5. Citizen input

No comments

6. Approval of August 2020 warrant register, July 2020 cash disbursements, adjustment

41 journal and utility aging report.

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43 **Councilmembers approved and signed the August 2020 warrant register, July 2020 cash**
44 **disbursements, adjustment journal and utility aging report.**

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46 **7. Business**

47 a. Swearing in of the 2020-2021 City Youth Council

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49 The oath of office was administered to 2020-2021 City Youth Council members by City Recorder Allison
50 Leavitt.

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52 b. Consider Central Telcom Services, LLC Franchise Agreement – Paul Peckham

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54 Paul Peckham introduced himself as the cable manager and Todd O’Neal, service tech in our
55 area for CentraCom (Central Telcom Services, LLC). Mr. Peckham gave a brief history stating that in 2005
56 CentraCom purchased the cable TV service in Monroe from Mallard Cable. At the time of purchase, the
57 system was at 450 megahertz; it is now at 750 megahertz. Mr. Peckham explained they do offer cable TV
58 and internet to all of Monroe City residence, however internet is the main service subscribed to.

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60 Mr. Peckham explained that the current franchise agreement between CentraCom (Central Telcom
61 Services, LLC) and Monroe City expires October 1, 2020. This agreement allows CentraCom to operate in
62 Monroe and use our utility easements for their lines.

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64 Councilmember Mathie stated the current agreement has a payment of 4.5 % and the new agreement is
65 for 3%. Mr. Peckham stated most of the municipalities CentraCom serves receives 3%, and this is their
66 standard agreement, however, if the Council wants, he can change the new agreement to state 4.5%.
67 Mayor Pro Tempore Sirrine stated that the opinion we received from David Church, City Attorney, was
68 that most municipalities receive 5%, which is the maximum limit allowed by the FCC. Mr. Peckham
69 stated that they do have some municipalities at 5% percent and these costs are passed on to the
70 consumer.

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72 Councilmember Buchmiller stated he does not agree with the lower percentage because that would be
73 going backwards.

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75 Mr. Peckham stated he would make the change to the contract and email it to the City Recorder
76 tomorrow.

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78 **Councilmember Mathie moved to accept the franchise agreement with CentraCom (Central Telcom**
79 **Services, LLC) at the rate of 4.5% for a term of 15 years. The motion was seconded by Councilmember**
80 **Buchmiller. A roll call vote was called. Voting yes: Councilmembers Buchmiller, Mathie, and Sirrine.**
81 **Vote was unanimous. Motion carried. 3-0**

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83 c. Consider action on Property Nuisance complaints.

84 1. 410 S. Main Street

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86 Mayor Pro Tempore Sirrine stated that Councilmember Cartwright had requested the Council look at this
87 property as a possible nuisance ordinance violator.

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89 Council discussed the issue of multiple items that are not in line with our nuisance ordinance,
90 however, they are not sure they want to begin the abatement process. Council instructed City Recorder
91 Allison Leavitt to contact our Code Enforcement Officer Charles Billingsley to discuss how this situation
92 may be handle without using the abatement process.

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94 2. 230 E 200 S

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96 City Treasurer Jacee Barney received an email from a realtor stating that a neighboring house
97 to a house he is trying to sell is non-compliant with our nuisance ordinance. He stated in the email that
98 there is a lot of trash and many barking dogs.

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100 City Treasurer Jacee Barney explained that there have been no other complaints from neighbors and the
101 house has since sold.

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103 Council decided that since we have not received other complaints that they would not take action at this
104 time, but this will be noted in case there are complaints in the future.

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106 d. Consider UDOT Highway Community Funding- Lyndon Friant – Jones & DeMille Engineering

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108 Lyndon Friant, Engineer with Jones & DeMille Engineering, explained to the Council that when we started
109 preparing for our road project in 2018 different phases were created to prioritize the road's conditions
110 and other funding options.

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112 Mr. Friant stated that Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT) has a grant program referred to as
113 "Joint Highway Community Funding". Within this program is a section for non-urban areas with a
114 population less than 5000. Roads to be considered with this grant must be classified as a major
115 collector road. Jones and DeMille Engineering petitioned UDOT to classify certain roads in Monroe as
116 "major collector" roads. UDOT only accepted Main Street from 100 S to 500 S as a "major collector" road.

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118 This UDOT grant program has a five-year lead time however they have not accepted applications for the
119 past two years, so if awarded these grant monies would be available in three years. Monroe's share of the
120 project would be 6.67%. Council discussed the different options for Main St. from 100 S to 500 S.

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122 Councilmember Mathie stated we need to see what the different options might cost and see if the City
123 can afford the 6.67% share.

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125 Public Works Director Devin Magleby and Mr. Friant explained that during our recent road project we
126 were able to widen the shoulder of Main St. from 100 S to 500 S. They believe this was a band-aid but will
127 preserve the life of the road until funds become available to reconstruct it.

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Mr. Friant explained that there will be no fee from Jones & DeMille Engineering to apply to UDOT in Monroe City's behalf for this grant.

Council agreed this appears to be a good avenue to pursue and asked Mr. Friant to proceed in applying to UDOT for grant funds.

e. Consider adding items to City surplus list.

Council reviewed the following list of items to be placed on the surplus list:

- HP printer with supplies
- 3 camp chief cookers
- 3 flat grills

Public Works Director explained that the printer was located in the City office and is no longer used nor needed and the cookers were used by the Council during our 24th celebration and Public Power Picnic to cook hamburgers and hot dogs. Since the City now has the large trailer grill these are no longer used.

Councilmember Mathie moved to add a HP printer with supplies and 3 sets of a camp chief cooker with grill. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Buchmiller. A roll call vote was called. Voting yes: Councilmembers Buchmiller, Mathie, and Sirrine. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried 3-0.

f. Appointment of Mayor Pro Tempore

Councilmember Buchmiller moved to appoint Councilmember Payne as Mayor Pro Tempore. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Mathie. A roll call vote was called. Voting yes: Councilmembers Buchmiller, Mathie, and Sirrine. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried 3-0.

8. Other Business

a. Staff Reports

City Recorder Allison Leavitt-

*Public Power will be on August 24, 2020 at the Mtn. View Park. Asked Councilmembers to be there by 5:15 p.m. to start cooking.

Public Works Director Devin Magleby

*Discussed with Council if there are monies in the budget to chip seal some of the City parking lots while the Staker Parsons chipping machinery is in town finishing up the road project. Mr. Magleby explained there is a \$4000.00 mobilization fee charged any time they come, so it is good to get as much done as possible while they are here in town.

Council discussed the different options available in the future and decided to wait. Mr. Magleby suggested that since this is not usually part of the park and library departments budget that in the future maintenance of their parking lots should be budgeted.

*Red Hill road is about two-thirds done and is looking good. Quantities of gravel have been more than expected, but when you are covering up rocks it takes a lot of gravel.

*People have been digging a trench again in the Red Hill area to divert the water. Mr. Magleby stated that while the City's equipment is in the area this would be fixed. Discussion of installing a board walk in this area would prevent people from digging the trench. Council discussed that constructing a board walk might be a good project for our City Youth Council members.

b. Department Business-Council

Councilmember Buchmiller –

*A Carbon Free Power Project (CFPP) zoom meeting will be held Thursday August 13, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. if Councilmembers can attend let City Recorder Allison Leavitt know and she will forward the email with the registration link to you.

There has been some opposition to the project and some cities are thinking about leaving the project. We are unsure at this time what this might mean for Monroe, where our portion is such a small amount compared to other cities. There are a lot of unanswered questions at this time but the Council agreed that we need to have an alternative power source.

Councilmember Mathie –

*Would like to see our Youth Council doing projects with a purpose. Currently their main role is to help with the City activities. These projects are important, but he feels if we provide good opportunities for the members to learn how to organize and follow through with projects this would keep area youth wanting to be a part of our Youth Council. Council discussed that the Youth Council could do projects that in the past were done as Eagle Scout projects. Councilmember Mathie asked other Councilmembers to think about possible projects within their departments that the Youth Council could accomplish.

Councilmember Sirrine –

*Received complaints about the number of paragliders camping near the landing strip on 300 E. There were about 62 flyers that came in during our 24th of July celebration and they plan on over 300 for their fly-in September 28- October 3, 2020.

Jordan Mills, owner of the RV park under construction, has stated he would let them stay on his property free of charge for this year, to help alleviate this problem. Councilmember Serrine stated we are trying to encourage the flyers to come to Monroe because they patronage our businesses, but we cannot have them disturbing the neighboring properties in an unnecessary way.

9. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Council for consideration, Councilmember Mathie moved the Regular Council Meeting adjourn at 8:02 p.m. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Buchmiller. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried. 3-0

The next regular City Council meeting is scheduled to be held on Tuesday August 25, 2020, starting at 7:00 p.m. at Monroe City Office.

Approved this Date 25th day of August, 2020

Allison Leavitt

Monroe City Recorder