

October 10, 2022

The October 10, 2022, meeting of the Monroe City Council was called to order by Mayor Douglas Duinink at 7:00 p.m. at the Monroe City Hall. Roll call was taken. Council members in attendance were: Jennifer St. Peter, Andrea Steenhoek, Stacie McCoy, Sean Wilson and Jean Goemaat. City employees in attendance were: Public Works Director- Marc Van Wyk and City Clerk/Administrator-Kim Thomas.

Visitors at the meeting were: Jamee Pierson, Delmar Johnson, Darrell Phifer, June Hjortshoj, Mike Street and Clint Price.

Council Member Jean Goemaat moved and was seconded by Council Member Stacie McCoy to approve the consent agenda. Items included the bills and minutes from the September meeting and the Clerk and Treasurer Report for September and Mike's Lounge annual Class C alcohol permit, pending dram shop coverage. Motion carried 5-0.

For committee and board reports, Van Wyk informed the council that Leighton State Bank employees painted the shelter house and trim around the little house at Red Rock Park as part of their Leighton Bank's Community Volunteer Day. There was a short discussion on the placement of the bleachers at the MRP soccer fields. There were no police or fire reports, however a reminder about the Lights and Fights event on October 15<sup>th</sup> on the city square.

Council Member St. Peter moved and was seconded by Goemaat to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> reading of AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF MONROE, IOWA, BY CHANGING THE ZONING MAP REGARDING THE PROPERTY AT 503 S. YORK STREET and waive the requirement that an ordinance must be considered and voted on for passage at two council meetings prior to the meeting at which it is finally passed. Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously 5-0. THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED by the City Council of the City of Monroe, Iowa; that the Zoning map of the City of Monroe is changed and that the property located at 503 S. York Street and legally described as Commence at the Northeast Corner of Block Eighty-nine in the Town of Monroe, Jasper County, Iowa, and run thence South 118.5 feet, thence Northwesterly along a 681.3 foot radius curve concave Northeasterly to a point on the North line of Block Eighty-nine, which point is 113 feet West of the Northeast Corner of said Block Eight-nine, thence East to point of beginning; and premises being all of said Block eighty-nine lying North and East of the Public Highway running through Block Eighty-nine, rezoned from commercial to residential. REPEALER. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE. If any section, provision or part of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole or any section, provision, or part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional. WHEN EFFECTIVE. This ordinance shall be in effect immediately after its final passage, approval and publication as provided by law. PASSED AND APPROVED this 10<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2022. ORDINANCE NO. 315, Signed: Douglas P. Duinink, Mayor and attested by: Kim Thomas, City Clerk/Administrator.

Council Member Steenhoek moved and was seconded by McCoy to approve RESOLUTION NO. 38-2022, accepting the hiring of JoAnn Hasselman as the new part-time Library Assistance for the Monroe Public Library. Motion carried 5-0.

Priorities for the MRP Disc Golf Course were discussed; first on the list will be tee pads. Van Wyk is getting bids for the pads. Other priorities will be discussed during budget workshops. There is \$4,850.35 left in the fund for disc golf. Also discussed was animals at the MRP. The council agreed to allow dogs on the MRP walking trail and along the Disc Golf Course once the walking trail is complete. This will be done in ordinance form during the upcoming winter months. Residents are encouraged to use the Monroe Dog Park and pick up after their pets.

Steenhoek moved and was seconded by St. Peter to approve the Downtown Revitalization application for FORESIM LLC dba Monroe Golf Club in the amount of \$7,360 for outside beautification and repairs to 108 E. Washington Street. Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously 5-0.

Steenhoek moved and was seconded by McCoy to allow adult beverages in the city park on October 15, 2022, for the Monroe Fire Department Lights and the Fights event starting at 5 p.m. Saturday and ending at 11 p.m. This is a BYOB event. Motion carried 5-0.

June Hjortshoj, Friends of the Monroe Library Member, was in attendance to give an update on building improvements done at the Monroe Public Library over the last year. "There has been a lot of grants written, money donated, raised and a lot of sweat equity put into the Library in upwards of \$100,000.00," stated Hjortshoj. Future plans mentioned were a sidewalk along the north side of the Library leading to the back area and removing the pea gravel in back with construction of a new, freshly remodeled outdoor area. Van Wyk stated he had one estimate for a concrete sidewalk 12x78 at \$6,000 for the north of the library. Hjortshoj also thanked Marc Van Wyk for the planting of the new lilac trees and prairie grass in front of the library. Another topic discussed was the placement of the Story Walk which state law will require placement of the poles at least 3-feet away from the Red Rock Prairie Bike Trail.

St. Peter moved and was seconded by Goemaat to approve Pay Request No. 1 to TK Concrete in the amount of \$53,646.50 for the Monroe Recreation Park Walking Trail Project. Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously 5-0.

Steenhoek moved and was seconded by St. Peter to approve Pay Request No. 4 for \$9,822.65 and approve signing of the Certification of Completion for Synergy Contracting LLC for the York Street Watermain Project. Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously 5-0.

Van Wyk updated the council on the red Ford dump truck repairs. Van Wyk said Hewitt's has provided him with an estimate of \$3,500 to \$8,000 for the repairs needed. Mayor Duinink mentioned the pump alone would be \$4,500. Van Wyk stated a new one was \$110,000 equipped and ready to go. The concern with purchasing new would be the possibility of not having it here by winter. Van Wyk was going to call to see when the delivery date would be on the new one. It was agreed to have a special meeting, if needed, to decide what to do about fixing the existing or buying new.

Open Forum – Clint Price asked why no one from the Police Department or city has contacted him about the person who drove through his field on September 29<sup>th</sup>. He voiced his continuing displeasure concerning the Monroe Police Department. Mr. Price claimed that no one had contacted him after the incident and that he had heard it from Steve Hewitt. Thomas stated the incident happened in Jasper County, not the city, but regardless someone should have let him know after it happened. Mayor Duinink and Administrator Thomas both apologized for the lack of communication on September 29<sup>th</sup>. Thomas told Mr. Price that if there were damages to his fence to bring a bill in to city hall for discussion at the next meeting.

St. Peter moved and was seconded by Council Member Wilson to adjourn at 8:11 p.m. A full copy of minutes may be seen at [WWW.MonroelA.com](http://WWW.MonroelA.com) or the Monroe City Hall.

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Douglas P. Duinink, Mayor

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Kim K. Thomas, City Clerk/Administrator

September 2022 Bills		
SALARIES	NET	33016.76
EFTPS	FEDERAL TAX	10913.21
IA DEPT OF REVENUE	SALES/WITHHOLDING TAX	5756.66
IPERS	POLICE/REGULAR	6620.25
CITY OF MONROE	HEALTH INSURANCE	1123.15
GIS BENEFITS	LIFE INSURANCE	95.63
WINDSTREAM	PHONE	83.11

MIDAMERICAN ENERGY	UTILITIES	5712.96
POST OFFICE	SEPTEMBER MAILING	315.08
UNITED HEALTHCARE INS CO	HEALTH INSURANCE	4783.38
IA RURAL WATER	VISION INSURANCE	74.99
DELTA DENTAL	DENTAL INSURANCE	238.86
USCELLULAR	PHONES/TABLETS	394.78
JUSTIN SELLS	WATER DEPOSIT REFUND	33.68
WINDSTREAM	PHONE	69.43
ANDREA LANPHIER	MILEAGE	30.00
BAKER & TAYLOR	BOOKS/SUPPLIES	368.22
BRENDA LANSER	MILEAGE	43.25
CALDWELL,BRIERLY,CHALUPA	LEGAL SERVICES	1898.13
CAPITAL ONE	LIB SUPPLIES/PAINT/PAPER TOWELS	299.00
CD BODY SHOP	RECHARGE AC/FIND LEAK IN CONDENSOR	383.00
CENTER POINT LARGE PRINT	BOOKS	134.82
IOWA REGIONAL UTILITIES ASSOC	RURAL WATER	19982.96
DC SPORTS	TSHIRTS-PRIZES FOR RIBBON CUTTING	120.00
DEMCO	FLAG/LIBRARY SUPPLIES	229.59
ECONO SIGNS LLC	SIGNS FOR DOG PARK/REC PARK	336.69
FARVER TRUE VALUE	PLASTIC BLADES/EYE BOLTS/ZINC BOLTS	26.15
GUIDEPOSTS	2 INVOICES/LIB	38.88
HEWITT'S SERVICE CENTER	OIL/FILTERS/TIRE REPAIRS/REROD	117.37
IA STATE UNIVERSITY	IA MUNICIPAL PROFESSIONALS CLASSES	96.00
IOWAN	1 YR SUBSCRIPTION	24.00
JACK VAN BAALE	MATERIALS/LABOR-RED ROCK PARK	550.89
JASPER COUNTY TREASURER	TAXES-PARCEL NO. 1830304004	989.34
JOHNSON AUTOMOTIVE	FUEL PUMP ASSEMBLY/LABOR	569.87
KAL SERVICES INC	CITY TRASH CONTRACT	14632.40
MICROBAC LABORATORIES	TESTING	669.75
MARCO INC NW 7128	COPIER CONTRACT	95.26
MEDIACOM	INTERNET	135.94
MENARDS	TWISTLOCK PHOTOCEL SURGE	91.86
MIDWEST LIVING	3 YR SUBSCRIPTION	11.00
MODERN MARKETING	250 CUSTOM MAGNETS	372.07
MONROE MIRROR INC	REGULAR/WINDOW ENVELOPES	146.00
MONROE POSTMASTER	ANNUAL BOX FEE FOR LIBRARY	108.00
MOTHER EARTH NEWS	1 YR SUBSCRIPTION	17.00
NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC	SUBSCRIPTION	52.45
NEWTON DAILY NEWS	ADVERTISING/PUBLICATIONS	240.46
NEWTON FIRE DEPT	AMBULANCE BILLING/APRIL-JUNE	700.00
OVERDRIVE INC	BOOK CONTENT FEE	713.07
PENWORTHY	BOOKS	588.19
RADAR ROAD TEC	3 RADAR CERT	105.00

RANGEMASTERS TRAINING CENTER	RESTOCKING FEE	116.00
REAL SIMPLE	SUBSCRIPTION	11.00
ROZENDAAL DRAIN CLEANING	SERVICE CALL/ODOR	96.30
SPAHN & ROSE LUMBER CO	PINE LATH	13.01
TWO RIVERS CO-OP	LP TANK RENT/ROUNDUP/PRAMITOL	412.50
VEENSTRA & KIMM INC	ENGINEERING FEES	1606.50
WINDSTREAM	PHONE	103.50
VERIZON	PHONES	540.38
LEIGHTON STATE BANK	NSF BANK FEE	5.00
WINDSTREAM	PHONE	83.11
MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS INC	IN CAR CAMARA SYSTEM	4100.00
AFLAC	INSURANCE	66.60
CARDMEMBER SERVICES	ACADMAY EXPENSES/CLOSED DOORS/CAMERAS	2670.45
LEIGHTON STATE BANK	SALES TAX REFUND	-0.35
AFLAC	EMPLOYEE PAID PORTION-CANCELLATION	28.56
TOTAL EXPENSE:		\$ 124,001.10
TOTAL REVENUE:		\$ 201,317.38

TOTAL REVENUE:	
GENERAL	65158.76
ROAD USE	30848.08
SPECIAL REVENUE	39168.57
CAPITAL PROJECT	2796.73
ENTERPRISE	61358.64
FIDUCIARY	621.31
DEBT SERVICE	1365.29
TOTAL:	\$ 201,317.38

TOTAL EXPENSE:	
GENERAL	62892.77
ROAD USE	6365.57
SPECIAL REVENUE	10529.46
CAPITAL PROJECT	0.00
ENTERPRISE	43966.6
FIDUCIARY	246.70
DEBT SERVICE	0.00
TOTAL:	\$ 124,001.10



