

## **CITY COUNCIL**

January 9, 2023

Mayor Stoner called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm, and led the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance. Rodney Burris led the Council in prayer.

Roll Call was taken by Maura Metcalf, Deputy City Clerk.

**ROLL CALL:** Present: MUSE, WOODHAM, CLARK, REED, VOGT, BROCK, BURRIS, KOON  
Absent:

Also Present: Terry Summers, City Administrator; Callie McFarland, Director of Community Development; Maura Metcalf, HR/Finance; Lt. Terry Jones, MPD; Chief John Rupkey, MFRD

### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

Cory Conrad addressed the council regarding the city's parking ticket policies. He informed the council of a series of events that occurred in relationship to receiving tickets for expired vehicle registrations. He has concerns regarding the process and does not feel the situation was handled appropriately.

### **CONSENT AGENDA:**

Claims Report (Claims dated December 12, 2022 through January 9, 2023)  
Meeting Minutes – City Council Meeting Minutes, December 12, 2022; City Council Closed Session Meeting Minutes, December 12, 2022  
Budget Report – November 2022  
Permit Report – December 2022  
Fire Report – December 2022  
Police Report – December 2022

Alderman Koon inquired regarding the TVs on the claims report. Alderwoman Muse requested the names of the alderman be updated on the police report. A motion was made by Alderman Reed, and seconded by Alderman Woodham, to approve the Consent Agenda items. A voice vote was taken and the motion carried with all present voting yes.

### **MAYOR'S REPORT:**

Mayor Stoner read a Proclamation designating February 4<sup>th</sup> as Mudpuppy Day. He reminded the council of the Strategic Plan Workshop that is scheduled for January 10<sup>th</sup>. He also reminded them to check their mailboxes at City hall. He announced today is National Law Enforcement Appreciation Day and thanked the officers that keep our community safe.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

None

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Ordinance 2023-01: An Ordinance Approving a Redevelopment Agreement Between the City of Monticello and Monticello Community Building Board Members, Concerning the Property Located at 201 N State Street, Monticello, Illinois**

Callie McFarland presented the following:

On August 12, 2019, the City of Monticello City Council approved the Monticello Business District by adoption of Ordinance 2019-40. Part of the program allowed for the creation of the Building Improvement Grant Program (a combination and amendment of the former façade improvement and downtown life safety grant programs), and funding was approved in the City’s fiscal year 2022 budget. The goal of the Building Improvement Grant program is to assist with public/private redevelopment efforts, using public funds to reimburse business/building owners upon completion of approved private development improvements.

The City invited applications for the Spring, 2023 program between December 1<sup>st</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> of 2022. Five completed applications were received for consideration during this round of programming. Details of the application and proposed improvements are included as exhibits to the Redevelopment Agreement.

Applicant: Monticello Community Building Board of Members (owner), 201 N. State Street

Project Description:

The owner of the property would like to replace existing guttering and downspouts of the Monticello Community Building.

Estimated Project Construction Window: April 1, 2023 – May 31, 2023

Estimated Project Cost: \$43,490.00

Recommended Reimbursement: 50% of total cost, up to \$10,000.00

A motion was made by Alderman Koon, and seconded by Alderman Woodham, to approve Ordinance 2023-01. The motion passed 8-0.

**Ordinance 2023-02: An Ordinance Approving a Redevelopment Agreement Between the City of Monticello and Willow Tree Missions, Concerning the Property Located at 100 E Washington, Monticello, Illinois**

Callie McFarland presented the following:

Applicant: Willow Tree Missions (owner), 100 E. Washington Street

Project Description:

The owner of the property would like to replace four egress windows, install signage.

Estimated Project Construction Window: February, 2023 – June, 2023

Estimated Project Cost: \$25,167.00

Recommended Reimbursement: 50% of total cost, up to \$10,000.00

A motion was made by Alderman Clark, and seconded by Alderwoman Vogt, to approve Ordinance 2023-02. The motion passed 8-0.

**Ordinance 2023-03: An Ordinance Approving a Redevelopment Agreement Between the City of Monticello and Piatt Co. Title & Abstract Co. Concerning the Property Located at 111 S State Street, Monticello, Illinois**

Callie McFarland presented the following:

Applicant: Piatt Co. Abstract & Title dba Kaiser Abstract Co. (owner), 111 S. State Street

Project Description:

The owner of the property would like to remove, patch and replace Dryvit system to the back of the building.

Estimated Project Construction Window: January, 2023 – March, 2023

Estimated Project Cost: \$5,400.00

Recommended Reimbursement: 50% of total cost, up to \$2,700.00

Alderman Koon inquired what the process would look like if a business would like more money than allotted. Ms. McFarland stated all applying are aware they can request more, and the council would review them to determine if they would like to allow more.

A motion was made by Alderman Clark, and seconded by Alderman Woodham, to approve Ordinance 2023-03. The motion passed 8-0.

**Ordinance 2023-04: An Ordinance Approving a Redevelopment Agreement Between the City of Monticello and Jackson Property Development, LLC Concerning the Property Located at 200 W Washington Street, Monticello, Illinois**

Callie McFarland presented the following:

Applicant: Jackson Property Development, LLC. (owner), 200 W. Washington Street

Project Description:

The owner of the property would like to remove and replace the awning, replace all 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> floor windows, paint the ornamental moldings white, replace the broken limestone, remove the steel signage, remove the AC unit, repaint the doors.

Estimated Project Construction Window: March, 2023 – June 2023

Estimated Project Cost: \$33,670

Recommended Reimbursement: 50% of total cost, up to \$10,000.00

Alderman Koon asked what kind of work had been done on the inside, and Ms. McFarland stated they have replaced the floor, removed the drop ceiling, drywalled, and added an ADA restroom.

A motion was made by Alderwoman Muse, and seconded by Alderman Koon, to approve Ordinance 2023-04. The motion passed 8-0.

**Ordinance 2023-05: An Ordinance Approving a Redevelopment Agreement Between the City of Monticello and T & R Ventures LLC Concerning the Property Located at 315 W Washington Street, Monticello, Illinois**

Callie McFarland presented the following:

Applicant: T & R Ventures, LLC (owner), 315 W. Washington Street

Project Description:

The owner of the property would like to construct a back porch and rear entrance, install new windows, and a new HVAC system.

Estimated Project Construction Window: January, 2023 – June 2023

Estimated Project Cost: \$25,167.00

Recommended Reimbursement: 50% of total cost, up to \$10,000.00

A motion was made by Alderwoman Vogt, and seconded by Alderman Burris, to approve Ordinance 2023-05. The motion passed 8-0.

**Ordinance 2023-06: An Ordinance Declaring Surplus Property and Authorizing the Purchase of Property**

Terry Summers presented the following:

During FY2023 budget discussions and included within the FY2023 budget, the City Council discussed and approved the purchase of a new squad vehicle for the Monticello Fire and Rescue Department, a new squad vehicle for the Monticello Police Department, and a new vehicle for the Monticello Parks and Recreation Department. The City will be trading in the old 2004 Fire and Rescue Department Squad, a 2013 Police Department Squad, and a 2008 Chevrolet Silverado towards the purchase price for these vehicles.

A motion was made by Alderman Burris, and seconded by Alderman Woodham, to approve Ordinance 2023-06. The motion passed 8-0

**ALDERMEN'S/ALDERWOMEN'S REPORT:**

Alderwoman Vogt was very appreciative of the Water Department staff for handling all of the calls and complaints regarding refuse. Alderman Brock inquired of Mr. Conrad specifics regarding his ticket problem and apologized the situation occurred. He also commented his trash totes were picked up and delivered timely. Alderman Burris and Alderman Clark apologized the ticket event occurred also. Alderman Woodham thanked the Journal Republican for the article in the paper. He also commented his trash totes were picked up and delivered timely.

**POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT:**

Interim Chief of Police Jones provided information regarding the search of the missing young adult.

**FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT:**

Chief Rupkey updated the council on training the Fire Department performed, and events they attended.

**CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:**

City Administrator Summers wished everyone a Happy New Year!

A motion was made by Alderman Brock and seconded by Alderman Woodham, to adjourn the meeting at 7:43 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Maura Metcalf  
Deputy City Clerk