

## MONTICELLO CITY COUNCIL

August 10, 2015

Mayor Corrie led the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Present: Wendall Brock, Tom Reed, Larry Stoner, Joe Brown,  
John Miller, Cochran Keating, Lyle Murdock  
Absent: Seth Melton  
Also Present: Supt. Allsop, Mayor Corrie, Terry Summers, Callie  
McFarland, Maura Metcalf

### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

**Maureen Holtz** addressed the council in regards to the 50% increase of the WWTP that was given at the last council meeting. She let the citizens know that the large increase was not news to the city. Mrs. Holtz stated she attended a meeting on March 24, 2014 that she asked Engineer Kieser how confident was he in the 8.5 million dollar price for the WWTP. Kieser stated high confidence in the 8.5 million price. She concluded with the statement “taxpayers deserve better”.

**Kevin Osborne** addressed the council in reference to many things that involved Alderman Brown. He started out with the letter to the editor that Brown wrote that started with “Who is Lynn Simon?” Osborne states Alderman Brown uses faux humor to talk down his opponent. Ms. Simon was concerned about the WCIA interview that was the hot topic of the June 22<sup>nd</sup> council meeting. Mr. Osborne had some issues that led up to the WWTP interview by Brown. He had several documents that were handed out to the council and concluded he is researching some other subjects where public outcry just doesn’t match the facts.

**Steve Schreffler** had three subjects he wanted to speak about. 1.) the least expensive waste hauling at \$2.50 has stopped hauling 2.) Council was asked, what is the urgency to move forward on the WWTP, when I & I is still a problem, \$13 million won’t help the water problems 3.) Schreffler inquired how long is the city going to loan money on an outdoor recreation project and when will the city make the Recreation Foundation pay back the city

### CONSENT AGENDA:

- a) Claims Report – Claims dated July 28, 2015 through August 10, 2015
- b) Police Pension Fund Actuarial Valuation Report (January 1, 2015)
- c) Fire Reports – June 2015, July 2015
- d) Treasurer’s Report – June 30, 2015
- e) Meeting Minutes – Police Pension Board Meeting (April 22, 2015)
- f) Police Report – July 2015

A motion was made by Alderman Stoner and seconded by Alderman Murdock to approve the Consent Agenda items. A voice vote was taken and motion carried with all present voting yes.

MAYORS REPORT: NONE

OLD BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

**Ordinance 2015-32 Annual Downtown Celebration Libation Area**

This ordinance is identical to the ones in years past. The event is September 19, 2015. The area is the same as last year. A motion was made by Alderman Murdock and seconded by Alderman Keating to approve Ordinance 2015-32. A voice vote was taken and the motion carried with all present voting yes.

**Ordinance 2015-33 Minor Subdivision Final Plat, Re Plat of Lots 212 & 213 Jefferson Grove Subdivision**

This ordinance adjusts one property line to accommodate the architectural design and construction of a new house. A motion was made by Alderman Stoner and seconded by Alderman Keating to approve Ordinance 2015-33. A voice vote was taken and the motion carried with all present voting yes.

**Ordinance 2015-34 Flood Hazard Control Code Update**

This ordinance was originally adopted in 2011 (Ord 2011-21) but was not entered into the new code book. The new ordinance adjusts the term "Zoning Board of Appeals" to "Planning and Zoning Board" to update the existing code book. All other language is the same. A motion was made by Alderman Murdock and seconded by Alderman Reed to approve Ordinance 2015-34. A voice vote was taken and the motion carried with all present voting yes.

**Ordinance 2015-35 IDOT Jurisdictional Transfer of Bridge**

This ordinance is an agreement with IDOT transfers the jurisdiction of the Route 47 Bridge or IDOT #074-0019 to the City of Monticello in exchange for \$6,044,000 of Motor Fuel Tax funds. A motion was made by Alderman Brown and seconded by Alderman Keating to table Ordinance 2015-35. A motion was made by Alderman Brown and seconded by Alderman Keating to untable ordinance 2015-35. The council had some discussion as to what the money would be used on. Supt. Allsop and Terry Summers explained to the council that the funds could only be used on motor fuel tax projects. A motion was made by Alderman Brown and seconded by Alderman Keating to amend Ordinance 2015-35. The City Attorney interjected that this Ordinance could not be amended. It could be re-written. Supt. Allsop informed the council that this contract had already been approved by IDOT and if the city did not act it may be months before we could be in this position again. Some of the council member's main concern was to make sure the bridge is repaired before any of the funds are used on other projects. A motion was made by Alderman Brock and seconded by Alderman Murdock to approve Ordinance 2015-35. A voice vote was taken and the motion carried with all present voting yes.

ALDERMAN'S REPORT:

Alderman Brown informed the citizens he would be hosting a forum on August 20<sup>th</sup> at Livingston Center. He would also like to see the trash sticker portion amended to reinstate stickers. Alderman Brown asked for an update on the legal cases and inquired about the audit report.

Alderman Brock stated he would like the waste haulers to continue the sticker program.

**POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT:**

Chief Carter informed the council that the Police Dept. would have a representative at Livingston and State Streets during the Monticellabration to help with car seat installation. Chief Carter is still compiling information with Animal Control to help with city kennel fees.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:**

Supt. Allsop informed the council that the city tennis courts look great, the Turtle Creek project went very well and is complete, city now working on the frontage road by Rick Ridings, encouraged the council to drive over by Lincoln School and see the completed street project.

A motion was made by Alderman Brock and seconded by Alderman Murdock to adjourn the meeting at 8:01 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by:

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