

## **MONTICELLO CITY COUNCIL**

**July 8, 2019**

Mayor Stoner called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

Mayor Stoner led the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance, and Rodney Burris, with Open Hearts Foursquare Church, led the Council in prayer.

Roll Call was taken by Deputy City Clerk Maura Metcalf.

**ROLL CALL:** Present: Tammy Sebens, Jeremy Jones, John Frerichs, Rodney Burris, Tom Reed, Wendall Brock

Absent: Pam Harlan, Mike Koon

Also Present: Terry Summers, City Administrator; Jim Grabarczyk, Public Works Director; Chief John Carter, MPD.

### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

Tim Hayes, from the Monticello Recreation Foundation, provided information regarding the upcoming event at the Monticello Family Aquatic Center. They will be hosting a free community pool party on July 25<sup>th</sup> and selling ping pong race balls.

### **CONSENT AGENDA:**

- a) **Claims Report (claims dated June 25, 2019 through July 8, 2019)**
- b) **Meeting Minutes –City Council Meeting Minutes June 24, 2019**
- c) **Permit Report – June 2019**
- d) **Police Report – June 2019**

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

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

The following was reported by the Mayor:

\* New Businesses\*

Welcome to Jeff Zumwalt and Tasha Dunaway, to the downtown. They have purchased the former Christie Clinic space, and we look forward to seeing their new business announcement soon.

Also, a belated welcome to Josie Heck, owner of Yoga off the square, who has opened a permanent location at 208 W. Washington Street in downtown, after several years as a pop-up in the Community Building.

**\*Upcoming Events\***

-The Farmer's Market is Thursdays from 3:30 – 6:30pm on State and Livingston

- Monticello Movie Night presents “Indiana Jones & the Last Crusade” this Saturday in downtown Monticello. The Monticello Police Department will be selling concessions with proceeds to benefit the Shop with a Cop program, and the Monticello Recreation Foundation will be selling ping-pong race balls for their event July 25<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to the Monticello Recreation Foundation for sponsoring this event.

- The July Maker's Market will be this Sunday, 11am-4pm in Bear Park. There are plenty of talented local makers with their products for sale.

- The bid opening for Tract 8 remediation is next Wednesday morning – Staff will keep the council informed of the project as updates allow.

- The International Extreme Flight Championships is at Eli Field on Friday, July 19<sup>th</sup> through Saturday, July 20<sup>th</sup>.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

None

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**Mayoral Appointment – Planning & Zoning Board Vacancy:**

The Mayor informed the Council that he would like to appoint Elaine Yoon to fill the vacancy on the Planning & Zoning Board. He asked for a motion to approve his appointment. Alderman Brock made a motion to approve this appointment, and a second was made by Alderman Jones. The motion passed with all present voting yes.

**Recreational Cannabis Discussion Only**

Attorney Dan Bolin provided information to the council regarding the upcoming legislation regarding recreational cannabis changing on January 1, 2020. He indicated there were a few important things the city will have to address: How the city will regulate the cannabis businesses, updating the employment policy, and the police department will have to review previous

convictions to determine which will be expunged. There was discussion back and forth with the Alderman regarding the issues that could arise and whether they would want to control business. Attorney Bolin recommended passing a Moratorium, which would allow council time to review the issue further before making a decision. The Alderman agreed.

**ALDERMEN'S REPORT:**

The Aldermen and Alderwomen welcomed Elain Yoon to the Planning & Zoning Board. Alderman Burris recommended studying the new cannabis laws to make informed decisions moving forward.

**POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT:**

Chief Carter informed the council a new officer will be starting on July 22. He also reminded everyone to come to the movie on Saturday to purchase concession that will go towards Shop with a Cop.

**CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:**

Terry Summers also welcomed Elain Yoon to the Planning & Zoning Board. He reminded the Alderman the Public Hearing for the Business District is July 22 at 6:30. The demo started on 220 W. Washington Street, and there will be an item at the PZB meeting next Monday to rebuild at that location. It will be presented to council at the following meeting.

A motion was made by Alderman Brock, and seconded by Alderman Burris, to adjourn the meeting at 7:54pm.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Maura Metcalf  
Deputy City Clerk