

**MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 28, 2020
MONTEAGLE CITY COUNCIL**

**PRESENT: VICE MAYOR, TONY GILLIAM
 BECKY BYERS
 KENNETH GIPSON
 JESSICA BLALOCK**

ABSENT: MAYOR, DAVID SAMPLEY

The regular monthly meeting of the Monteagle City Council was called to order at 6:00 pm by Vice Mayor Tony Gilliam. Following the prayer and the pledge of allegiance a motion was made by Alderman Gipson to approve the minutes of August 31, 2020. Alderman Byers seconded the motion and it passed 4/0.

POLICE DEPARTMENT – Chief Jack Hill reported that Officer William Barker has left the department to accept another position. An ad has been run to find a replacement.

FIRE DEPARTMENT – NONE

911 – NONE

PARKS & REC.—Alderman Blalock reported that there will be a Halloween Parade on the 31st at noon.

UTLITY DEPARTMENT – NONE

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PLANNING COMMISSION – NONE

OLD BUSINESS

DISPATCHERS – There was discussion and Alderman Gipson made a motion to not send a letter to the 911 director and to leave the dispatch as is at the current time. Alderman Blalock seconded the motion and it passed 4/0.

NEW BUSINESS

POLICE TRAINING OFFICER – The police department would like to make Officer Justin Raby the new training officer and give him a pay increase of \$1.50 per hour. Alderman Blalock made a motion to give the raise to Mr. Raby. Alderman Gipson seconded the motion and it passed 4/0.

GENERATOR FOR POLICE DEPARTMENT – After discussion Alderman Blalock made a motion to purchase a generator for the police department not to exceed \$6000.00. Alderman Byers seconded the motion and it passed 4/0.

Vice Mayor Tony Gilliam reported that a road plan is in the works and 8th street will be the first one on the list.

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CITIZENS HEARING

Ms. Carol asked about the generator and where the money would come from to purchase it. This will come from their maintenance budget.

Mr. Dean Lay asked about the letter from MTAS and the Zoning issue. Ms. Sarah Willis the city attorney explained that she had not received anything in writing from MTAS or the cities Insurance company. Alderman Blalock made a motion that if the attorney has not heard anything in two weeks from MTAS or TML (Sept 15th) the board will call a special meeting which has to be posted for 14 days, and make a decision based on the opinion of the city attorney.

There was a question asked about the Planning Commission members and why Alderman Gipson was placed on that board.

A resident asked about heavy equipment at the proposed Petro site. As long as they are just moving dirt they are not in violation or any ordinances.

There was a question on the lights on the off ramps. Vice Mayor Gilliam reported that the materials have been ordered and we are waiting on them.

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COUNTRY MART – There are several businesses ready to open and are waiting for business permits.

Mr. Dean Lay asked about the open records law.

There being no other business the meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Vice Mayor, Tony Gilliam

Debbie Taylor, City Recorder