

**MINUTES
MONTEAGLE CITY COUNCIL
MARCH 29, 2011**

**PRESENT: MAYOR, MARILYN C. NIXON
LEX ORR
ALVIN POWELL
HARRY PARMLEY
RUSTY LEONARD**

The regular monthly meeting of the Monteagle City Council was called to order at 6:04 pm by Mayor Nixon.

Following the prayer and the pledge of allegiance, the minutes of the February 22, 2011 meeting were approved. Alderman Parmley made the motion to approve the minutes and Alderman Leonard made the second. The motion passed 5/0.

The mayor stated that all minutes can be found on the town's website.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

POLICE DEPARTMENT – Chief McNeece gave a report on the neighborhood watch program. The Marion County Sherriff's Department gave them information on identity theft. There was discussion on training, procedures, and damage to city property. Truck parking was also discussed.

FIRE DEPARTMENT – A copy of the report is attached. Chief Layne reported that maintenance has been completed on the trucks.

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He also reported that the oxygen bottles will be certified and maintenance will be done. There will be 40 tags on the board and this will help with the ISO rating. It will cost about \$100.00. Alderman Powell made a motion to approve this expenditure. Alderman Leonard seconded the motion and it passed 5/0. He informed the council that Jay Lankford is in fire fighters class and doing well.

PLANNING COMMISSION – NONE Their next meeting will be April 5, 2011 at 6:00 pm.

CODES – Copy attached

PARKS AND RECREATION – NONE

ALDERMAN – Alderman Powell reported that the ball field is being used more than it has been in a very long time.

SENIORS – Ms. Derryberry is working on the 60 plus program. She will have a report next month.

MOUNTAIN GOAT TRAIL – Mr. Nate Wilson reported that they are waiting for TDOT to put them on the docket. They are working on agreements with land owners. He will be giving monthly reports in the future.

MAYOR – The mayor reported that the audit is finished and Mr. Jobe will be scheduling a meeting with the state comptroller. Copies of the audit are available at city hall and on the website. Mr. Ron Darden

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from MTAS will be working with the city to update all ordinances, resolutions and policies. The city recorder is at TAMCAR training. We are working on getting things in order. The policy on new businesses and homes is that they get one tile, after that they take care of their own needs on their side of their property. The trees on Catherine Street were in the right-of-way, not on private property. We are working on a complaint form where we will put all requests in order of priority. The mayor would like to take care of the residents of Monteagle and make things better. The mayor is working on a resolve for Laurel Lake road, as the new paving is not up to par. She will schedule a meeting with the contractor. We now have a Spec Book that will be used for roads. Mr. Hargis is working on the Grundy County side. Wrens Nest road will be the next one that will receive work. Mr. Cantrell and Alderman Parmley will be looking at roads to see which ones will need the most work. We will be meeting with TDOT about the lanes in town. We should know something by this Friday.

UTILITY – Mr. Gilliam and Mr. Cantrell have checked the trees at Mr. Rollins property and they are in the right-of-way. They will be taken care of. Mr. Gilliam reported that the sewer project is progressing. Mr. Pelham reported on the sewer project as well.

CITIZENS HEARING – Mr. Rollins has a problem with the trees and a drainage problem. We will remove the trees which will help with the drainage. Mr. Cantrell will take care of the trees. Mr. Nixon thanked the council for taking out the trees by CVS.

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OLD BUSINESS

REFUNDING RESOLUTIONS – The council passed all three resolutions to refinance several existing loans Ms. Sturtevant stated that the one for the Post Office should not be included as she felt there were stipulations in the lease that would disallow the refinancing. Alderman Parmley made a motion to rescind all the motions on the refinancing. Alderman Leonard seconded the motion and it passed 5/0. The city attorney and MTAS will be asked to review wording in the lease and make recommendations to the Mayor and board of Alderman.

MOWING CONTRACT – Alderman Parmley made a motion to post a notice to take bids on the mowing. A list of areas and dates to mow will be drawn up for the contract. Alderman Powell seconded the motion and it passed 4/1 with Alderman Orr voting no.

THUNDER ON THE ROCK – Alderman Parmley made a motion to have the ride through town. They will use the city's tent at no charge, and we will find a site for a vendor booth for Thunder on the Rock only. No food booths will be allowed. Alderman Leonard seconded the motion and it passed 4/1 with Alderman Orr voting no.

POLICY CHANGES – There are three policies, Payment of Accounts policy, Certification of training policy and complaint

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policy. Alderman Powell made a motion to accept all three policies. Alderman Parmley seconded the motion and it passed 5/0.

CALENDAR -- The Budget workshop April 12, 2011 5:30 pm

Wilcohes/Wendys will use city hall April 4th, 5th, and 6th.

Planning Commission Meeting April 5th, 6:00pm

We will be in Nashville to accept award April 20th & 21st

Mr. Barry Rollins with Citizens State Bank and Mr. Scott Parish with MSSA stated that they would be at the planning commission meeting and would like to start construction of the new bank around June 1st, 2011.

Alderman Parmley made a motion to adjourn. Alderman Leonard seconded the motion and it passed 5/0.

Respectfully Submitted,


Mayor, Marilyn C. Nixon

City Recorder not Present