MINUTES MONTEAGLE CITY COUNCIL OCTOBER 26, 2010

PRESENT:

Mayor, Marilyn Campbell Nixon

Lex Orr

Alvin Powell Rusty Leonard Harry Parmley

The monthly meeting of the Monteagle City Council was called to order at 6:02 pm, by Mayor Nixon. Jay Lankford said the prayer and David Meeks lead the Pledge of allegiance.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES – Alderman Orr made a motion to approve the minutes of September 14, 2010 and the beer board meeting, September 28, 2010 public hearing and regular meeting, special meeting October 8, 2010 and special meeting October 13, 2010. Alderman Leonard seconded the motion. There was a roll call vote and the motion passed 5/0.

POLICE DEPARTMENT – Chief McNeece gave his report and he introduced his new police officer, Jack Hill.

FIRE DEPARTMENT – Chief Layne gave his report. He discussed one of the trucks, training and fire hydrants. The Assistant Chief resigned and Jay Lankford will take his place.

PLANNING COMMISSION – The planning commission members attended training this month.

MAYOR – The mayor reported that the city attorney is reviewing the Gifford case and the letter from Betty Sue Thomas. Marion County has been notified of the need for the flashing school zone sign. We should get a new dumpster from Grundy County and a compactor from Marion County.

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ALDERMEN - Alderman Parmley made a motion to take the Planning Commission's recommendation as before and move the sewer lines for Mr. Gifford. Alderman Powell seconded the motion. There was a roll call vote with Alderman Parmley and Alderman Powell voting yes and Alderman Leonard and Alderman Orr voting no and Mayor Nixon passing. The motion failed.

UTILITY – Kevin Gilliam, Utility Director, gave his report on the sewer project. He asked the council to authorize Darrell Smith and Brian Rose to attend cram sessions. Alderman Leonard made a motion to authorize both employees to attend the sessions. Alderman Orr seconded the motion and it passed 5/0. He also asked that he and JoAnn Sargent be able to attend training with United Systems. Alderman Parmley made a motion to approve this training. Alderman Leonard seconded the motion and it passed 5/0 on a roll call vote.

CODES ENFORCEMENT – The mayor read the building inspectors report. They will have the check list at the next meeting.

PARKS & RECREATION – Alderman Powell reported on the ball tournament and the mayor reported that the city had received a Parks & Rec Grant for \$20,000.

ROADS – The work on Laurel Lake road has been done and the other roads will be looked at in the near future.

SENIORS – The back room at the community center has been cleaned out and cable has been installed for the seniors.

CITIZEN HEARING – Terry Dunn, Pastor of the Baptist church on King Street, asked about the church sign. The mayor will check with the city employees about the sign. Charles Rollins asked about rumors of changing Main Street to two lanes. The mayor addressed this issue, the town is working on a Corridor Plan and she

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addressed safety issues. There will also be a Town Hall meeting on November 11^{th} . The new owner of the Regency Inn wanted the council to know that he is going to improve the hotel.

The mayor stated that she had talked to Donna Parker and she will get back with the council about naming the Annex building.

OLD BUSINESS

BUDGET 2010-2011 – Alderman Orr gave a report on the budget. He made a motion to pass the budget on second reading. Alderman Leonard seconded the motion and it passed on roll call vote 5/0.

SITE PLAN REQUIREMENT ORDINANCE – The mayor read the ordinance. Alderman Parmley made the motion to pass this ordinance on first reading. Alderman Orr seconded the motion. It passed on a roll call vote 5/0.

NEW BUSINESS

POLICE CAR LEASE - Alderman Orr gave a report and explained the lease program for police cars. Alderman Parmley made the motion to lease two cars for three years at \$20,185.64 and in three years we will do another lease. Alderman Leonard seconded the motion and it passed on a roll call vote 5/0.

USE OF THE CONFERENCE ROOM AT THE ANNEX - There was discussion on the use of the conference room at the annex building for non-profit organizations. The building will be used free of charge on a case by case basis.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY – Mr. Oliver Jervis was present and gave the council a history of the committee and what they do. He asked for a donation for the society.

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Alderman Parmley made a motion to give them \$200.00. Alderman Orr seconded the motion and it passed 5/0.

BUSINESS LICENSE APPLICATIONS – There were four new business license applications, Regency Inn, Monteagle Center, Monteagle Truck Center, and Ace 24hr Road Side Service. Alderman Leonard made the motion to approve the license for Regency Inn. Alderman Orr seconded the motion and it passed 5/0. Alderman Orr made the motion to approve the license for Ace 24Hr Road Side Service and Monteagle Truck Center. Alderman Leonard seconded the motion and it passed 5/0. Alderman Orr made the motion to approve the license for Monteagle Center. Alderman Powell seconded the motion and it passed 5/0.

ORDINANCE 10-29 - Alderman Orr read the ordinance relating to easements for the town for water and sewer mains. Alderman Orr made the motion to pass this ordinance on first reading. Alderman Leonard seconded the motion and it passed 5/0.

THANKSGIVING - There was discussion on what we will do for Thanksgiving. Alderman Parmley made a motion to have the same days off as before, which is close at noon on Wednesday, closed on Thanksgiving day and closed on Friday after Thanksgiving. They will also give employees a \$25 gift card to Piggly Wiggly for a turkey or ham. Alderman Powell seconded the motion and it passed 5/0.

CHRISTMAS LIGHTS – There was discussion on commercial lights, trimming trees and the bucket truck. Alderman Parmley made a motion to check on renting a bucket truck, trim the trees and to buy the commercial lights. Alderman Powell seconded the motion and on roll call vote it passed 4/1 with Alderman Orr voting no.

The mayor stated that the library had been closed and she will check on this.

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With no other business Alderman Parmley made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Alderman Powell seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mayor, Marilyn C. Nixon

Debbie Taylor, City Recorder