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JULY 29, 2019  
MONTEAGLE CITY COUNCIL**

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

**The regular monthly meeting of the Monteagle City Council was called to order at 6:00 pm by Mayor David Sampley. Following the prayer and the pledge of allegiance a motion was made by Vice Mayor Gilliam to approve the minutes of June 24, 2019 and the beer board minutes of June 24, 2019. Alderman Gipson seconded the motion and it passed 4/0 with the mayor not voting.**

**POLICE DEPARTMENT – Acting Chief Jack Hill gave the report. As it stands we have the Chief and two officers gone.**

**FIRE DEPARTMENT – Chief Mike Holmes gave his report. Engine 1 and Engine 2 passed the annual pump test and are certified for the next year. Several of the fire fighters have completed the annual EVOC training.**

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**911 -- Director Wanda McDaniel reported that the new  
cade system is in and all is well.**

**PARKS & REC. – Alderman Blalock reported that the  
Mountain Market and the city wide yard sale went very well.**

**UTILITY – Mr. John Condra reported that we are working  
on the Marshall Graves project.**

**PLANNING COMMISSION – Mr. Carter Underhill reported  
that they looked at plats for Century 21 and for the new Fire  
Hall.**

**CODES ENFORCEMENT – Mr. John Knost reported that all  
is good and he is working on several issues with the city  
attorney. Alderman Blalock asked about a dog on Laurel Lake  
Drive.**

**ALDERMAN – Vice Mayor Gilliam discussed that there is  
no easement to the landing pad and the Fire Department  
building will be here July 31<sup>st</sup>.**

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**BUSINESS PERMIT – Mr. Rusty Leonard requested a business permit for his office. Vice Mayor Gilliam made a motion to approve this business permit. Alderman Byers seconded the motion and it passed 4/0 with the mayor not voting.**

**BIDS FOR THREE UTILITY TRUCKS – The utility is in need of three new trucks 2 short beds and 1 long bed. There were four sealed bids: Stan McNabb at 29,661.00 each for Dodge Ram 2019, Moss Motors 2020 Ford F150 long bed 25,161.40 and 2 short beds at 24,812.40 each, Al White Motors Ford F150 2020 long bed 23,138.00 2 short beds at 22,874.00 each, and Russell Barnett Ford F150 2019 long bed 26,604.50 and 2 short beds at 26,808.50 each. After discussion Alderman Gipson made a motion to accept the bid from Al White Motors. Vice Mayor Gilliam seconded the motion and it passed 4/0 with the mayor not voting.**

**LAWSON FAMILY – There was discussion that the Lawson property is land locked and they would like the city to help fix the road. Their family gave the property to the city for Laurel Lake years ago and the council feels that they can help put**

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**surge rock, culverts and cut trees in order for them to be able to get to their property behind the lake. This will be a private drive and the city will not be responsible for maintenance after the road is built.**

**Vice Mayor Gilliam reported that the council is looking at putting an emergency road in from Laurel Lake to Wells Road.**

**CITIZENS**

**Ms. Carol asked about getting a copy of the budget, about the Marshall Graves project and about hiring female officers.**

**Ms. Doris Wiggins asked several questions about the Police Chief and there was lots of discussion.**

**There being no other business the meeting adjourned at 6:55 pm.**

**Respectfully Submitted,**

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**Mayor, David Sampley**

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**City Recorder, Debbie Taylor**