

**MINUTES
MONTEAGLE CITY COUNCIL
JULY 31, 2017**

**PRESENT: MAYOR, DAVID SAMPLEY
 JESSICA BLALOCK
 KENNETH GIPSON
 CHRIS LADD**

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 Alderman Blalock to approve the minutes of June 26, 2017. Alderman Gipson seconded the motion and it passed 3/1.

POLICE DEPARTMENT – Report is attached. The new vehicles are being equipped and will be ready soon. All new cars will have AED's in them. The Chief reported that most all public buildings should have an AED in it. There was an outburst by Mr. John Knost. Mr. Harvey Cameron, City Attorney stated if he has a problem he needs to file a suit.

FIRE DEPARTMENT – Report is attached. The Chief reported that the truck is still in the shop and they have moved to the rental building. The State came and did an inspection of the old building. Chief Holmes would like to have a committee to design the new fire hall. Alderman Ladd has talked to someone who may be able to help. The fire department would like to have 5 new pagers at \$1989.00. Mayor Sampley stated that the department head is in charge of their budget and can buy until the funds are gone. Alderman Blalock made a

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motion to approve the 5 pagers. Alderman Ladd seconded the motion and it passed 4/0. We are waiting for the results of the ISO report.

UTILITY – Mr. John Condra will be meeting with three construction companies about replacing the transite line. The tractor is back but not working, he is working on that issue. The sludge press is at the sewer plant and will be finished this week. Alderman Gipson asked about the water line on the highway and that project is all going to change because of a subdivision that is in the planning stages.

CODES ENFORCEMENT – Mr. Earl Geary reported he had sent out several property maintenance letters. Mrs. Kim Rose was present to review her letter. She stated that she and her son have been working on getting her mother’s house cleaned up for several months. She asked why others on her street have not gotten sited for the same problem. Mr. Geary would like the board to consider taking him off the property maintenance and the signs.

SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE 17-04 – An ordinance amending the zoning ordinance with regards to telecommunication facilities and uses. Alderman Blalock made a motion to approve this ordinance on second reading. Alderman Ladd seconded the motion and it passed 4/0.

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SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE 17-05 – Budget ordinance amendment for fiscal year 2016-2017. Mr. Mark Allen CPA was present and answered questions. Alderman Blalock made a motion to pass this ordinance on second reading. Alderman Ladd seconded the motion and it passed 4/0.

PARKS & REC – Alderman Blalock reported that the July 4th events, Cruise In and movie in the park and yard sale all went very well.

SENIORS/YOUTH – Mayor Sampley reported that Lowes will have the repairs done at the community center in a few weeks.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE 17-06 – An ordinance amending Chapter 3, section 13-301. Junkyards in the municipal code. Mr. Harvey Cameron, City Attorney was present to explain the ordinance and answer questions. There was discussion on the time frame to have the fence installed and he stated that there is no grandfathering. Alderman Blalock made a motion to approve the ordinance on first reading to include that the start date will be 30 days and they will have 60 days to complete. Alderman Gipson seconded the motion and it passed 4/0.

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FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE 17-07 – An ordinance to change the terms of the board of Mayor and Alderman to Two-Year terms. Alderman Gipson made a motion to approve this ordinance on first reading. Alderman Blalock seconded the motion and it passed 4/0.

BUSINESS PERMIT – Mr. Rich Wyckoff was present for Ms. Lethia Watson for the Gallery. Alderman Blalock made a motion to approve the permit for the Gallery. Alderman Ladd seconded the motion and it passed 4/0.

CITIZENS HEARING

Mrs. Kraft and her daughter Carol asked what is Brandi Hargis's job. Chief McNeece responded with her duties and in the new budget she is a full-time employee at the Police Department.

ALDERMAN

Alderman Chris Ladd made a motion to appoint Ms. Anna Zeman to the vacant seat on the City Council. Alderman Blalock seconded the motion and it passed 3/1.

There being no other business the meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mayor, David Sampley

City Recorder, Debbie Taylor