

**MINUTES
MONTEAGLE CITY COUNCIL
NOVEMBER 28, 2016**

**PRESENT: MAYOR, DAVID SAMPLEY
 JESSICA BLALOCK
 KENNETH GIPSON
 DELORES KNOTT
 RUSTY LEONARD**

The regular monthly meeting of the Monteagle City Council was called to order at 6:00 pm by Mayor Sampley. Following the prayer and the pledge of allegiance there was an introduction of the new council members. Mayor, David Sampley, Alderman Jessica Blalock and Alderman Kenneth Gipson. There were not enough members from the old council to approve present therefore the minutes of October 24, 2016 were tabled.

POLICE DEPARTMENT – Chief McNeece was present and would like to table the Inter-local cooperation agreement to give the new council time to review it. Chief McNeece made a recommendation to the council to hire Ms. Dianne Campbell as Court Clerk. Alderman Leonard made a motion to hire Ms. Campbell. Alderman Gipson seconded the motion and it passed 5/0. He made a recommendation to hire Mr. William Barker as a part-time officer. Alderman Gipson made a motion to hire Mr. Barker. Alderman Knott seconded the motion and it passed 5/0. He made a recommendation to hire Mr. David Meeks as school crossing guard at \$150.00 per week. Alderman

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Gipson made a motion to hire Mr. Meeks at a flat rate of \$150.00 per week. Alderman Knott seconded the motion and it passed 5/0.

FIRE DEPARTMENT -- Chief Mike Holmes was present and a copy of his report is attached. There was discussion on the grant that Mr. Holmes is working on. He would like to change the amount and apply for two trucks. This will change the amount to \$ 775,000 and the amount the city will have to match is \$ 38,750. Alderman made a motion to change the amounts. Alderman Knott seconded the motion and it passed 5/0. There was discussion on what is in the city at Deepwoods. Alderman Leonard will get a map. There was discussion on automatic aid from Tracy City. Alderman Leonard made a motion to revisit the contract for automatic aid with Tracy City. Alderman Gipson seconded the motion and it passed 5/0. There was also discussion on fire hydrants.

911—Ms. Wanda McDaniel was present and stated that they may be moved into the new building by the end of December. She also discussed sending employees to school.

UTILITY—Mr. John Condra was present and discussed the water problems and the sludge problems. He discussed getting a permit to use the water from the sewer plant. Alderman Leonard made a motion to pursue getting the permits needed to use the water from

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the sewer plant. Alderman Gipson seconded the motion and it passed 5/0.

CODES ENFORCEMENT – Mr. Earl Geary stated he could ask Mr. Michael Frixen for a small copy of a map of the Deepwoods area. Mr. Geary stated that he takes complaints and deals with them on a case by case basis he does not go looking for problems.

PEARL'S BUSINESS PERMIT – Alderman Leonard made a motion to approve the business permit for this business. Alderman Blalock seconded the motion and it passed 5/0.

MARGARITA'S MEXICAN RESTAURANT – Mr. Geary would like to give them their permit with the agreement that they will get their final inspection. Alderman Gipson made a motion to approve this business permit. Alderman Blalock seconded the motion and it passed 5/0.

PARKS & REC.—Alderman Knott made a motion to appoint Alderman Blalock to be in charge of Parks & recreation. Alderman Gipson seconded the motion and it passed 5/0. The Christmas parade was discussed.

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FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE 21-16 -- Alderman Leonard made a motion to approve this ordinance on first reading. Alderman Blalock seconded the motion and it passed 5/0.

AUTHORIZATION FOR BANK SIGNATURES -- Alderman Leonard made a motion for all council members to be authorized to sign checks at Mountain Valley Bank and Citizens Tri-County Bank. Alderman Gipson seconded the motion and it passed 5/0.

CANCELATION OF THE GFOA AWARD – Alderman Gipson made a motion to not apply for the GFOA award in the future. Alderman Blalock seconded the motion and it passed 5/0.

CANCELATION OF WORKSHOP BEFORE THE COUNCIL MEETINGS – There was discussion and Alderman Knott made a motion not to have workshops before the council meetings. Alderman Blalock seconded the motion and it passed 4/1 with Alderman Leonard voting no.

FUELMAN – There was discussion on buying gas at all stations in town. With Fuelman there is no annual fee and we get 5 cents off per gallon. Alderman Knott made a motion to change to Fuelman. Alderman Blalock seconded the motion and it passed 5/0.

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CANCELATION OF THE DECEMBER MEETING – Alderman Gipson made a motion to cancel the December meeting. Alderman Knott seconded the motion and it passed 5/0.

CITIZENS -- Mr. Charles Rollins asked about the streets that were paved and about the street signs that were misspelled.

There being no other business the meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mayor, David Sampley

City Recorder, Debbie Taylor