MINUTES SPECIAL MEETING JULY 18, 2022 4:45

PRESENT:

MAYOR MARILYN RODMAN

NATE WILSON

DORRAINE PARMLEY
JESSICA FAVALORO

ALVIN POWELL

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss Resolution 02-22 to support and commit to apply for a multimodal access grant. The amount of the grant is \$1,187,500.00 with the town providing a match of \$62,500.00. This will be for sidewalks, lighting and crosswalks. After discussion Alderman Favaloro made a motion to approve Resolution 02-22. Alderman Parmley seconded the motion and on roll call vote it passed 5/0.

There being no other business the meeting adjourned at 4:55 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mayor, Marilyn Ródman

City Recorder, Debbie Taylor

RESOLUTION NO. 02-22

A RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT AND COMMITTMENT FOR THE TOWN OF MONTEAGLE TO APPLY FOR A MULTIMODAL ACCESS GRANT

WHEREAS, the Town Council of Monteagle, Tennessee desires to expand multimodal transportation opportunities available for the citizens of the community and surrounding area; and

WHEREAS, the development of multimodal transportation options is a vital element in the community health and welfare for the citizens of Town of Monteagle and expansion of the city's economic development potential; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Monteagle is eligible to apply for a Multimodal Access Grant from the Tennessee Department of Transportation for 95% of the costs in constructing sidewalks, crosswalks, and pedestrian improvements on W. Main Street (State Route 002); and

WHEREAS, the Multimodal Access Grant program requires local governments provide a 5% cash match and take on all future maintenance responsibility once the project is completed; and

WHEREAS, the maximum grant amount is \$1,187,500, requiring the town of Monteagle to provide cash match or up to \$62,500;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Monteagle Town Council hereby authorizes the mayor to submit an application for a Multimodal Grant request for the Monteagle Corridor Sidewalk Improvements Project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Monteagle Town Council agrees to provide the matching funds through a cash match.

Duly passed and adopted 18 day of July 2022.

Marin Compall Zedow

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Project Information

Project Route/Termini:

Provide the project route and termini. The project location should run from west to east or south to north and must include local/state/federal road names. You must include a color-coded map that clearly delineates the project (with road names, a north arrow and the project location highlighted) and any photographs, plans, drawings and applicable preliminary sketches. Please provide a photograph of each of the termini.

SR 2/Laurel Lake Drive running east until Monteagle Ball Park entrance

Project Description

Provide the project title, project description, and the scope of all work to be performed.

The project will initiate at the intersection of US 41 and Laurel Lake Drive and terminate at the entrance to the Monteagle Ball Park at 313 Dixie Lee Avenue.

From the Laurel Lake Drive intersection, the project:

- Replaces non-ADA compliant and damaged sidewalk
- · Replaces damaged and/or sidewalk adjacent curb and gutter
- Replaces the pavement adjacent to the existing curb and gutter which is damaged and has been overlaid to the point where the pavement is flush with the top of the existing curb; thus, reestablishing the proper cross section and drainage profile
- Upgrades the mid-block school crossing on US 41 at the Monteagle Elementary School with signalization and new state of the art crosswalk pavement makings
- Upgrades pedestrian crossing at the US 41 and Fairmount Avenue with signalization and new state of the art crosswalk pavement makings
- Installs new state of the art crosswalk pavement makings at the intersections of Mabree Avenue and Dixie
 Lee Avenue and Dubose Street and Dixie Lee Avenue
- Installs new ADA compliant sidewalk from the intersection Dubose Street and Dixie Lee Avenue to the entrance of the Monteagle Ball Park at 313 Dixie Lee Avenue

Attach map(s) here:

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Attach photo(s) and/or artist rendering(s) here:

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Project Eligibility

Please select only those eligibilities that apply. Please Refer to TDOT's <u>Multimodal Project Scoping Manual</u> and <u>Multimodal Design Guidelines</u> for guidance regarding facility type and minimum design requirements. Projects must be located along a State Route.

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[] Sidewalks

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[🗸]	Pedestrian crossing improvements
[]	Bicycle facilities
[]	Multi-use path within the transportation corridor. Minimum 10 feet wide
[]	Transit stop amenities
[]	Complete streets, road diet, or traffic calming measures
[🗸]	Accessibility improvements that address requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act
[]	Pedestrian-scale lighting
[]	Other (Please explain):

Purpose and Need

Safety:

Provide any crash history and a brief description of how the proposed project will improve safety for pedestrians, cyclists, transit users, and other transportation users.

Monteagle has become a heavily trafficked area due to developments such as truck stops, new subdivision communities, the elementary school, hotels, and Sewanee, a nearby university. The project is along State Route 2, a busy state highway carrying cars and heavy truck traffic which connects two exits within the center of the Town of Monteagle.

The current sidewalk along Monteagle's central commercial corridor is damaged and sloped, with minimal barrier between vehicular traffic, pedestrians, and cyclists. They are not up to ADA standards, and most of the existing crosswalks are faded with limited visibility and no signalization. Pedestrians and bicyclists undertake a safety risk by using damaged sidewalks, unprotected bicycle lanes, and crossing heavily trafficked aisles on State Route 2 without proper pedestrian signalization. The public has stated the need for safer, walkable sidewalks and updated crosswalks during recent town hall meetings. Making Monteagle safe for pedestrians and bicyclists is crucial as Monteagle rebrands itself as a walkable/livable community in its upcoming Comprehensive Master Plan.

ADA compliant sidewalks will ensure everyone has a form of travel throughout the up and coming Downtown Corridor of Monteagle. Additionally, a priority of this project is to provide pedestrian signalization for the crosswalk in front of Monteagle Elementary School for students during the school year. This project will also fill a gap in sidewalk connection between the baseball field and the central downtown corridor. Exit 135 is locally known as the "truck stop" exit so there is a particular need for pedestrian safety elements to connect that part of town with the downtown corridor.

Connectivity:

Provide a brief description of how the proposed project will increase connectivity among a mixture of land uses and activity centers such as transit, residential neighborhoods, low-income housing, medical facilities, schools, retail, parks, employment centers, etc. Proposals that will expand and create new network connectivity will

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generally rank higher than proposals that do not include these aspects, such as rehabilitation-only proposals.

The Monteagle Central Corridor Sidewalk Project is an extension of the 2018 Multimodal Access Grant application. This project hopes to expand the connectivity beyond the Monteagle Connector by repairing sidewalks on the southern end of Highway 41/State Route 2 in the central downtown corridor and constructing new sidewalk across the street from Town Hall all the way down to the baseball field entrance. Expanding the sidewalk connection would create a sidewalk network throughout the entire downtown corridor area. State Route 2 provides access to a wide range of local amenities that are crucial to Monteagle's livability and community connectivity. In combination with the 2018 multi-modal grant, pedestrians will be able to walk along the 1.25 mile corridor, which connects many local businesses, restaurants, the local grocery store, town hall, library, banks, parks, and churches. Currently, the route is mostly auto-dependent but with new residential and hotel developments popping up near the downtown corridor, there is great potential for Monteagle to rebrand itself as an easily walkable community.

Monteagle is already known for its impressive greenway system connecting the surrounding three Counties (the Mountain Goat Trail) and the existing damaged sidewalks are being used by community members. This proposed project would provide connectivity from the existing Mountain Goat Trail greenway system to Downtown Monteagle bringing in foot and bike traffic to local businesses. As Monteagle continues to develop commercially and grow in population, it's important that this project is established so Monteagle can ensure the safety and connectivity for those who use the existing and future multimodal systems.

Local Priority:

Is this project identified in state and/or local plans (including, but not limited to, Bicycle and Pedestrian N	Naster
Plan, Long Range Transportation Plan, Corridor Study, etc.)?	

(✓) Yes () No

If yes, please list the name of plan(s) and upload relevant pages.

Name of Plan

Upload

Monteagle Corridor Plan

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Has your municipality completed all requirements for ADA compliance?

If a municipality is unsure of its ADA program status, please visit https://www.tn.gov/tdot/government/g/ada-office0/local-agency-ada-self-evaluation--transition-plean--and-self-certification-status.html. Email TDOT.ADA@TN.gov with questions or to provide them with an updated status.

() Yes () No (✓) Not Applicable

Does your municipality have a Private/Public Sidewalk Installation Program, New Development Sidewalk standard, Annual budgeted Sidewalk Project List or Complete Streets Ordinance?

Multimodal Application 2022	
Organization: Monteagle Project Information	MMAG-2022-Monteagle-00022
() Yes (✔) No	
If yes, upload relevant pages or document below.	
Has there been any public involvement meetings regarding this project? (✔) Yes () No	
If yes, please provide a brief explanation. Monteagle has been in the process of hosting "town hall" public input meetings to develop upcoming comprehensive plan update. One of the recurring comments that has come up of been to create a more walkable downtown corridor area with pedestrian friendly sidewalks connectivity between businesses in the main "village" (downtown) corridor. This project wo achieving that community need.	during meetings has and more
Attach supporting documentation (i.e., meeting minutes) here: https://tdot.intelligrants.com/_Upload/13466_1144972-PublicCommentThemes2.15.22Tow pdf	nHallMeetingNotes.
Project Readiness:	
Has any level of environmental or preliminary engineering work been completed? () Yes (✓) No	
Will this project include any ROW acquisition? () Yes (✓) No	
Do you foresee any potential environmental impact commitments for this project? () Yes (✓) No	
Does the project include a pedestrian/bike bridge or tunnel or impact an existing TDOT stri () Yes (✔) No	ucture?
Will any part of the project impact a rail line? () Yes (✔) No	

If potential challenges to project readiness have been identified, please describe proposed mitigation

Will the project move any utilities? If yes, identify all relevant types of utilities to be moved:

N/A

If the applicant has received a Multimodal Access, Transportation Alternatives Program, or Congestion

strategies.

() Yes (✔) No

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Mitigation and Air Quality grant since 2014, please describe the status of the awarded project.

Monteagle is currently in the process of awaiting the previously awarded Multi-modal Access Grant contract with TDOT. Monteagle Town Council will be ready to execute the grant contract with TDOT on July 25th, 2022.

Economic Impact:

How will this project aid economic development in the community or serve economically disadvantaged populations?

The Monteagle Central Corridor Sidewalk Project serves an economically disadvantaged population. According to the EPA's Environmental Justice Screening Tool, Monteagle is in the 92th percentile statewide for low-income, with 65% of its population being considered "low-income." Monteagle is also in the 96th percentile for population over 64 years of age, with 36% being older than 64 years old.

This project will aid economic development by increasing the number of visitors who will choose the area for walking, cycling, and tourism. The project will ensure connectivity between businesses, restaurants, and parks in Monteagle by providing a walkable network within the Town of Monteagle. Monteagle is currently known as the "Gateway to the Cumberland Plateau" and has many outdoor amenities, music, and other tourist attractions nearby, such as Tiny Home Resorts and the Caverns, an underground concert venue.

The Monteagle Central Corridor Sidewalk Project, along with the Mountain Goat Trail and 2018 Multi-Modal Monteagle Connector project, will connect the tri-county area (Grundy, Marion, and Franklin Counties) with even more possibilities for recreational and utilitarian cycling and walking, and enhanced cycling tourism. As the number of tourists and new residents increase in the area, it will be crucial to improve and highlight the walkability of Monteagle's downtown corridor.

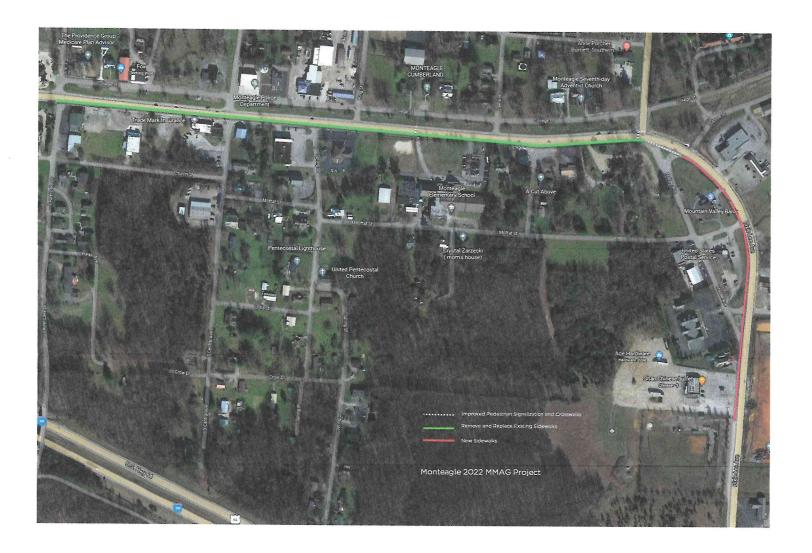
Applicants are required to include local letters of support with their project application.

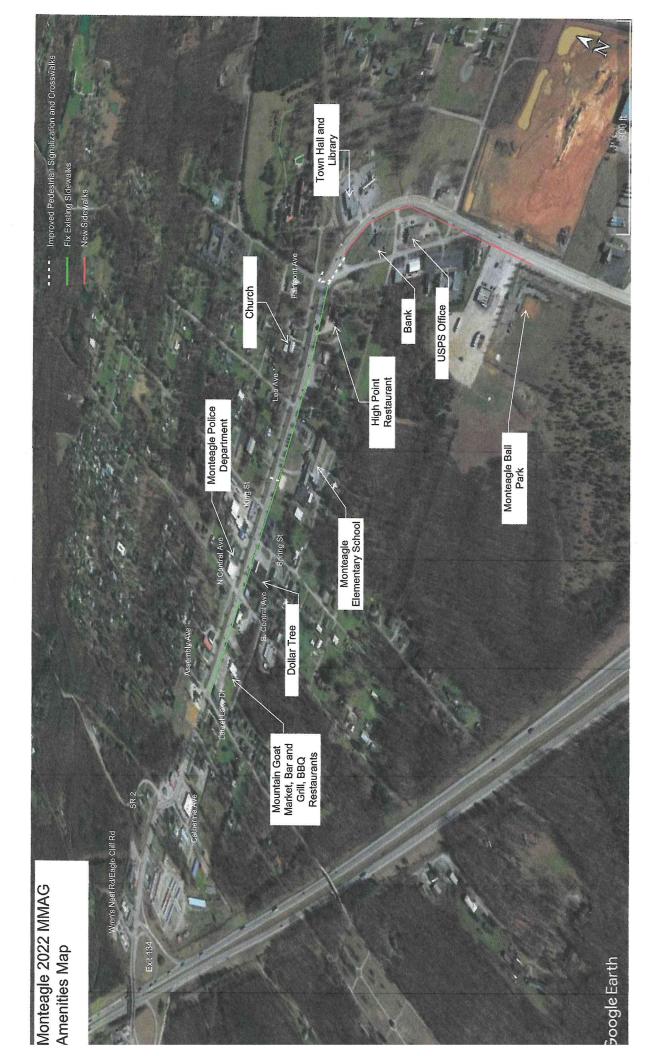
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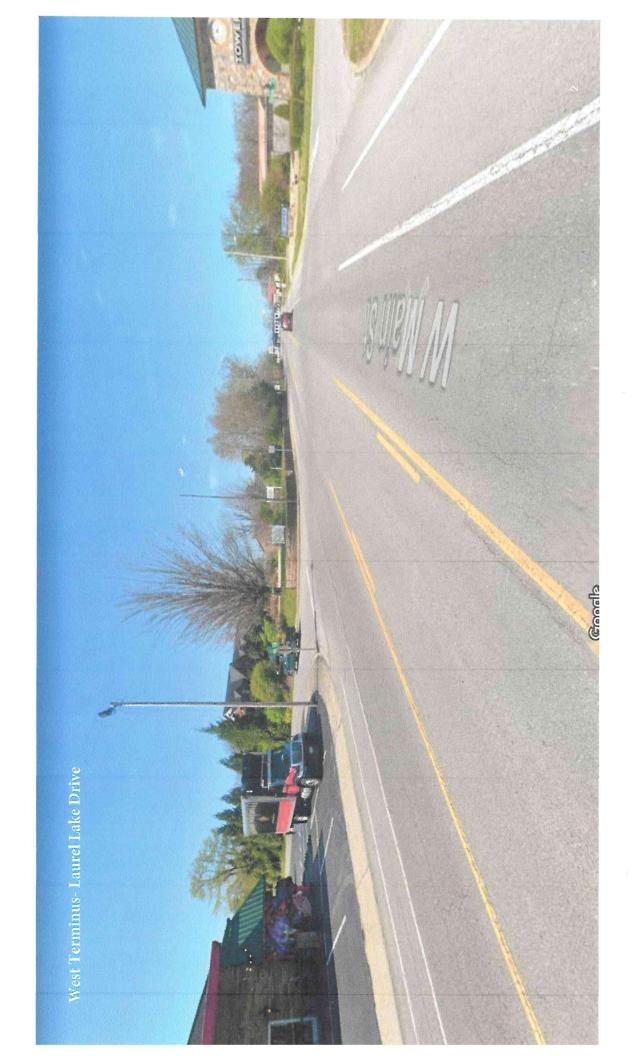
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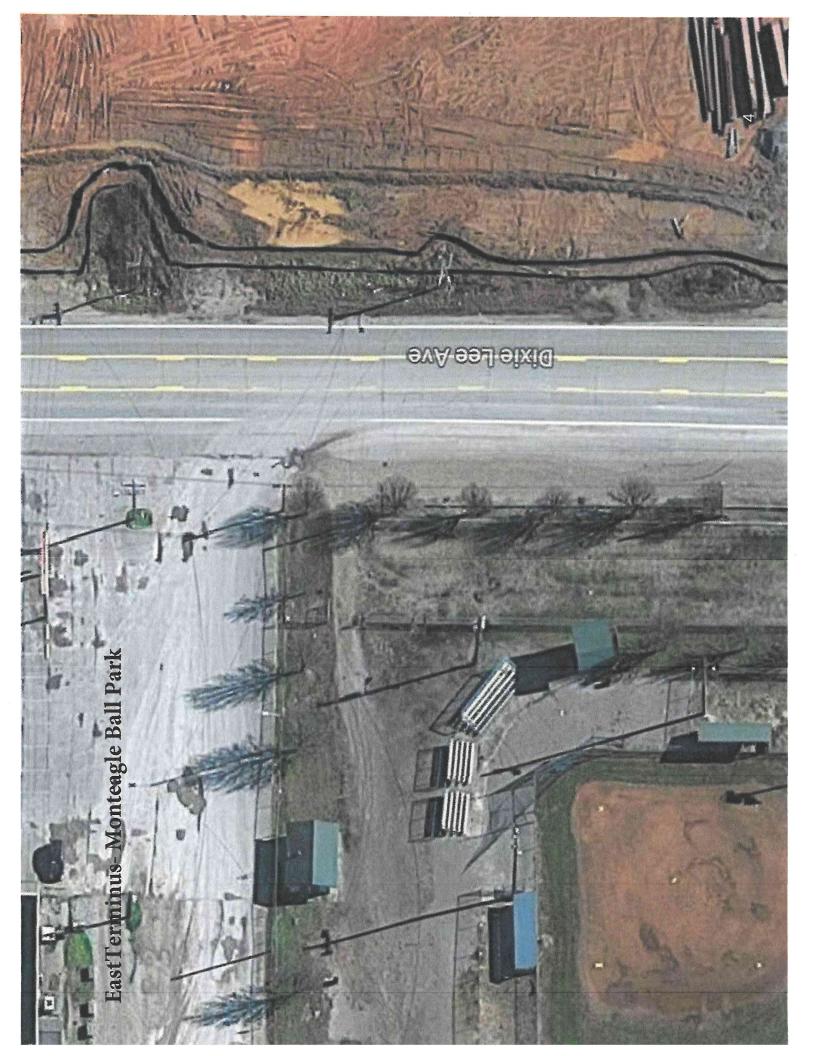


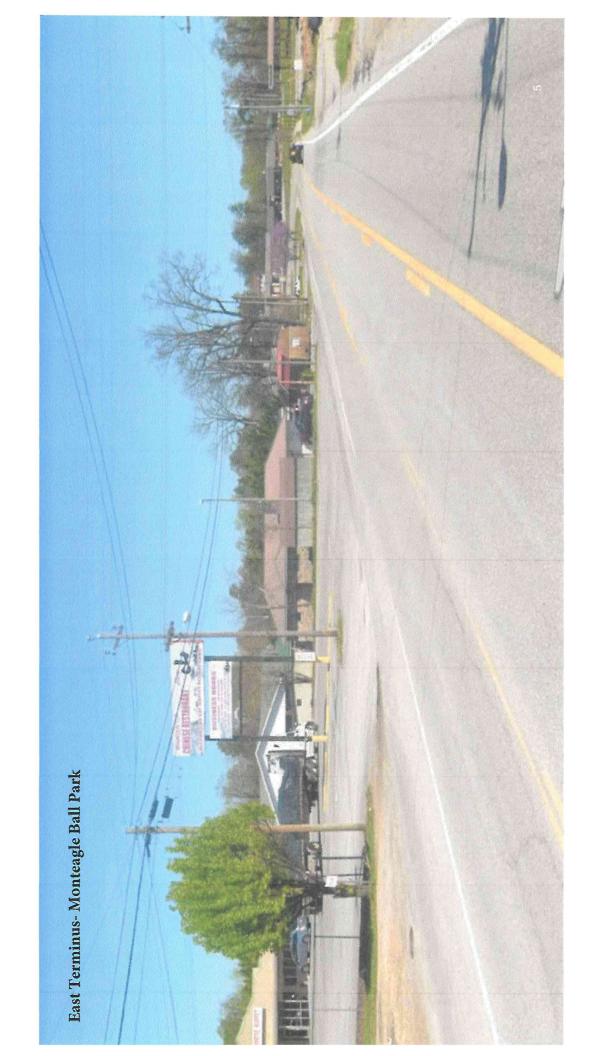














Monteagle Town Hall Meeting 24 Dixie Lee Avenue Monteagle, TN Tuesday, February 15th, 2022, 5-7 pm CST

Infrastructure

	Comments		Themes
•	Laurel Lake Runoff into Lake (Red algae blooms in lake)	•	Laurel Lake pollution
•	Better water infrastructure since more development is coming		Stormwater/Run-off
	in		pollution
•	Continue to improve the Mountain Goat Trail	•	Road improvements
•	Lighting pollution in residential area	•	Mountain Goat Trail
•	More lighting option, outside of bright LEDs, in residential areas	•	Better residential lighting options
•	Road improvements for drainage, erosion mitigation at Bear	•	Extension of sewer/utility
	Den Subdivision, Laurel Lake, etc. (Quality of roads post-		services
	development)	•	Redevelopment of main
•	Temporary road never became permanent near Laurel Lake		village corridor/heart of
	(off Wells Rd), Wants secondary road to Laurel Lake when		commercial area
	road washes out		
•	Extend sewer/utility services all the way down Wren's Nest,		
	especially with new development coming in		
•	Better water management / Better enforcement with run-off issues		
•	Concerns about Laurel Lake pollution from runoff from New		
	Petro development		
•	Stronger regulation on storm-water runoff for new		-
	development		
•	Promoting businesses/development between two exit ramps		
•	Continue study/plan/process in developing main village		
	corridor, Redevelopment/infill in the heart of commercial area		
	between the 2 interchanges		
•	Use Virginia Creeper Trail as inspiration for Mountain Goat		
	Trail		

Quality of Life

	Comments		Themes
•	Wants Full-time fire chief / new fire truck recently delivered →	•	Enhance village corridor
	get a full-time fire department next		Tourism development
•	Review zoning map/zoning ordinances, especially looking into	•	More enforcement with
	residential v. commercial areas		trash
•	Wants separation of interchange commercial from downtown business areas – update zoning	•	Review zoning map, separate commercial v.
•	Encourage tourist development in village corridor → Master		residential v. corridor area
	design plan to encourage certain characteristics/qualities	•	Neighbor/organizational
•	Property tax to generate revenue – Need to determine what		collaboration
	revenue could be generated	•	Affordable housing
•	North Bluff Drive – trashy properties		_
•	Public involvement in zoning discussion in central village		
	corridor		
•	More enforcement on cleanliness/litter ordinances especially		
	on roadways and residential/commercial properties		
	Creating an "Adopt-a-Street" initiative		
•	More organizational collaboration → Neighbors helping		
	neighbors culture		
•	New code enforcement officer		
•	Centralized parking/Walkable/ped-friendly sidewalk		
	connectivity between businesses in village corridor		
•	Lots of trash on First & King St. behind Builder's Supply		
•	Concern that too much focus on code enforcement, and that		
	will negatively impact individuals experiencing poverty		
•	More affordable housing, through planning in zoning → More mixed-use development		
•	More gathering spaces in community for community		
	collaboration and recreational opportunities		

Work Force Opportunities

Comments	Themes
 More affordable housing (especially for those working in the agricultural industry) More businesses to promote the culture of Monteagle being "The Gateway to the Cumberland Plateau) → Compatible businesses that compliment the town Problems with finding employees Collaboration with Grundy High Schools to attract more people to stay and live/work in the area Information/Visitor center could attract more tourists Better leadership in the area would revitalize the area More tri-County cooperation Anti-addiction movement → Can't find workers that could pass a drug test Attract the area youth to stay/live/work/open businesses Host job fairs/job counseling Recruit tech or trade school to educate area graduates → Skills training & education More addiction/mental health services 	Themes Attract area youth to stay in the town More businesses to promote tourism More anti-addition/mental health services

Town Ownership/Maintaining Properties

	Comments		Themes
•	Routine schedule for maintaining town property → Capital budgeting for ongoing maintenance Sewage/water treatment plant expansion Distribute information to citizens on water quality and sewer system updates through public reports (through newspaper, GCTV, Facebook, website, reports in water bills)	•	More citizen involvement with reporting, budget, etc. More routine maintenance/landscaping of government property
•	More citizen input for local gov budget → General Find \$1.3 million		
•	Better maintenance of landscaping outside government buildings, parks, post office, etc.		
•	Wants town to own Mountain Goat Trail		
•	More citizen involvement		
•	Better representation in leadership		

Additional Comments

Comments	Themes
 Theme/tag line for new plan for what citizens envision for the future of the town Publishing all citizen comments/input Wants more input, especially for people who can't make it to the meeting in person Add comments/results to website or Facebook More open exchange in town meetings Finding minutes/recording of meetings difficult to find online Wants public comment to be reserved for the beginning of meetings More accessibility during meetings – Use microphones, monitor, better recordings Ensure that paper and online surveys match and results are cohesive 	More public input Better accessibility for public meetings

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TRANSPORTATION

COFFEE, FRANKLIN, GRUNDY, MARION SEQUATCHIE, VAN BUREN, AND WARREN COUNTIES

July 12, 2022

Mr. Dan Pallme
Multimodal Transportation Resources Division Interim Director
Tennessee Department of Transportation
James K. Polk Building, Suite 700
505 Deaderick Street
Nashville, Tennessee 37243

RE: Monteagle 2022 Multimodal Access Grant

Dear Mr. Pallme:

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Sincerely,

Deputy Speaker Janice Bowling

Janice Bowling



IRIS RUDDER

STATE REPRESENTATIVE 39th LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT Franklin, Moore, and Marion Counties

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State Representative, 39th House District

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July 12, 2022

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Dear Mr. Pallme:

On behalf of the Southeast RPO, I am writing in support of Monteagle's application for 2022 Multimodal Grant Funds to construct pedestrian improvements including sidewalks and crosswalks along State Route 2 (Main Street) that will enhance the safety of both pedestrians and motorists who access businesses and residences along this route. Monteagle has committed the necessary local matching funds to complete this project.

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Sincerely,

Marc Holcomb RPO Coordinator

Southeast Tennessee RPO



MONTEAGLE SUNDAY SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

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July 8, 2022

Mr. Dan Pallme Multimodal Transportation Resources Division Interim Director Tennessee Department of Transportation James K. Polk Building, Suite 700 505 Deadrick Street Nashville, TN 37243

Dear Mr. Pallme,

This letter is written to express the Monteagle Assembly's strong support for the Town of Monteagle's application for 2022 Multimodal Grant Funds to construct pedestrian improvements including sidewalks and crosswalks along Sate Route 2 (Main Street) that will enhance safety of both pedestrians and motorists who access businesses and residences along the route.

As a residential non-profit educational and religious organization located in the center on Monteagle, we have a large number of adults and children crossing Main Street to access restaurants and businesses. I believe this project will be extremely beneficial to improving pedestrian experiences in town, increased connectivity, and most importantly, increased safety.

Thank you in advance for your attention to this matter, and I trust that Monteagle's application will be given every possible consideration for funding. I appreciate you and your staff making these funding opportunities available to Monteagle as we seek to improve our community.

Sincerely,

W. Scott Parrish Executive Director

Monteagle Sunday School Assembly

204 West Main Street, P.O. Box 39 Monteagle, Tennessee 37356



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Monteagle Inn

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Dear Mr. Pallme.

It is my understanding that the Town of Monteagle has applied for 2022 Multimodal Grant Funds to construct pedestrian sidewalks and crosswalks on Main Street (State Route 2). The project will both reduce local traffic and enhance safety to residents and visitors.

As a business owner and homeowner on Main Street, I see firsthand the need for a safe and enhanced environment benefiting pedestrian traffic along this active corridor mixed with homes, businesses, and parks. This valued improvement will create safe and easy access for my guests to explore the local shops and restaurants along Main Street that will benefit the local community.

Thanks for your consideration by assisting Monteagle in continuing to improve the "small town" experience in our community.

Sincerely,

Richard Black

Monteagle Inn & Retreat Center

Marion County Board of Education

204 Betsy Pack Drive Jasper, Tennessee 37347

Mark A. Griffith Director of Schools

Telephone (423) 942-3434 Fax (423) 942-4211

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As a Director of Schools for Marion County, I believe this project will be extremely beneficial to improving safety for students who use the crosswalks and sidewalks in the city center to walk or ride their bike to school. It will also increase the connection between the residential areas to where the school is located over the state route.

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Dr. Mark A. Griffith, Director of Schools

Marion County Board of Education

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NOTICE

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