

**MINUTES  
MONTEAGLE CITY COUNCIL  
NOVEMBER 27, 2023  
5:00 PM**

**PRESENT:                   MAYOR GREG MALOOF  
                                  NATE WILSON  
                                  DAN SARGENT  
                                  JESSICA FAVALORO  
                                  DORRAINE PARMLEY**

**Mayor Maloof called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm. The prayer was offered by Alderman Sargent and the pledge of allegiance offered by Alderman Wilson. The City Recorder called the roll and all were present. Alderman Sargent moved to approve the minutes of October 30, 2023. Alderman Wilson seconded the motion and it passed 5/0. Alderman Parmley moved to approve the Special Called meeting of November 20, 2023. Alderman Favaloro seconded the motion and it passed 5/0.**

**MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS**

**This council has completed its first year in office.**

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**The Christmas Festival and Parade will be December 9<sup>th</sup> from 11-4. The theme will be Peace on Earth.**

## **STREET DEPARTMENT**

**Mr. Keith Butner reported that they are working on Christmas lights and decorations as well as leaf pick up.**

## **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**Chief Raline gave his report. As the holiday season approaches he would like for everyone to be aware of credit and debit card scams and hacks. Please take care of your animals as the weather gets colder. There was an incident with children on social media. Please monitor your children's social media use. Currently there are no homeless people in town.**

## **FIRE DEPARTMENT**

**Fire Chief Travis Lawyer reported that work has begun on the ladder truck. He is currently working on a fire grant. They used 8000 gallons of water. There is a burn ban for all open fires.**

## **BUILDING INSPECTIONS**

**Travis reported that he is working on getting his building inspector's license.**

## **CODES**

**Mr. A. J. Wade reported he has issued temporary sign permits, one food truck permit and one upcoming city court case.**

## **UTILITY DEPARTMENT**

**Mr. Travis Wilson reported that the water tank is close to being finished. He is working on the rehabilitation project that should start around the first of the year. He is working on an application for grant monies for capital projects. He needs to send an email telling them that the city is interested in applying for the grant. It is 375,000 with a 25% match of 93,000. Alderman Parmley moved to have the engineer send an email. Alderman Favaloro seconded the motion and it passed 5/0.**

## **PARKS & RECREATION**

**There will be a meeting December 4<sup>th</sup> at Tower Bank.**

## **ALDERMAN**

**Alderman Sargent discussed a special 3 cent gas tax that would be set aside for large projects. The mayor is researching this and will get back to the council.**

**MS. MARTHA ANN PILCHER – She explained the Christmas Decoration Contest. This is for businesses on Main, College and Dixie Lee Streets. You must register and the fee is \$30.00. The winner will be announced at the Christmas Festival on Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Bill & Carol Bennett have donated 1200 bulbs to be planted in the spring.**

## **OLD BUSINESS**

**SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE 23-23 Zoning changes for the MSSA. There was a public hearing prior to this meeting. Alderman**

**Sargent moved to approve this ordinance on second reading. Alderman Wilson seconded the motion and it passed 5/0.**

**SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE 24-23 EMPLOYEE RAISES – Alderman Wilson moved to approve this ordinance on second reading. Alderman Sargent seconded the motion. There was discussion on the motion. Alderman Parmley stated she was not in favor of the raises and would like it revisited. Alderman Favaloro stated she was not in favor of the raised because the department heads were not consulted. On roll call vote Alderman Parmley voted NO, Alderman Favaloro voted NO, Alderman Sargent voted Yes, Alderman Wilson voted NO, and the Mayor voted Yes, motion failed.**

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

**First reading of Ordinance 25-23 Sunset Rock Road Closure – Alderman Sargent moved to approve this ordinance on first reading. Alderman Wilson seconded the motion and it passed 5/0.**

**First reading of Ordinance 26-23 Rezoning for Dubose – Alderman Favaloro moved to approve this ordinance on first reading. Alderman Sargent seconded the motion and it passed 5/0.**

**First reading of Ordinance 27-23 – Drug fund – Alderman Sargent moved to approve this ordinance on first reading. Alderman Wilson seconded the motion and it passed 5/0.**

## **BUSINESS PERMITS**

**Mr. Dean Lay would like to have a business permit for 800 Dixie Lee Ave. for Auto Truck Detail/Auto Diesel Repair. There was discussion if this should go before the BZA and is subject to a certificate of occupancy being issued. Alderman Sargent moved to approve this business permit. Alderman Parmley seconded the motion. It passed 3/2 with Alderman Wilson and Alderman Favaloro voting NO.**

## **CITIZENS HEARING**

**Mr. Dean Lay would like the street lights on North Bluff Drive turned on. He also asked if we have a written policy on conflict of interest on city council voting.**

**There being no other business Alderman Parmley moved to adjourn the meeting. Alderman Wilson seconded the motion and it passed 5/0. Meeting adjourned at 6:33 pm.**

**Respectfully Submitted,**

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**Mayor Greg Maloof**

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**City Recorder Debbie Taylor**