

Monrovia Town Council Meeting

June 24, 2019

7:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Town Council President Robert Marley, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer.

Attendance

Present at the meeting: Carol Youngblood, District 1; Loren Moore, District 2; Bonnie Silsby-Inman, District 3; Philip Fowler, District 4; Robert Marley, at Large; Anthony Woodside, Reporter Times and Iona Jackson, Clerk Treasurer

Absent

Virginia Brough was absent.

Minutes

Philip Fowler made a motion to approve the May 28, 2019 Town Council Minutes as presented, Loren Moore second the motion, all were in favor.

Citizens/Guest

Eddie Menzel Planning Commission President, Jessica Hartman Civil Engineering Inc., Mac McCloud, Bill Fite and Steve Carter with Senator Mike Braun's office were the citizens and guests in attendance.

Fite and McCloud were both present to receive an update on the drainage issues at Baltimore and Henshaw roads. This was an area being studied by the town's engineering company.

Engineer Hartman stated their findings will take another three (3) to four (4) weeks and then it should be wrapped up. Once the study was completed, Hartman inquired whether the report should go to the town or the property owners. Marley said the town needs to receive the report and the property owners can return here for the July 22nd town council meeting.

Carter, stated he previously spent eight (8) years as Indiana's Attorney General and now works for US Senator Mike Braun as a Regional Director & Senior Advisor. He was present to express the senator's appreciation for the work the council has been doing. Carter said he had been visiting other towns and wanted to advise us their office was available, if needed.

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Planning/Zoning

The Building Reports for April 2019 and May 2019 were distributed. One correction was noted for the May 2019 report. Permit number 3055 had an incorrect address listed and needed to be changed to 85 Latta Dr.

Police

Regarding the three (3) interviews; Marley said he was comfortable with hiring the two (2) Reserve Officers, but wanted to table hiring the paid part time officer until other applicants could be interviewed.

Philip Fowler made a motion to move forward and hire the Reserve Officers and hold off hiring the paid position tabling the decision until more candidates are interviewed, Loren Moore second the motion; all were in favor.

Streets

Marley stated the town should be thinking about doing some paving this year and maybe budget for next year.

Sewer

Marley stated at the end of July we would no longer have REMC as security for the Wastewater Treatment Plant. He added he reached out to Endeavor and they no longer are providing that type of security either. Marley stated Nelson Alarm, who protects the Municipal Building with security agreed to provide the WWTP with security. The purchase price is \$1,252 and the monthly charge will be \$40 and will consist as a basic cellular radio transmission.

Philip Fowler made a motion to approve the hiring of Nelson Alarm to provide security for the Wastewater Treatment Plant, Carol Youngblood second the motion; all were in favor.

Old Business

Regarding the Dollar Store project of installing a grinder station; Marley opened three (3) bids for labor only.

1. Kevin Blundell - \$2,900
2. Dustin Burton - \$1,900
3. Bryan Beville - \$9,500

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After some discussion, Youngblood said we needed to go back and provide Beville's with another scope of duties; allowing them to resubmit their bid. Marley agreed.

Carol Youngblood made a motion to allow Beville Excavating to resubmit their bid after receiving another scope, along with receiving bond and insurance from all three (3) contractors. Bonnie Silsby-Inman second the motion, all were in favor.

Moore said he spoke with Jack Elliott, school board member and was told the school was filling up and had room for a few more students; as we are allowing more houses to be built. Moore stated Elliott said the schools are growing faster than they can keep up with and we may need to increase taxes in order to build onto the school.

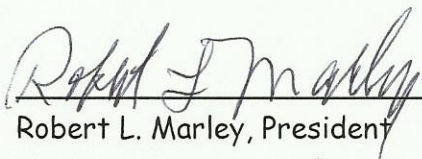
Silsby-Inman stated she is glad they are addressing this now, because when she moved to Monrovia in 2006 there were ongoing concerns about the schools growth.

Youngblood added we need to have a comprehensive plan for the town for all the development, as there maybe the potential to deny; adding she was the voice of opposition of expanding.


Philip Fowler made a motion to approve the May 2019 bank reconciliation and pay town and wastewater claims of \$70,354.39, Carol Youngblood second the motion, all were in favor.

Philip Fowler moved to adjourn the Town Council Meeting, Loren Moore second the motion, all were in favor.

Attest:



Robert L. Marley, President
Monrovia Town Council



Iona Jackson, Clerk Treasurer
Town of Monrovia