

Monrovia Town Council Meeting
April 26, 2021
Town Municipal Building
140 E. Main Street, Monrovia, IN 46157

The meeting, was called to order at 6:30 pm by Town Council President Philip Fowler and was immediately followed by the pledge of allegiance and a prayer.

Attendance

Present at the meeting: Philip Fowler, President, District 4; Bonnie Silsby-Inman, VP, District 3; Carol Youngblood, District 1; Loren Moore, District 2; Kevin Collier, At large; and Danny Chenault, Clerk Treasurer.

Guests/Citizens:

In attendance were; William Snyder (Town Marshal), Shawn Massingale (WWTP Manager), Eddie Menzel (Planning Commission President), Ed Olleman (BZA President), Michael Conner (BZA VP), James Wisco (Town Attorney).

Town Council Meeting Minutes: Councilmember Kevin Collier made a motion that the 22 March 2021 Meeting Minutes be approved as written, seconded by Councilmember Carol Youngblood. All were in favor (5 Aye / 0 Nay).

Unfinished Business:

Proposed Sewer Fee Ordinance (Amendment to Ordinance 7-1997): All council members and the Town Attorney were provided a draft ordinance document for review. Comments/recommended changes are to be submitted in sufficient time so as to present a final document at a public hearing scheduled for May 24, 2021.

Demolition Bids (home at 155 E. Main Street): The Council had tabled this agenda item in the March 22, 2021 meeting because the identified NOK had notified the Town Attorney that they would have the home demolished no later than 25 April. As of this meeting, the home has not been demolished. The Council reviewed the 3 demolition bids received from: Inglert, LLC (\$20,000); Lafary Group Corp (\$7,200); and Burton Excavating & Trucking, LLC (\$12,900). Councilmember Kevin Collier made a motion that the bid from Lafary Group Corp for \$7,200 be accepted, seconded by Councilmember Carol Youngblood. All were in favor (5 Aye / 0 Nay).

New Business:

CECon Engineering Contract Extension: The Council reviewed the 1 year extension to the current contract with CECon, which had lapsed as of 2/28/21. Council VP Bonnie Silsby-Inman asked if the Council was pleased with CECon's performance / did we want to continue the contract. After further Council discussion, Councilmember Kevin Collier made a motion that the contract be extended 120 days, during which time the Council will entertain bids from other engineering companies for on-call engineering services. Council President Philip Fowler will contact CECon President Jessica Hartman and advise her of the Council's decision.

Employee Payroll Report: The Council was provided the employee payroll report for March 2021 for review/comment.

Franciscan HEALTHeACCESS: Information regarding this employee wellness program for employers was provided to the Council. The Council would like to hear more from the program representatives at a subsequent Council meeting. The Clerk Treasurer will make the necessary arrangements.

INDOT SR 42 Pavement Rehab Project: The Council was provided written notification from INDOT of the upcoming project, seeking Town Council response regarding the environmental impact (if any) within 30 days.

Golf Cart / Recreational Vehicle Ordinance Review: Councilmember Kevin Collier presented a draft ordinance regarding authorization/use of golf carts and recreational off-road vehicles. Following discussion and recommended changes by the Council, the ordinance will be updated by the Town attorney. Council VP Bonnie Silsby-Inman moved that the ordinance be finalized and presented at a Public Hearing on May 24, 2021. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Kevin Collier. The motion passed with 4 in favor and 1 (Loren Moore) against.

Commercial Development Moratorium: Councilmember Kevin Collier made a motion that a moratorium be placed on new commercial building permits along the SR 39/42 corridor, including permit applications in progress that, as of April 26, 2021, have not received variance or approval by the Town Council. Councilmember Carol Youngblood seconded the motion. All were in favor (5 Aye / 0 Nay).

Department Head Reports:

Police: Marshal William Snyder provided his police activity report. Also discussed was:

- Quote from Spyder Graphics to place police decals on the 2 police Ford Explorers at a cost of \$175.00 - \$225.00 per vehicle. Councilmember Kevin Collier motioned that the bid be accepted and paid for with the Riverboat Revenue Sharing Fund (280001450). The motion was seconded by Councilmember Loren Moore. All were in favor (5 Aye / 0 Nay).
- Payment for 12 police vehicle tires. Councilmember Kevin Collier motioned that the recently purchased tires be paid for with the Economic Development Fund (444001360), seconded by Councilmember Loren Moore. All were in favor (5 Aye / 0 Nay).
- Councilmember Loren Moore made a motion that the 2 Reserve Police Officer candidates that had been interviewed by the Council be accepted for hire, seconded by Councilmember Kevin Collier. All were in favor (5 Aye / 0 Nay).

Planning/BZA:

- The Council was provided the Permit Report for March 2021.
- Planning Commission President Eddie Menzel:
 - o Requested clarification from the Town Council / Town Attorney regarding approval authority for variances and zoning/PUD amendments. Council members also sought clarification regarding what items are required to go before the BZA, when is a Variance needed vs. an Amendment, etc. The Town Attorney will provide his legal opinion / clarification.
 - o Questioned as to whether or not the PUD for Eagle Pointe has expired.

Sewer: WWTP Manager Shawn Massingale brought forth the following topics:

- Advised the Council that he would like to change chemical suppliers, resulting in approximately \$8,000 in annual savings. Councilmember Carol Youngblood made a motion to approve the change, seconded by Council VP Bonnie Silsby-Inman. All were in favor (5 Aye / 0 Nay).
- Submitted a proposal for W.W.O.C. to better maintain the Town's collection system through routine inspections of the sewer lines. Cost for this service will be \$300 every 2 weeks. Councilmember Carol Youngblood made a motion to approve the proposal, seconded by Councilmember Kevin Collier. All were in favor (5 Aye / 0 Nay).
- Two (2) years in a row the Treatment Plant initially failed the annual Backflow Test conducted by Gluff Plumbing. The backflow valve has far exceeded its normal "life expectancy" of 10 years and Gluff Plumbing submitted a quote of \$1,500 to replace the valve. Councilmember Loren Moore motioned to approve the quote and have the

valve replaced, seconded by Councilmember Carol Youngblood. All were in favor (5 Aye / 0 Nay).

Legal: No items discussed.

Public Comments: Michael Conner requested that the Town establish an Ordinance covering protests. The Town Attorney will draft such an ordinance.

Claims and Bank Reconciliation: Council VP Bonnie Silsby-Inman moved that the April Claims and March Bank Reconciliation be approved as prepared, seconded by Councilmember Loren Moore. All were in favor (5 Aye / 0 Nay).

Town Council Comments: Council VP Bonnie Silsby-Inman advised the Council that she had obtained a quote from Wallace Construction for repair of potholes in our Town streets. The quote was for \$4,800, but she will be seeking additional detail associated with the quoted amount. Councilmember Carol Youngblood recommended that additional quotes be obtained, for cost comparison purposes. Council VP Bonnie Silsby-Inman will try to obtain additional quotes for the street repair work.

Additional Business: None

With no additional business to discuss, Council VP ^{member Carol Youngblood} ~~Bonnie Silsby-Inman~~ made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilmember Loren Moore. All were in favor (5 Aye / 0 Nay) and the meeting was adjourned at 9:33 pm.



Philip Fowler, President
Monrovia Town Council

Attest:



Danny Chenault, Clerk Treasurer
Town of Monrovia