

Monrovia Town Council Meeting
July 26, 2022
140 E. Main Street (Municipal Building),
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; Kevin Collier, VP, At-Large; Carol Youngblood, District 1; Loren Moore, District 2; and Danny Chenault, Clerk Treasurer.

Absent from the meeting: Bonnie Silsby-Inman, District 3

Guests/Citizens: Kay Fowler

Additional Attendees: James Wisco (Town Attorney), Brian Stumpf (Civic Blueprint), Shawn Massingale, Brianne Campbell (WWOC).

Town Council Meeting Minutes: Council VP Collier moved that the minutes from the June 26th Council meeting be approved as written, seconded by Council member Youngblood. **All were in favor (4 Aye / 0 Nay / 1 Absent)**, and the motion passed.

Claims & Bank Reconciliation: Council VP Collier made a motion that the June bank reconciliation and July claims docket be approved. Council member Moore seconded the motion. **All were in favor (4 Aye / 0 Nay / 1 Absent)**, and the motion passed.

Public Comment: None

Old Business:

Pending Litigation – July 26, 2022 Executive Session: Council member Youngblood made a motion that the fine amount discussed in the preceding Executive Session be levied against the party(ies) involved, seconded by Council VP Collier. **All were in favor (4 Aye / 0 Nay / 1 Absent)**, and the motion passed.

Consider Ordinance to Adopt Unified Development Ordinance: At this 1st reading of the draft ordinance, Council member Youngblood asked if the Council had been provided a copy of the most recently updated version of the UDO. Clerk-Treasurer Chenault stated that they had not. The Council agreed to conduct the 2nd reading of the draft ordinance at the August 23rd council meeting. The Clerk-Treasurer will provide the requested UDO document(s) to the council electronically asap following the meeting so that they have time to review prior to the August 23rd meeting.

IDEM Inspection(s) of the WWTP: WWOC President Massingale provided the Council with an update regarding activity and inspections from June 20, 2022 to current. He further advised that the Town now has 3 blowers in operation at the plant. At his request, the Council agreed to return the smaller rented blower in approximately 1 month (final decision to be made at August 23rd meeting).

WWOC Rate Increase / New Contract for Services (Tabled from November 2021 Meeting): Council VP Collier moved that the rate increase of \$70.40 bi-weekly (\$1,820 annually) be approved and the new agreement be entered into. This was seconded by Council member Youngblood and the motion passed with **all in favor (4 Aye / 0 Nay / 1 Absent)**.

Animal Ordinance Violation Update: Council was advised by Town Attorney Wisco that a Petition for a Temporary Restraining Order was being filed against the applicable party (ref: maintaining and possibly slaughtering goats/chickens in Homestead subdivision).

Ordinance Violation Compliance Process: Once again tabled, as the process document and fee schedule have not yet been drafted for review.

GOGov (Citizen Notification Application Software): The Council had previously approved utilizing the service; however, it had not been established from which fund the initial annual subscription cost of \$1,920 would be paid from. Council VP Collier moved that the service be paid for from the CCI Fund (4401), seconded by Council member Moore. **All were in favor (4 Aye / 0 Nay / 1 Absent)**, and the motion passed.

New Business:

Buffer Zone Transition: The Council briefly discussed the recent communications/meetings between the Town and County regarding the scheduled timeline of the transition. With early transition as an option (ahead of the scheduled transition date of December 1, 2022), Council member Moore made a motion that the Town of Monrovia transition the buffer zone back to the County effective August 1, 2022. The motion was seconded by Council VP Collier. **All were in favor (4 Aye / 0 Nay / 1 Absent)**, and the motion passed. The Clerk-Treasurer will immediately notify the County Administrator (Josh Messmer) and County Planning Department.

Consider Quote for Snow/Ice Removal Service – Wallace Construction, Inc: The Council reviewed the quote provided by Wallace Construction, Inc and the and the associated draft agreement for services. Following review and discussion, Council VP Collier moved that the quote be accepted and the agreement for services be entered into. Council member Moore seconded the motion and it passed with **all in favor (4 Aye / 0 Nay / 1 Absent)**.

Consider Ordinance to Adopt a Policy & Form Regarding Requests Submitted IAW the Indiana Access to Public Records Act. The Council reviewed the draft ordinance prepared by Town Attorney Wisco. The associated Request for Public Records Form had been approved by the Council at the June 26th meeting. Council VP Collier moved that the 2nd reading be suspended, seconded by Council member Moore. **All were in favor (4 Aye / 0 Nay / 1 Absent)**, and the motion passed. A motion to adopt the ordinance was then made by Council VP Collier, seconded by Council member Youngblood. **All were in favor (4 Aye / 0 Nay / 1 Absent)**, and the ordinance was adopted.

Consider Ordinance to Establish a Town Redevelopment Commission: The Council completed its 1st public reading of the draft ordinance. The 2nd reading and potential vote will be conducted at the August 23, 2022 Council meeting.

Police: Town Marshal Richardson provide a department update.

Plan Commission / BZA:

- Minutes from the July 12th PC meeting were distributed.
- The 2nd Quarter, 2022 building Permit Report was distributed to the Council.

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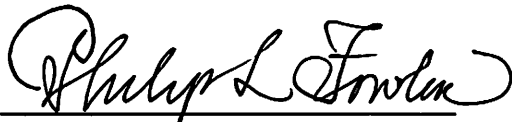
- WWOC President Massingale provided a written department update.
- It was asked whether our lawn services agreement included weed control at the WWTP. It does not – our lawncare sub-contractor will be contacted to determine if they can provide this service and what the additional cost would be.
- Council member Moore asked if 2 new blowers that would be installed for the upcoming plant expansion could be purchased now and retrofitted within the existing operation so that the rental blowers could be returned. Our WWTP expansion project engineers will be asked regarding the feasibility of this.

Streets:

- Following a request by a citizen, Council approved the purchase and installation of “Deaf Child” traffic warning signs in the Homestead subdivision.
- The Council was provided an updated regarding recent communications regarding the SR 39 / SR 42 intersection.

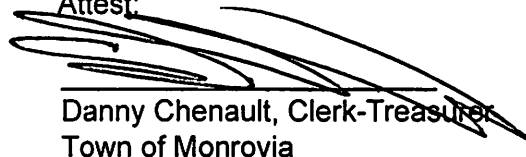
Additional Business: None

With no additional business to discuss, Council member Moore moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Council VP Collier. **All were in favor (4 Aye / 0 Nay / 1 Absent),** and the meeting was adjourned at 7::30 pm.



Philip Fowler, President
Monrovia Town Council

Attest:



Danny Chenault, Clerk-Treasurer
Town of Monrovia