Monrovia Town Council Meeting April 23, 2024 60 S Marley Way, Monrovia, IN 46157

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

Attendance:

Present at the meeting: Kevin Collier, President, At-Large; Carol Youngblood, VP, District 1; Philip Fowler, District 4; Loren Moore, District 2; Dustin Kaufman, District 3; and Danny Chenault, Town Manager/ Acting Clerk-Treasurer

<u>Guests/Citizens</u> Maria Chenault, Bill Chapple, Tammy Everett, Eric Lyman, Tracy Bakey, Lori Choate, Ashley Kaufman.

<u>Additional Attendees:</u> Ricky Cardoza (Town Admin Asst), Adam Steuerwald (Barnes & Thornburg), Cora Collier (Park Board), Matt Wright (Town Marshal), Jared Quigg (Morgan County Correspondent), Michael Connor (RDC), Kyle Lueken (HWC), Terry McCardwell (GDI), Greg Guerrettaz (FSG)

Meeting Minutes:

Council VP Youngblood moved that the March 20,2024 special meeting and March 26, 2024 minutes be approved as written, seconded by Council member Moore. **All were in favor (5 Aye / 0 Nay).**

<u>Claims & Bank Reconciliation:</u> Council member Kaufman made a motion to approve the February bank reconciliation and April claims docket. Council member Moore seconded the motion. All were in favor (5 Aye / 0 Nay), and the motion passed.

<u>Public Hearing:</u> Council President Collier moved that the Public Hearing regarding the Resolution Confirming the Designation of an Economic Revitalization Area and Approving the Deduction from Assessed Value of New Real Property Improvements be opened. With noone wishing to speak, the public hearing was closed by a motion from Council member Fowler, seconded by Council member Kaufman. Council member Fowler moved that the resolution be adopted, seconded by Council member Kaufman. Resolution 2024-005 was adopted with (**3** Aye), (**2** Nay).

Old Business:

SR/39 SR 42 Corridor Vision Plan- Final Draft for Council Review: Kyle Lueken (HWC) presented the corridor vision plan for the Town of Monrovia. Following Council input, the next step is to send it to INDOT for consideration/ approval.

Consider Resolution to Adopt Written Fiscal Plan for Annexation of Real Estate: Greg Guerrettaz (FSG) went over the fiscal plan for the annexation of real estate. The next step if the resolution is approved would be to have the Department of Local Government Finance consider/ approve the fiscal plan. After discussion, President Collier made a motion to wave the first reading, seconded by Council member Kaufman. The motion failed with (4 Aye, 1 Nay), and the motion failed. The second reading will occur at the next scheduled Council meeting.

New Business:

Consider Ordinance to Designate a Purchasing Agency & Purchasing Agents for the Town: The council discussed an ordinance for a purchasing agency/ agent for the town. The town manager as the Purchasing Agent. After further discussion, Council member Kaufman made the motion to approve the ordinance as written, seconded by VP Youngblood. The motion passed with 4 Aye, 1 Nay.

Discussion- Additional Appropriation of Public Safety Funds for JAG Grant Purchases: The Council was given 2 options on how to fund the equipment that the Police Department is requesting. After further discussion, Council Member Fowler made a motion that the equipment be purchased through the EDIT fund and replaced upon reimbursement by the grant tour. The motion was seconded by Council member Kaufman. All were in favor (5 Aye / 0 Nay), and the motion passed.

Quote- Bat Prevention Services: The Town received a quote for \$3,745 to perform wildlife exclusion services in the Government Center to prevent Bats. After discussion, it was agreed to obtain a second quote for the service.

Precision Data Escrow Fund- Resolution to Transfer \$5,030 to General Fund: The council discussed considering a Resolution to transfer the money from the escrow account into The General Fund. After discussion, Council member Fowler made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Council member Kaufman. All were in favor (5 Aye / 0 Nay,) and the motion passed.

Quote- Survey of Property Being Donated by Citizens Bank to the Town for Parks & Recreation: The bank offered to donate bank-owned property to the Parks & Recreation Department. The stipulation would be the Town paying for a property survey to be performed by Banning Engineering. Banning Engineering quoted\$4,500. After discussion, Council member Fowler made a motion to approve the quote to conduct the survey of the property being donated to the town, to be paid from the EDIT fund, seconded by Council member Kaufman. All were in favor (5 Aye / 0 Nay), and the motion passed.

Police:

- Town Marshal Wright provided a department update, including the number of calls responded to by Town police in the last month.
- A proposed traffic violation fee schedule was presented to the council.

Plan Commission / BZA: The 1st Quarter 2024 Building Permits Report was presented to the Council.

Sewer:

- The monthly report from WWOC was provided to the Council.
- An update on the Homestead Section 7 sewer line issue was presented.

Parks & Recreation: President Collier provided the council with a board update. The Lions Club approved funding \$10,000 to purchase a park pavilion by June 8th. The board is having a work session Saturday,27 April, from 9am- Noon.

Redevelopment Commission: N/A

Public Works Committee: Public works will be meeting every other month, instead of Quarterly.

Additional Business:

- The Council was advised that an additional appropriation of 61,557.94 dollars from the Local Road & Bridge Matching Fund will be needed to reimburse INDOT for over funding. A public hearing will be scheduled for May 21.
- Council member Moore presented a prepared document voicing concerns over the current ordinance preparation and approval process. Also discussed was the need to make ordinances and resolutions easier to access for the public. Links to the documents will be placed on the town website's homepage.

Public Comment: None

With no further business to discuss, Council member Fowler moved that the meeting be adjourned, seconded by Council member Kaufman. All were in favor (5 Aye / 0 Nay), and the meeting was adjourned at 7:52 pm.

Kevin Collier President, Monrovia Town Council

Attest:

Danny Chenault, Town Manager & Acting Clerk-Treasurer