



MONROE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, October 12, 2021, at 7:00 pm
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1. The regular meeting of the Monroe City Council was called to order by Mayor Johnny Parsons at 7:00 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Payne. A Prayer was offered by Mayor Parsons.

3. Roll Call

Mayor Parsons

Councilmembers:

Dane Buchmiller

Michael Mathie - absent

Perry Payne

Erica Serrine

Janet Cartwright -electronic

Public Works Director Devin Magleby

City Recorder Allison Leavitt

Present:

Diana Miles

Jason Miles

John Spendlove

Daniel Hawley

Stacey Whitmore

Jef Anderson

Lindsay Ripa

4. Consider a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting held September 28, 2021.

Councilmember Payne moved to approve the minutes of the meeting held September 28, 2021, as submitted. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Serrine. A roll call vote was called. Voting yes: Councilmembers Buchmiller, Cartwright, Payne, and Serrine. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried 4-0

39 **5. Citizen input – Limit of 3 minutes per comment**

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41 Diana Miles explained to the Council that she would like to split her property so that she can
42 sell her existing house and build a new house on the new lot created by the split. Her
43 property is only .57 of an acre and she would need .66 of an acre to meet City minimum lot
44 size requirement of 14,000 sq. feet. Ms. Miles stated that her property abuts City property
45 and would like the Council to consider selling her the tenth of an acre needed to obtain
46 enough property for the split.

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48 Upon review of the location of the property it was determined that the property is in our
49 Well-Head Protection Zone 3. Our current policy does not allow any new septic systems in
50 Zone 3, so the Council had no reason to consider their request.

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52 **6. Approval of October 2021 warrant register, September 2021 cash disbursements,**
53 **adjustment journal, and aging report.**

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55 **Councilmembers reviewed and signed the October 2021 warrant register, September 2021**
56 **cash disbursements, adjustment journal and utility aging report.**

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58 **7. Business**

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60 a. Consider joint community project -Native Plant Society - Sherry Accongio

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62 Sherry Accongio thanked the Council for the opportunity her organization was given to hold
63 their American Idol fundraiser during our 24th of July Celebration and they are planning on
64 coming again next year.

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66 Ms. Accongio told the Council that her organization would like to do a joint community
67 project for Monroe. Council discussed some locations that might benefit from a joint project
68 with the Native Plant Society.

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70 Ms. Accongio stated that the Council did not need to decide tonight and that she just wanted
71 to let them know her organization would like to do a joint project with the City in the future.

72 Ms. Accongio explained that as the Council considers a location, the area must have water
73 for the initial planting. Even though the plants they plant are drought resistant, they do need
74 water to get them growing.

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76 Council thanked Ms. Accongio and assured her they would continue to consider sites for a
77 project.

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79 b. Consider penstock repair cost estimate - John Spendlove - Jones and
80 DeMille

81 Councilmember Buchmiller explained that John Spendlove, Jones & DeMille Engineering, is
82 here to tonight to review the scope of work and estimated cost to replace the lower hydro
83 penstock.

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85 Council reviewed the document and discussed the different options presented for repair of
86 the penstock.

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88 Councilmember Payne stated that to extend the life span of the penstock we need to reduce
89 the sand and rocks that are entering the penstock.

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91 As the Council discussed with engineers, John Spendlove and Daniel Hawley, the details for
92 replacing the penstock it was suggested that we consider inserting a liner instead of a
93 complete replacement. It was not clear which option would be less expensive.

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95 Councilmember Buchmiller asked if we have qualified contractors in our area to accomplish
96 either option. Public Works Director stated that he does not see this as an issue.

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98 Mr. Hawley explained that a complete replacement would take longer to perform, which
99 may require the road to be closed for a longer period of time.

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101 Public Works Director Devin Magleby asked if the engineer costs would decrease if the liner
102 option was selected. Mr. Spendlove stated that there would be some adjustments to
103 construction engineering costs but was unsure to what extent.

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105 Mr. Spendlove explained that with either option coordination with FERC, USFS, FWS and
106 Utah DWR would need to be completed for plan and construction approvals and permits.

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108 Councilmember Payne discussed with the engineers and Council the need to upgrade the
109 current screening structure. Council agreed and the engineers stated that a preliminary cost
110 estimate was included in the scope of work. Depending on the extent of work required on
111 this structure the cost may vary from the estimate.

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113 Councilmember Buchmiller thank Mr. Spendlove and Mr. Hawley for their time tonight and
114 stated that he would get back to them once he has had a chance to visit with Power Foreman
115 Josey Parsons and Lineman John Draper.

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117 c. Red Rock Fly-in Event - Stacey Whitmore

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119 Mayor Parsons asked Stacey Whitmore to come and report to the Council on the recent Red
120 Rock Fly-in Event.

121 Stacey Whitmore stated that he had capped his registration to 325 participants, however
122 some of the registered participants did not come but there were others flying that were not
123 registered participants. Participants were given wristbands to help identify registered flyers.
124 Work was done this year at the launching sites to provide safer more controlled launchings.
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126 Mr. Whitmore reported that the gentleman who was involved in the accident, that resulted
127 in the loss of his life, was not part of the fly-in event and they believe it was a medical event
128 that caused him to crash into the structure. An autopsy has not been completed yet and the
129 family has asked for privacy at this time.
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131 Overall feedback from the flyers about the community support was fantastic. Flyers
132 appreciated the grass landing area, the cobbler, and entertainment the City provided. Many
133 of the local citizens enjoyed visiting with the flyers at the park on Monday night. Mr.
134 Whitmore expressed his appreciation with how the City has embraced and supported the
135 free flight community.
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137 Businesses reported that they received business from the flyers, and the RV park was sold
138 out during the event.
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140 Mr. Whitmore stated that due to work on the landing zone the dust issue was much better
141 this year. Councilmember Serrine stated the even with the new restroom it appeared that
142 more porta-potties are needed, and White's Sanitation needs to come dump the dumpster
143 twice a week during the event.

144 Mr. Whitmore stated that along with the fly-in this year there was also a hike and fly
145 competition which was very successful.

146 Mr. Whitmore introduced committee members Lyndsay Ripa and Jef Anderson who stated
147 that the momentum is moving toward Monroe becoming a pre-world competition site.

148 Ms. Ripa stated that the Sevier County Sheriff Department, Search and Rescue and EMS were
149 fantastic, and money was collected in a jar one evening from the flyers to be given to them.
150 Mayor Parsons had her give the jar to City Recorder Allison Leavitt and we will see that it is
151 delivered to Sheriff Curtis.

152 Councilmember Serrine stated that there was a glitch with the food trucks, but this will be
153 worked out for next year.

154 Mayor Parsons stated that overall, the fly-in event appeared to be a success. Many people
155 came and enjoyed the night on the park and many residents enjoy watching the flyers.
156 Mayor Parsons told Mr. Whitmore that the City will continue to work with his organization to
157 improve this event.

158 Mr. Whitmore thanked the City for their support and presented to the Council a check for
159 \$2500.00 to help cover costs of improvements at the landing zone. Mr. Whitmore asked if
160 some type of plaque with the name of the pilot who lost his life this year could be displayed
161 and the landing zone. Council said absolutely, possibly on the pavilion.

162 Council thanked Mr. Whitmore, Mr. Anderson, Ms. Ripa for coming tonight and reporting to
163 the Council and the cash donation.

164 **8. Other Business**

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166 a. Staff Reports

167 City Recorder Allison Leavitt-

168 Thank conference

169 *During classes at ULCT Records Day it was strongly suggested that Councilmembers have
170 a City email, which is used when discussing City business. A Councilmember's email is a
171 record that could be subject to a GRAMA request and having a City email would protect
172 Councilmembers private emails. Public Works Director Devin Magleby will set up
173 Councilmember's email addresses.

174 *Received the mylar map for the Okerlund Annexation. Now we need to have a meeting with
175 them and prepare an annexation development plan. Council decided to hold a special
176 meeting on October 26, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. with the Okerlunds. City Recorder Allison Leavitt
177 will contact Okerlunds and see if they can attend the special meeting.

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179 Public Works Director Devin Magleby –

180 *Have a request from Sevier County Sheriff Department Deputies to install a stop sign along
181 300 E to help reduce speeding in the area. Mayor Parsons stated that Public Works Director
182 Devin Magleby should meet with Councilmember Mathie and Streets Foreman John Draper
183 to determine if they agree this will help with the issue and where to place the stop signs.

184 *There are still a lot of trees down from yesterday's early snowstorm. Power outages caused
185 by trees on power lines have all been taken care of.

186 *Employee Miles Mathie will be laid off in two weeks, as per the understanding of when he
187 was hired. Mr. Mathie has been a very good worker for the City.

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190 b. Department Business-Council

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192 Councilmember Cartwright-

193 *Thanked Public Works Devin Magleby, Sexton Shad Lee, and City Recorder Allison Leavitt for
194 their efforts with the cemetery expansion and Veteran's memorial. The projects are
195 progressing as planned.

196 Councilmember Payne-

197 *Irrigation water is now turned off. Citizens did well this year with conserving irrigation
198 water, making it last until October.

199 Councilmember Buchmiller-

200 No further business tonight

201 Councilmember Serrine –

202 *Thanked everyone for their help with the fly-in event.

203 *Enjoyed the Utah League of Cities and Town Conference. Would like Monroe to become a
204 Get Healthy Utah City. There are different projects the City can do to qualify as a Get Healthy
205 Utah City. One suggested project is to have a medication drop off for prescription drugs.

206 Councilmember Serrine would like to do this and will get more information on the program.

207 Mayor Parsons-

208 Would like to give a shout out to our employees and the excellent job they did responding to
209 the early snowstorm that caused power outages and downed trees. The crew started at 5:00
210 a.m. with restoring power, plowing snow, identifying potential problems, and removing tree
211 limbs from power lines, sidewalks, and streets. Appreciated how everyone was willing to
212 jump in and take care of the situation.

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214 **9. Adjournment**

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216 **There being no further business to come before the Council for consideration,**
217 **Councilmember Payne moved the Regular Council Meeting adjourn at 8:11 p.m. The**
218 **motion was seconded Councilmember Buchmiller. The vote was unanimous. The motion**
219 **carried. 4-0**

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221 The next regular City Council meeting is scheduled to be held on Tuesday, October 26 2021
222 starting at 7:00 p.m. at Monroe City Office.

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224 Approved this 26th day of October 2021.

225 Allison Leavitt

226 Monroe City Recorder

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Minutes

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