



MONROE CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
Tuesday, August 27, 2024, at 7:00 pm  
MINUTES

**7:00 p.m.**

1. The regular meeting of the Monroe City Council was called to order by Mayor Parsons at 7:00 p.m.

2. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Johnson. Councilmember Cartwright offered a prayer.

**3. Roll Call**

Mayor Johnny Parsons

Councilmembers:

Janet Cartwright

Ryan Johnson

Michael Mathie

Perry Payne

Erica Serrine

Public Works Director John Draper

Power Foreman Josey Parsons

City Recorder Allison Leavitt

**4. Citizen input – Limit of 3 minutes per comment**

Roxy and Justin Jolley would like to know what the Council plans to develop on the City property located at approximately 600 S and Jones Road. This property is directly east of the Jolley's. Ms. Jolley stated that she is concerned about the view from her house, increased traffic, and wildlife that currently crosses through this property.

Mayor Parsons explained that as of now the City is leveling the property in preparation of installation of a 6' chain link fence on the perimeter of the property. Future plans include a structure being constructed for City equipment to be parked in. Most of this property is located within the City's wellhead protection zone so no building with a septic system can be

38 constructed. Mayor Parsons explained that there are no definite plans on where or what  
39 type of structures will be constructed. Ms. Jolley would like to see trees and landscaping  
40 done in the area and for the Council to be mindful when developing this property since this  
41 property is located near a residential zone.

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43 Mayor Parsons thanked the Jolley's for their input and appreciate the information given to  
44 the Council this evening.

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46 Wes Von Rolleston recently received a letter from Code Enforcement Officer Trevor Peterson  
47 regarding his vehicles and other property located in the City right-of-way. Mr. Von Rolleston  
48 stated that the letter referred to some of his vehicles as junk cars which he stated they are  
49 not junk and all are licensed and insured. Mr. Von Rolleston explained that he has limited  
50 frontage at his property, but that he has moved some of the vehicles into his driveway, but  
51 not all of them.

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53 Mayor Parsons explained that even if they are licensed and insured, they still need to be  
54 moved on a regular basis. Mr. Von Rolleston stated that he believes he has met the  
55 requirements stated in the letter he received. He stated that he cannot move all of his  
56 vehicles that are currently in the right-of-way in front of his house on a daily basis, but he will  
57 be mindful to move them more frequently.

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59 Mr. Von Rolleston stated that he does not enjoy getting letters from the City, they greatly  
60 upset him and would rather have a personal phone call or conversation to discuss issues.  
61 Mayor Parsons then informed Mr. Von Rolleston of the other vehicles he has located at other  
62 properties in town that need to be moved. Including the trailer at 410 S 200 E and a blue  
63 pickup at 395 S 200 E.

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65 Mr. Von Rolleston stated that there are several other property owners that have items and  
66 vehicles in the City right-of-way that should be removed so as not to single him out. Mayor  
67 Parsons explained that we normally respond to complaints and the Council understands that  
68 there are others in violation and that we are working on getting these taken care of. Mr. Von  
69 Rolleston stated that he was not here tonight to make complaints on others, and that he is  
70 going to focus on his property at this time.

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72 Councilmember Mathie explained that the purpose of keeping the right-of-way area clear is  
73 to help with road maintenance. It is impossible to spray weeds when there are items in the  
74 right-of-way that never move. You can see areas where the weeds are growing up around the  
75 items because we cannot get weed spray on them.

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77 Councilmember Payne explained to Mr. Von Rolleston that any vehicle in the right-of-way  
78 should be moved with little notice when needed.

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80 Mayor Parsons thanked Mr. Von Rolleston for his comments tonight and the effort he is  
81 showing in abiding to Monroe City nuisance ordinance.

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83 Jennifer Nackowski, Monroe Historical Society member, commented that the historical  
84 society will be focusing on having pioneer related activities during our 2025 pioneer day  
85 celebration.

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87 **5. Consider a motion to approve the minutes of the meetings held August 13, 2024.**

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89 **Councilmember Payne moved to approve the August 13, 2024, Regular City Council Meeting**  
90 **Minutes as corrected. Councilmember Cartwright seconded the motion. A roll call vote was**  
91 **called. Voting yes: Councilmembers Cartwright, Johnson, Mathie, Payne, and Serrine. The**  
92 **vote was unanimous. The motion carried. 5-0**

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94 **6. Business**

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- 96 a. Public hearing to hear from any person desiring to be heard and objections to a)  
97 designation of the proposed Monroe City, Utah Special Tax Assessment Area No.  
98 2024-01 (Hot Spring Estates) or improvements proposed to be provided in said  
99 assessment area; b) that amount that a property reasonably and equitably  
100 benefits from the improvements; and c) the inclusion of unassessed benefitted  
101 government property (of which there is none.)

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103 Mayor Parsons opened the public hearing at 7:18 p.m. to receive comments or objections to  
104 Monroe City Utah Special Tax Assessment Area No. 2024-01(Hot Springs Estates).

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106 Mayor Parsons explained that the special tax assessment is regarding the resolution the  
107 Council passed during our regular City Council meeting held on July 9, 2024. This assessment  
108 will be placed on lots located in the Hot Springs Estates; most property owners have agreed  
109 to pay the cost of the improvements but there are a few property owners that have not  
110 communicated with the developer therefore their share of the costs for the improvements  
111 will be assessed on their property.

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113 There being no further comments, Mayor Parsons closed the hearing at 7:19 p.m.

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- 115 b. 24th of July Car Show - Dave Coe

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117 Dave Coe explained to the Council that he was asked in a nonofficial manner to hold a car  
118 show during the 24<sup>th</sup> of July BBQ and he would like to know if this is something the Council  
119 would like him to organize one for next year. The Council appreciates his time and efforts this  
120 year to put on the car show and would appreciate him doing it again next year if he thinks it  
121 is a worthwhile event.

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123 Mr. Coe stated that it is very hot in the elementary school area where the car show needs to  
124 be held and asked if a large tent, similar to what the City has set up on the park for the BBQ,  
125 could be set up for the car owners to sit under. The car owners do not like to leave their cars,  
126 and this would provide them with some shade. Mr. Coe also asked if dinner could be  
127 included in their entry fee and dinners brought over to the tent area for them.

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129 Public Works Director John Draper stated that the City's tents are beginning to show some  
130 wear and that he has been looking into the cost of new tents. It was discussed that if the City  
131 were to purchase a new tent one of the old ones could be set up for the car show. City  
132 Recorder Allison Leavitt stated that the tent for the car show would need to be taken down  
133 that evening because this is the area where vendor booths are set up at 6:00 a.m. the  
134 morning of July 24<sup>th</sup>.

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136 Mr. Coe stated he would like to also hold a car show on June 7, 2025, in the Lion's park. This  
137 car show would hopefully attract car owners from outside of our area. As part of this event,  
138 he would like to have a cruise, a parade of cars, on Main street. Mr. Coe was instructed to  
139 work with City Recorder Allison Leavitt on obtaining a parade permit with UDOT.

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141 c. Monroe City surplus property

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143 Water Foreman Darrell Payne has stated that the City has a non-functioning fire hydrant to  
144 be placed on the City's property surplus list.

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146 **Councilmember Mathie moved to approve adding a non-functioning fire hydrant to the**  
147 **City's Property Surplus List. Councilmember Payne seconded the motion. A roll call vote was**  
148 **called. Voting yes: Councilmembers Cartwright, Johnson, Mathie, Payne, and Serrine. The**  
149 **vote was unanimous. The motion carried. 5-0**

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## 151 **7. Other Business**

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153 a. Staff Reports

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155 City Recorder Allison Leavitt

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157 \*RFQ has been published regarding engineering for the new Senior Citizen Building.

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159 \*Delivered department budgets to each Councilmember

160 Power Foreman Josey Parsons

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162 \*Met with representatives from Utility Financial Solutions (UFS) to review the final data  
163 concerning our Power Cost Adjustment (PCA). It was determined that the charge will be  
164 based on a 12-month rolling average methodology and will occur on each monthly bill. Over  
165 the past four years the power department has spent \$300,000 more on purchased power  
166 than collected. Because of this deficit, \$0.00 will be our lowest PCA rate, meaning that we  
167 will not be crediting our customers' accounts if the formula dictates a credit.

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169 As we move forward with the generator project there will be some costs. Power Foreman  
170 Josey Parsons has been in contact with local representatives of Dominion Energy, natural gas,  
171 and they are working on getting him contact information for the person that handles this  
172 type of request for their company. Once we can determine that there is sufficient natural gas  
173 for the generator, then we can move forward with obtaining air quality permits. It will be the  
174 air quality permits that we may see some costs. The Council stated that we need to continue  
175 to investigate all of our options because we are going to have to do something for the future  
176 of our power department when coal is no longer a viable option.

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178 Foreman Josey Parsons explained that UAMPS members, including himself, will be going to  
179 Tucson, AZ to tour a power plant that compares to the peaking plant that UAMPS is  
180 considering building.

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182 It was decided that when Power Foreman Josey Parsons has cost estimates on discussed  
183 options it will be on the agenda for the Council to consider.

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185 Public Works Director John Draper –

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187 \*Looking into the cost of new tents – we now have 2 20' x 30' and 1 10' x 20'.

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189 \*Doug Monroe, 5<sup>th</sup> Ward Bishop, has asked if his ward could construct a handicap ramp for  
190 fishing at the fishing pond. As the Council discussed this it was decided that there were too  
191 many risks associated with a ramp at the fishing pond. The Council discussed other possible  
192 service projects the ward could do, and one suggestion was painting pickleball court lines on  
193 the basketball court at Mtn. View Park.

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195 b. Department Business-Council

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197 Councilmember Cartwright-

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199 \*Reminded Councilmembers of the ribbon cutting for the cemetery roads to be held  
200 September 14, 2024, at 11:00 a.m.

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202 Councilmember Serrine –

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204 \*Met with Chad Lloyd, Sevier School District, Public Works Director John Draper, and Park  
205 Foreman Rhett Colby at the tennis court to decide on how much property would be included  
206 in the tennis court property transfer to the school district.

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208 The school district would like to have enough property surrounding the tennis courts so  
209 sidewalks could be installed and water from the sprinklers would not hit the courts. City  
210 Recorder Allison Leavitt has contacted and is waiting for confirmation on how much area  
211 there needs to be from the soccer field and a sidewalk. There does not seem to be any issues  
212 on the other sides of the courts.

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214 The school district will have the property surveyed and legal description prepared for  
215 recording, will maintain the lights at the tennis courts if the City provides power at no cost,  
216 and will purchase bleachers at \$5,000 per set.

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218 \*Lindsey Rippa-Burns has rented vans to provide transportation for the flyers in the  
219 upcoming competitions, and Councilmember Serrine has given permission for them to park  
220 the vans at the landing zone.

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222 \*Jones and DeMille Engineering recently held a community service project where they  
223 assembled the remaining set of bleachers and spread gravel at Mtn. View Park.

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225 Councilmember Mathie –

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227 No further business.

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229 Councilmember Johnson-

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233 Councilmember Payne-

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235 \*Recently attended UAMPS annual conference. UAMPS did a good job giving out information  
236 on what the power industry is looking like for the future.

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Mayor Parsons-

\*Public Power Picnic was held last night, Monday August 26, 2024, served nearly 550 people. Thanks to all those that helped with the event.

\*Was contacted by Angie Earl, who had received a letter from our Code Enforcement Officer Trevor Peterson. The letter had stated that her items would be towed away if not taken care of within 30 days. Ms. Earl explained to Mayor Parsons that the trailer belonged to previous owner Wes Von Rolleston, grass clippings were going to be used in the next few weeks as mulch for her new lawn, and the remaining items she would take care of. Mayor Parsons told her that if these things were done, she would be following our nuisance ordinance. Mr. Von Rolleston was informed earlier in tonight’s meeting that the trailer needs to be moved.

The Council discussed that we need to educate our residents that the right-of-way is not their property and misusing the property is not allowed. City staff will work on a notification process to help alleviate the problems we are seeing.

**8. Adjournment**

**There being no further business to come before the Council for consideration, Councilmember Mathie moved the Regular Council Meeting adjourn at 8:15 p.m. Councilmember Serrine seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried. 5-0**

The next regular City Council meeting is scheduled to be held on Tuesday, September 10, 2024 starting at 7:00 p.m. at Monroe City Office.

Approved this 10<sup>th</sup> day of September 2024.



Allison Leavitt  
Monroe City Recorder



Johnny C. Parsons  
Mayor