

**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
MCLEANSBORO CITY COUNCIL
February 8, 2022
102 West Main Street
6:00 P.M.**

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Mayor Chad May called the regular meeting of the McLeansboro City Council to order. Roll call: Don Cox, Tom Maulding, Billy Glenn, Tom Murk, Sharon Bowman, Jeff Johnson - present.

Mr. Cox made a MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF JANUARY 10, 2022, second Mr. Johnson. Roll call: Cox, Johnson, Maulding, Glenn, Murk, Bowman. Ayes – 6. Nay – 0. Motion passed.

Justin Barrow presented the Public Works department report for January 2022, Chief Nathan Taylor presented the Police Department report for January 2022 and Fire Chief Jim Morris presented the Fire Department report for January 2022.

Mrs. Brooke Morrison from Bellwether discussed several reports regarding budget, expenditures, and revenue. Mr. Cox made a MOTION TO APPROVE THE DECEMBER FINANCIAL REPORTS, JANUARY COLLECTOR'S & TREASURER'S REPORTS AND JANUARY BILLS & TRANSFERS, second Mr. Johnson. Roll call: Cox, Johnson, Maulding, Glenn, Murk, Bowman. Ayes – 6. Nay – 0. Motion passed.

Ms. Angie Strickland, a representative from ROC One Stop in McLeansboro spoke during public comments. She asked the council to allow liquor sales on Sunday. There were no further public comments.

The February 2022 Zoning Report was presented to the council. Mr. Murk made a MOTION TO APPROVE THE FEBRUARY 2022 ZONING REPORT AS PRESENTED, second Mr. Maulding. Roll Call: Murk, Maulding, Cox, Glenn, Bowman, Johnson. Ayes – 6. Nay – 0. Motion passed.

Mr. Glenn made a MOTION TO ACCEPT THE LOW PROPOSAL OF \$7,500.00 FROM KYLE POORE TO TEAR DOWN THE HOUSE LOCATED AT 211 SOUTH LOCUST, second Mr. Johnson. Roll Call: Glenn, Johnson, Cox, Maulding, Murk, Bowman. Ayes – 6. Nay – 0. Motion passed.

Mayor May read the bids submitted to the city for the demolition and cleanup of the building located at 508 South Jackson. The bids were as follows: Kyle Poore - \$26,000, Earth Services - \$34,700 and Big Creek Excavation - \$43,900. Mr. Murk made a MOTION TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID FROM KYLE POORE FOR THE DEMOLITION AND CLEANUP OF THE BUILDING LOCATED AT 508 SOUTH JACKSON STREET, second Mr. Johnson. Roll Call: Murk, Johnson, Cox, Maulding, Glenn, Bowman. Ayes – 5. Nay – 1. Motion passed.

Mr. Murk made a MOTION FOR THE CITY TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH USDI TO PROVIDE ENGINEERING AND OPERATIONAL SERVICES, second Mr. Johnson. Roll Call: Murk, Johnson, Cox, Maulding, Glenn, Bowman. Ayes – 6. Nay – 0. Motion passed.

Mayor May read aloud Ordinance #22-1068 (attached) changing Article II “City Officials”, Division 1 “City Council” section 1-2-2 “Regular Meeting” in the McLeansboro City Code Book.

Mr. Glenn made a MOTION TO PUBLISH A REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) FOR AUDITING THE CITY FINANCIALS, second Mr. Johnson. Roll Call: Glenn, Johnson, Cox, Maulding, Murk, Bowman. Ayes – 6. Nay – 0. Motion passed.

Mr. Maulding made a MOTION TO APPROVE THE LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS EXTENSION AND THE CITY OF MCLEANSBORO FOR THE “GIFT GARDEN”, second Mr. Glenn. Roll Call: Maulding, Glenn, Cox, Murk, Bowman, Johnson. Ayes – 6. Nay – 0. Motion passed.

At approximately, 7:00PM, Mr. Cox made a MOTION TO CONVENE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION UNDER SECTION 2(C)(1) OF THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT FOR DISCUSSION ON EMPLOYMENT OF SPECIFIC INDIVIDUALS, second Glenn. Roll Call: Cox, Glenn, Maulding, Murk, Bowman, Johnson. Ayes – 6. Nay – 0. Motion passed.

At approximately 9:10PM, Mr. Glenn made a MOTION TO RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION, second Mr. Cox. Roll Call: Glenn, Cox, Murk, Bowman, Johnson. Ayes – 5. Nay – 0. Motion passed.

At approximately 7:50pm Tom Maulding left the meeting.

Mr. Johnson made a MOTION TO OPEN THE APPLICATIONS FOR THE ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT TO THE PUBLIC, second Mr. Cox. Roll Call: Johnson, Cox, Glenn, Murk, Bowman. Ayes – 5. Nay – 0. Motion passed.

Mr. Murk made a MOTION TO PROMOTE MR. ROBERT LENARD, JR. TO GAS DEPARTMENT FOREMAN, second Mr. Johnson. Roll Call: Murk, Johnson, Cox, Glenn, Bowman. Ayes – 5. Nay – 0. Motion passed.

At approximately 9:20pm, having completed City business, Mr. Cox made a MOTION TO ADJOURN, second Mr. Johnson. A voice vote was taken without dissent. Meeting Adjourned.

ATTEST:

Chad May, Mayor

Jodi Brockett, City Clerk

