

**SPECIAL MEETING
CITY OF MCLEANSBORO
November 20, 2014 – 4:00 P.M.
CITY HALL**

Mayor Deitz called the meeting to order. Roll call: Mark Beck, Don Cox, Dennis Crain, Richard Lasswell, James Mason, Mike Stanart – present.

A note from the Lovella Craddock was read thanking the City for the opportunity to speak at the November 12th Council Meeting.

Following discussion, Mr. Beck made the MOTION TO PROVIDE **FIFTY (50.00) DOLLAR BONUS INCENTIVES FOR EACH MCLEANSBORO VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT FIREFIGHTER COMPLETING CERTIFICATION**, second Mr. Lasswell. Roll call: Beck, Lasswell, Mason, Cox, Crain. Ayes – 5. Nay – 0. Absent – Stanart.

Following discussion, Mr. Lasswell made the MOTION TO PURCHASE FIRE DEPARTMENT EQUIPMENT, second Mr. Cox. Roll call: Lasswell, Cox, Mason, Crain, Beck. Ayes – 5. Nay – 0. Absent – Stanart.

Following discussion, Mr. Cox made the MOTION TO PROVIDE A **ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIVE (125.00) CHRISTMAS BONUS TO THE EACH OF THE FULL TIME MEMBERS OF THE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT**, second Mr. Mason. Roll call: Cox, Mason, Lasswell, Crain, Beck. Ayes – 5. Nay – 0. Absent – Stanart.

The Council discussed the options regarding the purchase of a property. The Mayor asked that Aldermen meet with him on Monday, 24th November 2014 for a walk though to determine whether further interest was warranted, with possible intent to present proposals at the December Council Meeting.

Following discussion, Mr. Crain made the MOTION APPROVING THE REQUEST FROM HAMILTON COUNTY TELEPHONE CO-OP TO INSTALL FIBER OPTIC SERVICES TO A BUSINESS LOCATED AT XXX RANDOLPH STREET, second Mr. Beck. Roll call: Crain, Beck, Lasswell, Mason, Cox, Stanart. Ayes-6. Nay-0.

Following discussion, Mr. Mason made the MOTION TO HIRE JOSEPH RUSH AS A FULL-TIME POLICE OFFICER BEGINNING NOVEMBER 30TH 2014, second, Mr. Lasswell. Roll call: Mason, Lasswell, Beck, Cox, Crain, Stanart. Ayes-6. Nay-0.

The Mayor announced Monday, November 24th as the make-up date for changing Circuit 6. The power outage will affect the area of McLeansboro west of Marshall Street

and along and north of Randolph Street/Illinois Rt. 14 between the hours of 8:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m. Tuesday morning.

Alderman Beck requested clarification on wheel chair accessibility at the Lake McLeansboro Pavilion. Windell Bowman will be asked to investigate the location and make suggestions as to how accessibility can be improved.

Alderman Beck requested clarification as to whether a street light could be put up on the Randolph Street/ Illinois Rt. 14 curve between West and McCoy Streets in Diamond City. The Mayor announced that John Karcher was aware of the lighting concerns, and when Diamond City is converted to City power a street light will be provided.

Mr. Cox made the MOTION TO ADJURN, second by Mr. Beck. Roll call: Cox, Beck, Crain, Stanart, Lasswell, Mason. Ayes-6. Nay-0

Respectfully submitted,

Frederic Vallowe, City Clerk