CITY OF MONTELLO

COMMON COUNCIL MINUTES

8-1-22

Meeting called to order at 7 PM by Mayor Jim Houdek

**Members Present**: Sue Kozlowski, Lucas Stelter, Bill Faulkner, Venise Mugler, Ken Streich, Dennis Schrimpf, Brian Schrimpf

**Member Excused**: Ron Knutson

**Others Present**: Matt Faltz, Vicky Albrecht, Pat Remow, Craig Remour, Lisa Cartwright, Rodene Krueger, Jeannie Tausey, Richard Bechler, Phyllis Mobie, Todd Turner

Motion by Streich/Mugler to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Motion by Mugler/Faulkner to approve 7-11-22 Council minutes. Motion carried.

Motion by Streich/Kozlowski to approve the July, 2022 voucher list. Motion carried.

Motion by Knutson/Kozlowski to approve the 7-20-22 Park Board minutes. Motion carried.

Motion by Mugler/Faulkner to approve the 7-12-22 Plan Commission minutes. Motion carried.

Motion by Faulkner/Stelter to approve the 7-20-22 Public Safety minutes. Motion carried.

Motion by D. Mugler/Faulkner to approve the 7-13-22 Public Works minutes. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS**:

1. SENIOR CITIZEN’S REQUEST FOR 2023 FUNDING.
* Several Senior citizen’s were present and stated that due to the fact that the Senior Dome is self-supporting, expenses have increased and budget has decreased, asked if the City would re-consider a donation to the Sr. Dome for 2023. The City has in the past given donations of $1200, $1000, $250 but that donation was cut from the budget 5 years ago.
* Mayor Houdek asked how much the dues were ($15 per year) and if there were members that live outside of the City limits. (Yes, Senior membership is open to all Marquette Co. residents). Houdek then asked if funds have been requested from the County and other governmental agencies. The group has not approached any other governmental agencies but they will do so.
* Houdek stated that the 2023 budget process is starting and he will take their request to the Finance committee.
1. RESOLUTION 2022-04 – RESOLUTION TO VACATE SOUTH LAKE ST.

Motion by Mugler/Faulkner to approve Resolution 2022-04-Resolution relative to discontinuing a portion of Lake Street lying in the City of Montello, Marquette County, Wisconsin, pursuant to Wis.State. 66.1003.

Roll Call Vote: Kozlowski: yes Stelter: yes Faulkner: yes Mugler: yes Streich: yes D. Schrimpf: yes Brian Schrimpf: yes Motion carried.

**MAYOR’S COMMENTS**:

* Met again with the new owners of the 3 buildings; formerly Trigger’s and Barbershop. More action still going on and when finished there will be three new store fronts in the City.

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

* A citizen asked if anything can be done about the corner of Lake Ave. and Underwood Ave. Vehicles parked at the Emporium are blocking views from westbound traffic coming into the City. Very hazardous and dangerous. Mayor Houdek stated that the owners had been parking in the library parking lot but have stopped doing that. He also stated that no parking signs have been put up on Lake Ave.; but still people are parking there. Houdek will talk to the owners.
* Citizen expressed his concern about the house across the street from him (East Montello St.) Asked about a City Ordinance that had been talked about and why that hadn’t been addressed. Houdek stated that the Ordinance was discussed at the Public Safety Committee and that it will now go before License and Ordinance.
* Citizen asked if a speed limit sign, 55 to 45 could be put up east of town on Hwy 23. Right now the speed limit goes from 55 to 25. Mayor stated that a speed zone change on a highway is determined by the number of driveways and traffic flow.
* Council member Faulkner suggested filing a petition with the Department of Transportation as he had done a few years ago, to have the speed limit changed from 55 to 45 west of town. (Hwy 23/Underwood Ave.) It eventually was changed to 45.

Motion by Mugler/Streich to adjourn. Motion carried at 7:40 pm.

Minutes by Dawn Calnin