Monday, June 20, 2024, 5:30 PM

# Call to Order by the Mayor:

* + Mayor’s welcome
  + Acknowledge attendees and thank them for coming.

# Pledge of Allegiance/Invocation:

* + Pledge to the flag.
  + Invocation.

# Approval of Agenda and Minutes:

* + Review and approve the meeting agenda.
  + Confirm the accuracy of minutes from the previous council meeting and approve.

# Public Comments and Invited Guests:

* + Unscheduled Public may share thoughts and concerns – two-minute time limit.
  + Invited guests –
    - * Mr. Carey Justice – wishes to discuss removal of debris from his property where Molena was formerly dumping.
      * Eric Patterson-Would like to get an exception to have a trailer on property while building the house
      * Skip Ferron-Landscaping around the pavilion and the water runoff.

# Chief of Police Report:

* + Overview of previous month’s statistics
    1. 126 calls including 64 traffic
  + Vehicle mileage, condition, loan balances
  + FirstNet
  + InterOps

# Reports from Council and Committees:

* + Building and grounds
    1. Have been notified the occupants of 75 E. Jones Street are living in a camper behind the dwelling. This is contrary to Molena Ordinance.
       - We provisionally approve exceptions to this for construction when requested once plans have been provided and a timeline stated.
       - Specific guidelines are in the ordinance to grant the exception otherwise, but they do require that someone be living in the dwelling in all instances. (attaching those guidelines.) Remember two public hearings and an additional meeting to vote for or against a zoning exception. This one is apparently not short term.
    2. Mr. Shane Martin cut back the limbs that were grown around the power line running from the transformer to the boxes behind the jail. They had grown to the point that they pushed the line down about three feet.
    3. Limbs are growing around a power line attached to Mr. Parks’ building, but we do not believe there is power to that line. Next steps? Call Mr. Rios to trim these back? They are too high for Mr. Martin to address.
    4. Mr. Martin is requesting a new, lighter weight weed eater for Public Works. See quotes from Farm Supply and Country Oaks Farm & Home Supply
    5. Molena Automotive has been providing service for the Grasshopper and Hustler. Continue to use their services?
    6. Purchase trailer for city use?
    7. Revisit painting and lining the tennis court for both tennis and pickleball?
    8. Revisit fences at the tennis court/basketball court
       - Need to place mulch. Is Mr. Rios still willing to provide it?
       - Find a better location for the basketball goal near pavilion?
    9. Chain has been placed on City dumpster behind fire station. Signs have not been ordered at this time.
    10. Molena Sand Pit accepting tree-trimming debris.
    11. Trailer on Grubbs – the owner has requested a demolition permit.
    12. Sherrie Duncan of Molena Sand Pit is assisting with removal of pile at Mr. Justice’s property line.
    13. Resident is within 10 days of moving into 345 Daniel Road property. Will need POP installed at 225 Daniel Road prior to that date. The plan is to use the 345 Daniel location to “bounce” the signal to the St Lawrence Square area. It will take one more “bounce” to get it to 97 Judy Court. – need approval for expense up to $2,500 please.
  + Public Safety
    1. Please see quotes from PrimeTime Electric, Inc. and Mr. Jacob Snyder regarding the electrical repairs required at the Fire Department
    2. Estimated completion date of repairs to ’18 Dodge Charger 6/10/2024.
    3. GDOT replaced bulbs in the flashing lights at the center of town.
  + Ways and Means
  + Technology
    1. Quotes from All & Everything LLC and PrimeTime Electric Inc regarding meter base at 130 Garland Street
    2. Please see quotes from Jacob Snyder and Prime Time Electrical regarding the panel behind the jail (where Broadband is powered)
    3. Discuss camera quotes and other options for the required security
  + Water
    1. Please see quotes from PrimeTime Electrical and Mr. Jacob Snyder (All & Everything) regarding Electrical work at the Bagwell Pump house.
    2. See quote from Leonard Perez Pumps & Softeners, Inc. regarding hydrant flush program
    3. Pipe was delivered to Pike County Public Works for the W. Jones Street project. (See Cherokee invoice for Council Approval – already paid)
    4. Possibly remove the plastic coating from the plexiglass on the basketball goals?
    5. Move the bolt to the correct place on the basketball on the city side.

# Mayor’s Report:

* + Important announcements, initiatives, or community events.
    1. Becky Watts /Facebook Queen
    2. Hazard Mitigation plan wish list. If we need to add anything to the wish list, we should advise
  + Discuss any citywide developments or policy updates.
    1. See two ordinance questions.
       - Rezone Grace Baptist Church to allow for thrift shop to continue
       - 31 E Jones Street AirBnB How to accommodate short-term rentals
    2. Discuss having Pike County collect property taxes.

# Old Business:

* + Review previously discussed items that require further attention.
    1. Cameras (also above under technology)
    2. Electrical quotes (also above under various committees)

1. Findings regarding by the drink Sunday Sales
   * Molena has never voted to approve by-the-drink Sunday Sales of alcohol.
   * Voted to allow package Sunday Sales when Mayor Garner\* was mayor.
2. Councilmember financials are due.
   * Only one councilmember has not submitted at this point.
   * Determine next steps or address unresolved issues.

# New Business:

* + Approve invoices if any.
  + Verizon Water Tower Lease -
  + Short-Term Vacation Rental (STVE) ordinance to regulate Airbnb’s (also above)
  + Need IGA with Pike County for insurance
  + Need MOU between City of Molena and Friends of the J. Joel Edwards Public Library

# Executive Session (if applicable):

* + Closed-door session for confidential discussions (e.g., legal matters, personnel issues).
  + Only authorized attendees may participate.

# Additional Business:

* + New Resolutions/Ordinance discussion and approval if warranted.

# Roundtable Discussion:

* + Open dialogue Council members share additional thoughts, ideas, or concerns.

# Adjournment:

* + Conclude the meeting.
  + Next meeting is Monday, July 08, 2024, 6:00 PM