

CITY OF MONROE
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 16, 2012

Regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Monroe, Michigan held on Monday, April 16, 2012 at 7:30 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers.

Present: Council Members Molenda, Beneteau, Hensley, McKart, Bica and Mayor Clark.

Excused: Council Member Kansier.

Charles D. Evans, Clerk-Treasurer gave the invocation.

Mayor Clark noted that Girl Scout Troop no. 21593 that was scheduled to lead the Pledge of Allegiance will reschedule on another date and he looked to the Clerk-Treasurer to lead the Pledge.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Charles Evans, Clerk-Treasurer.

Presentation.

C&D Hughes, Inc., related to the company's claim for payment for infrastructure construction.

David Hughes, C&D Hughes, Vice-President of Operations, 3097 Lansing Road, Charlotte, Michigan presented five (5) bullet points and noted the issues with each point:

- **M125** – completion date was 9/1/11, the right of way approval date was 10/4/11, project started after the permit was approved. City of Monroe wants to charge liquidated damages and that's hard to do when a job cannot be started until after the completion date.
- **Concrete Patching for M125** – MDOT required 10" concrete patch, the City listed an 8" pavement item. To date there is no agreement with the City on the price for a square yard. This is an addition item to the contract.
- **Kentucky Storm Sewer** – this project was done twice due to an engineering error. The City has submitted partial payments on each time the project was done.
- **Time and Materials** – throughout the project there were unforeseen time and materials costs of \$68,000, and those costs are not resolved.
- **Un-Paid Quantities to Date** – Brad Smith, Brad McKay and Brent Bedaine, C&D Hughes representatives, have not been paid.

David Hughes, C&D Hughes noted that the City still owes C&D Hughes \$346,000.

Mayor Clark suggested the Mr. Hughes submit his issues and documentation to Tom Ready, City Attorney.

Proclamation.

64 Earth Day – April 21, 2012.

Mayor Clark said that he will not present the Proclamation this evening because he will present it on Saturday, April 21, at 10:00 a.m. as Earth Day will be celebrated in Loranger Square and invited everyone out to see the exhibits and to participate in the activities.

Public Hearing.

53 This being the date set to hear public comments on proposed Ordinance No. 12-003, an ordinance to adopt the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Budget for the City of Monroe, and there being no comments on file in writing in the Clerk-Treasurer's Office, the Mayor declared the public hearing opened.

Mayor Clark: "Any comments from Council? Councilman McKart."

Council Member McKart: "Thank you your Honor, Under the Public Safety police and fire; at our work session dealing with that, the issue came up about the, I call it a buffer, the Public Safety Director, we are paying him \$85,000 a year, and we have a Fire Chief. I remember that during the presentation which the Chief of Police did a really good job on his presentation but the question came up about the Fire Chief who was sitting there saying that he has 22 years of experience. It was referred to him during the conversation that he was still green and I asked him how long he had worked for the Fire Department and he said 22 years. Now this is a trained fireman who is now the Fire Chief but I missed something that night and I had a meeting with him recently because I remember reading in the Monroe Evening News about him getting his masters degree and I asked him what it was in and his degree is in Organizational Public Administration. I've thought about this and I needed to bring this up, we need to move forward and install him as the Fire Chief, he has all the credentials, 22 years experience, has a master's degree and the very thing that we're paying another guy \$85,000 for, and who could retire, is eligible for retirement. I know that if this happens he gets six (6) months' severance pay but I think that we should move on and the Fire Chief become the true Fire Chief and work with the City Police chief to work on putting together the Public Safety Officers. So my thought, I know most of you sitting here have degrees and you got those degrees to advance your employment opportunities and we now have a Fire Chief, Manuel Hoskins who is outstanding and I've talked to some of his co-workers who said that if you rated his integrity from 0-10, it would be a 10 and they would follow this guy anywhere. He is really thought well of and I even asked one of the members of the Civil Service Commission, Dick Turner, and he said Manuel Hoskins is the most prepared Fire Chief that he has ever seen come before the board and I just saying, you're spending \$85,000 when we should be moving forward with our own person. That's my comment and I know that issue was raised at budget time but it missed me, it got by me about his educational background, but that's the issue I raise."

Mayor Clark: "I'd just like to have some clarification because Manuel Hoskins is the Fire Chief and you said Public Safety or are you talking about the Deputy Public Safety?"

Council Member McKart: "Deputy Public Safety Officer, Mr. Mominee. I'm sorry, I misspoke on that."

Mayor Clark: "Ok, I thought that was what you meant but I just wanted to make sure everybody was clear on what we're conversing about. Ok, thank you."

Council Member McKart: "I apologize for that I meant to say Deputy Public Safety. I'm going to make this motion, and I probably... (Inaudible)"

Mayor Clark: "Before we take a motion... (Inaudible) ...any comments from those present this evening? Yes sir."

David Smith, 530 Hollywood: "Well the document itself is pretty massive and I did set through most of the budget workshops and you did a great job in my opinion. Line item five (5) to fund a retiree's benefits is a must; we're not keeping up with our actuarial projection. If we don't do something soon we're going to have to have probably a special bond issue, a levy millage or perhaps even an income tax so I think to avoid that, passing it as it is written tonight is a good idea, so I propose that we should do that. Thank you."

Mayor Clark: "Thank you Mr. Smith. Other comments from those here this evening regarding this public hearing on item 53, the proposed budget? I will have a comment but I want to see if there are any others first. I do want to

make a comment regarding the Public Safety as we've transitioned; Manuel Hoskins is the Fire Chief and I think he is qualified and I think he is doing a good job as the Fire Chief. Part of the transition from one position to another, there is a timeframe; I think he does have great qualifications I think he has a great educational background and I think he is doing what is being asked of a Fire Chief. Yes there is currently a Deputy Public Safety Director and he has no oversight over the Fire Department. Chief Hoskins is the Chief and does have full control of the operations over the Fire Department. The Deputy Public Safety Director position is about policy and procedure. It's trying to blend the procedures and set structure and guidelines for both the Police Department and the Fire Department. There are many policies and procedures that need to be written and drafted and revised for the Public Safety Division, as it is formulating. So I think that, as I made my comment at the public hearing, I think it was Councilman Kansier that brought that up as well and I'll try to remember as close as I can to what I said, it was probably closer to what Councilman Kansier position regarding the Deputy Public Safety Director position and the long term need for it. I think there will be a time in the near future that there won't be a need for a separate Deputy Public Safety Director but at this time I do support it as it's in the budget. Councilman McKart, oh and Mr. Ready."

Tom Ready, Attorney: "Just a point of order, it sounded as though Councilman McKart was considering making a motion with reference to the Budget Ordinance and he certainly may do that but I think at this point we're only at the public hearing stage and it will be considered later for action."

Mayor Clark: "Yeah, that's correct and it will come after the multiple public hearings that we have on the agenda here this evening but it will come back up under Council Action under VII. Other comments regarding the public hearing?" Hearing no other comments, the Mayor declared the public hearing closed.

55 This being the date set to hear public comments on the special assessment roll for the expenses of unpaid rental property inspection fees where the owners have failed to pay for same, and there being no comments on file in writing in the Clerk-Treasurer's Office.

Mayor Clark: "Thank you Mr. Evans for providing Council an updated list. It might take me a moment to find the exact pages as we go through this..."

Charles D. Evans, Clerk-Treasurer: "It may not be in complete order your honor."

Mayor Clerk: "No, no that's fine this is helpful because if there's those that may wish to speak we can make references to those if we can find them here on the list. At this point I'll open the public hearing for item number 55, a public hearing to hear public comments on special assessment roll for the expenses of unpaid rental property inspection fees; any comments from Council? ; Yes, Councilman Hensley."

Council Member Hensley: "Just a quick question, as we go through this public hearing tonight there's still a chance for those with these fees to get with the department head's and correct these and so forth before it actually rolls onto the tax base, correct?"

Mayor Clark: "Yes, thank you and I appreciate that because Mr. Evans and I did speak to that before tonight's meeting. Mr. Evans, for those that may be here or may be listening, if there was a desire to come in and pay those tomorrow that would alleviate this moving forward, if you'd respond please."

Charles D. Evans, Clerk-Treasurer: "Our office will take the payment your honor or if there is discussion regarding the charges they will need to go to the proper department, we did not issue the invoice your honor."

Mayor Clark: "Thank you, in fact I know that as early as this afternoon there was a visit to the Department of Engineering and the person was able to speak with Mr. Lewis, presented some information that allowed for a resolution and compromise, I guess I'll say, in what was at least posted here and if there's those that have disputes,

that is still an avenue with Mr. Lewis or other areas to make sure that this gets, if you want to still resolve it tomorrow. Thank you Mr. Evans, thank you Councilman Hensley. Mr. Brown."

George Brown, City Manager: "Your honor, individuals who are here with a particular concern about a proposed lien or billings unpaid, should speak at this hearing so that they, this is part of the process before appealing anything they disagree with in that regards."

Mayor Clark: "Thank you for that reminder, that is correct, if you are here on any of these and wish to make your position known, now is the appropriate time to speak as each of these come up. We have several public hearing just for everybody's awareness so if you're here about grass cutting please wait for that public hearing, if you're here about snow removal wait for that one. The current one that's the public hearing that is open is regarding rental property inspection fees, so if you have that issue, now is the appropriate time to speak. Yes ma'am."

Teresa Leathery: "I own 1020 East First Street and I have got, they fixed the sidewalk in front of my house, personally I do not live there..."

Mayor Clark: "Ok, ma'am is this about a rental property?"

Teresa Leathery: "Yes."

Mayor Clark: "Or is this about a sidewalk invoice, which was received?"

Teresa Leathery: "Well, my daughter lives there, I don't live there."

Mayor Clark: "No, my question is your concern about a rental inspection fee or a sidewalk fee?"

Teresa Leathery: "Sidewalk fee."

Mayor Clark: "Ok, we're talking about rental inspections; I'll let you know when we're talking about that, ok."

Teresa Leathery: "Ok."

Mayor Clark: "I won't miss you. Thank you ma'am. Yes sir."

John Baldwin, 627 Smith Street: "I received an invoice for the amount of \$300 per unit that is a duplex; I never received any of the invoices prior to that and I came in and spoke with them at the office and they said to come to this meeting. So if I can come tomorrow and resolve this issue..."

Mayor Clark: "Have you owned the property for a long period of time, has it been transitioned or..."

John Baldwin, 627 Smith Street: "I've owned it for a long time, yes, and I've never had any issue before with having it inspected, I don't have any problem with paying my inspection fees or the bills, I just never received the invoice that was sent to me prior to receiving this one."

Mayor Clark: "Do you know when it was last inspected?"

John Baldwin, 627 Smith Street: "I do not have that specific information but I think it's every three (3) years and apparently it's been approximately four (4) years since it was last inspected so I missed the last inspection date and didn't realize the time had come and went."

Mayor Clark: "You stopped in this morning?"

John Baldwin, 627 Smith Street: "I was, I've been stopping in, stopped in several times this past, last and they told me to come here tonight."

Mayor Clark: "So you're contesting whether you should be paying the fee for this amount."

John Baldwin, 627 Smith Street: "Well no, I should pay the \$75 per unit certainly, but the \$300 per unit is a little..."

Mayor Clark: "That must include delinquent fees, is that correct?"

John Baldwin, 627 Smith Street: "According to this, yes, it says it went from \$75 to \$150 and then to \$300 and I never received any of the other invoices prior to this one."

Mayor Clark: "Mr. Brown..."

George Brown, City Manager: "Your honor, if we could have that address again for the..."

John Baldwin, 627 Smith Street: "627 Smith Street is the address of the property."

Mayor Clark: "Your mailing address is on Eggert?"

John Baldwin, 627 Smith Street: "Yes it is,"

Mayor Clark: "That's the address that's listed here."

John Baldwin, 627 Smith Street: "Yes."

Mayor Clark: "12136?"

John Baldwin, 627 Smith Street: "Yes."

Mayor Clark: "Councilman Beneteau..."

Council Member Beneteau: "It appears that there's two (2) different charges, is there another address besides the 627 Smith?"

John Baldwin, 627 Smith Street: "It's a duplex."

Mayor Clark: "So while the address that is the rental is 627, it lists your home address, your other address in Dundee as the mailing address and you're saying that you do not receive it there."

John Baldwin, 627 Smith Street: "I didn't receive it, no, as far as the the two (2). I received this one at my home in Dundee, but they said they mailed me two other ones prior to that but for whatever reason I never received them."

George Brown, City Manager: "Your honor, that's, from my understanding, the usual, it would have been the initial invoice for \$75 per mailed to the, usually the address that's listed on the property record card for the owner and then at least one (1) and then the second one goes out as a delinquent notice also and then at the point where it's proposed to be place as a lien as Mr. Baldwin stated is the latest notice for a hearing was sent out."

Mayor Clark: "Thank you, so I understand correctly Mr. Brown, that if obviously Mr. Baldwin's here in contesting that, and this gives him recourse if there's not a resolution that's to his satisfactory that he could follow up outside the City avenue, is that correct?"

George Brown, City Manager: "Your honor, I'd have to have, and I don't think the City Assessor is here tonight but I believe there's an appeal process, that the appearance for appeals at a level beyond the City the appearance here is necessary to reserve those rights.

Mayor Clark: "Understand, so you're making your notes this evening. Obviously at this point the Council doesn't have the latitude to sit here and say, well John you can go home and don't worry about paying, this is your point and opportunity to make the public position that you're contesting this and then you can follow up tomorrow and you still reserves the right for an appeal.

John Baldwin, 627 Smith Street: "Ok, thank you very much."

Mayor Clark: "Thank you for your time. Others speaking this evening regarding the rental property inspection fees? Yes ma'am."

Kathy Netter, 13696 Shady Lane Bolles Harbor: "I own a rental property on 615 W. Sixth Street. I'm wanting to raise the issue of the rental inspection fees that I owe. I have some responsibility in this case, this is the only rental property that I own in the City of Monroe. I was not aware, first of all that we had to have it inspected and that there was any kind of a fee, and that's my responsibility, I guess I should have known that, however I'm not sure how. And secondly, I had a renter in there for about the better part of a year, he left in November of 2011. I received my first rental inspection bill in October of 2011 when he was there, that's the first I've heard of such a thing. This property on Sixth Street, he was apparently a licensed marijuana distributor and it was in the paper, there was an armed robbery there and anyways, he left without telling me whatever. He ruined the inside of the house; it was a nightmare, so it's been vacant since November of last year and so the other thing I did that I shouldn't have done was ignore the second bill that came because I thought it was vacant, there were no issues. When I received the third bill, I went ok, I guess I shouldn't have done that and I went and talked with, I believe her names Laura in the department and she sent me, because at that point I was done with the rental business and I was gonna put the property on the market, and she sent me an affidavit to that extent. It took about, it took several months to repair the property, cost about \$4,000 and I got a friend of mine to give me a market appraisal for what I could ask for it, decided that I wasn't gonna get enough money to even make my money back on the place so I decided to re-rent it and a new renter moved in just about two weeks ago. And I went back to the department about three (3) weeks ago to pay the fees, schedule the inspection for this new renter that was coming in and unfortunately Laura was off for a while, I don't know if she was on vacation or sick or what and I spoke with, I believe one of the inspectors there and he couldn't find my file and so, in any event here I am. I'm fully expecting to have to pay the \$75 fee and welcome an inspection, it looks very good now, the house, however I am contesting the doubling because it's been vacant the entire time and I 'm not really sure where to go at this point with this."

Mayor Clark: "So you have the invoices that, or you have the paperwork that was sent?"

Kathy Netter, 13696 Shady Lane Bolles Harbor: "Uh huh."

Mayor Clark: "I'm looking at the list and there's many on the list, many here, and I'm trying to find your listing on here but I can't..."

Kathy Netter, 13696 Shady Lane Bolles Harbor: "Right and I received a letter saying that this hearing was happening tonight to regarding that property so I'm..."

Mayor Clark: "Which is good you're here because it allows you the opportunity to make sure we have your appeal process in tact as you move forward after this evening. I'm looking at the list of delinquent rental inspections and I don't see you're on the list..."

Kathy Netter, 13696 Shady Lane Bolles Harbor: "That's a good thing."

Mayor Clark: "It's a good thing here but as we know they didn't have your file when you walked in and it's possible it just didn't get transposed here and maybe Laura had put it aside because of those reasons and hasn't shared the information, which is possible. I do recommend that you make contact back with the persons that you have already and maybe it has been at least resolved in that fashion for the circumstances that you said and of course with the rental inspection fee being paid. So start there tomorrow and obviously you still have your appeal process as well."

Kathy Netter, 13696 Shady Lane Bolles Harbor: "Thank you for your time."

Mayor Clark: "Councilman Bica, did I miss it?"

Council Member Bica: (Inaudible)

Mayor Clark: "Ms. Netter, do you have, is it in your name, do you know or is it in a corporation name by chance?"

Kathy Netter, 13696 Shady Lane Bolles Harbor: "Corporation name, MWA."

Mayor Clark: "Ok, I see, it's there. Yes sir."

David Sass, 2949 Monrona Drive: "I have a property on 1236 E. Elm Avenue, they have a mailing address of, for my home of 3502949 Monrona Drive, I do live at 2949 Monrona Drive. Somehow this found me as a last \$300 owed, when it was \$75 doubled to \$150 and then doubled to \$300, but the \$300 was my first notice. So I went down to the Treasurer to find out how to change my address. I have several properties; they have a correct address on all the other properties but his one they had a bad address on for some reason for my address."

Mayor Clark: "If I'm hearing you, you said you didn't receive the first two (2) notices but you receive the third one."

David Sass, 2949 Monrona Drive: "No I didn't, yes. It came from 3501 Meadowcrest and then it finally got forwarded to me."

Mayor Clark: "I'm trying to listen as you talk, so we're not ignoring you, I see it now, yeah because it says Meadowcrest on here as the address. You're saying that's not a good address currently?"

David Sass, 2949 Monrona Drive: "No it's not and none of my other rentals are at that address, they're all at the 2949 Monrona. And I got a bill for, I did finally get it changed, I went up to the Treasurer and changed it, that's what they told me to do and they had my current address as 3502949."

Mayor Clark: "Make sure you make contact with them tomorrow, ok, and obviously by being here this evening as we've decided, you have your ability to appeal after this hearing this evening to see if there is, to produce some information regarding that. Councilman Molenda."

Council Member Molenda: "Just for public information, how do addresses, mailing addresses get changed and whose responsibility is it to make sure that those mailing are up to date and accurate?"

Mayor Clark: "Mr. Brown."

George Brown, City Manager: "Your honor the property owner or the new buyer or current property owner that moves and changes their tax mailing address, or property information address is responsible for providing that information to our Assessor's Office. I don't know if there are other opportunities to change it at the Treasurer's Office or not but generally for property related transactions the Assessor maintains the master database and that is the owner's responsibility and certainly an owner that doesn't change the address in a timely fashion exceeds the time for a postal forwarding order, they might find that they're not receiving some of those mailings.'

Mayor Clark: "I have a question Mr. Sass, have you received notices previous, and the address that you mention is 1236 E. Elm, have you had that property for a while?"

David Sass, 2949 Monrona Drive: "Yes I have."

Mayor Clark: "But you didn't on this one?"

David Sass, 2949 Monrona Drive: "I didn't on this one."

Mayor Clark: "Did you think it was just exempt this time?"

David Sass, 2949 Monrona Drive: "Well we have several properties; you don't know exactly when one is going to come due, you just get a notice and you just go down and pay them. Your whole inspections do great good in the city, they help the rents, they help the city, and I don't mind paying my rental inspections. But I don't keep a calendar of when they're going to be due three (3) years in the future."

Mayor Clark: "You have more than one rental on site though."

David Sass, 2949 Monrona Drive: "Yes."

Mayor Clark: "Alright, thank you."

David Sass, 2949 Monrona Drive: "Thank you."

Mayor Clark: "Other comments this evening regarding delinquent rental inspection fees? Councilman Bica."

Council Member Bica: (Inaudible)

Mayor Clark: "Mr. Brown."

George Brown, City Manager: "Your honor, the City's ordinance calls for inspections and registrations of rental properties on a three year cycle, so what the Building Department does is it generates an invoice for the registration which covers the cost of the inspection also and then inspections are scheduled with the property owners and it's the responsibility of the property owners to make arrangements with the tenants for the physical inspection. So the invoicing on the three year cycle doesn't always coincide closely with the actual physical inspection.'

Hearing no other comments, the Mayor declared the public hearing closed.

56 This being the date set to hear public comments on the special assessment roll for the expenses of unpaid blight fees where the owners have failed to pay for same, there being no comments on file in writing in the Clerk-Treasurer's Office, the Mayor declared the public hearing opened.

There being no person's present comment and no comments on file in writing in the Clerk-Treasurer's Office, the Mayor declared the hearing closed.

57 This being the date set to hear public comments on the special assessment roll for the expenses of unpaid snow removal fees where the owners have failed to pay for same, and no persons present commenting and no comments on file in writing in the Clerk-Treasurer's Office, the Mayor declared the public hearing open.

There being no person's present comment and no comments on file in writing in the Clerk-Treasurer's Office, the Mayor declared the hearing closed.

58 This being the date set to hear public comments on the special assessment roll for the expenses of unpaid demolition fees where the owners have failed to pay for same, and there being no comments on file in writing in the Clerk-Treasurer's Office, the Mayor declared the public hearing open.

There being no person's present comment and no comments on file in writing in the Clerk-Treasurer's Office, the Mayor declared the hearing closed.

59 This being the date set to hear public comments on the special assessment roll for the expenses of unpaid weeds & grasses cutting fees where the owners have failed to pay for same, and there being no comments on file in writing in the Clerk-Treasurer's Office, the Mayor declared the public hearing open.

Mayor Clark: "Any comments from Council? Comments from those present here this evening, yes ma'am."

Ellen Eoff, 511 S. Roessler: "As you might remember, or you can get records from last year's weather, last May it had rained for like three (3) weeks straight and I had a grass, there was puddling in the yard, and I couldn't mow that. I was waiting for the puddle to get absorbed into the ground and I was going to mow and grass cutting guys came and did my front yard and I was charged almost \$100. It's just an awful fee for me to pay, I can't, and that's just hard for me to do. Is there any way we can resolve, I can pay part of it or get it dismissed or something?"

Mayor Clark: "At this stage here Council does not have the ability to eliminate or negotiate a fee schedule, if that's what you're asking or a reduction. Did you receive a notice regarding that item?"

Ellen Eoff, 511 S. Roessler: "Yes I did."

Mayor Clark: "When did you did you first receive it?"

Ellen Eoff, 511 S. Roessler: "Last year and I've just gotten another notice for the hearing tonight, a week or two ago."

Mayor Clark: "Did you happen to come into the city and make any comment or appeal since June of last year?"

Ellen Eoff, 511 S. Roessler: "No I haven't."

Mayor Clark: "Does your notice there have a delinquent fee with it?"

Ellen Eoff, 511 S. Roessler: "And interest added onto it."

Mayor Clark: "So it would have been less last June."

Ellen Eoff, 511 S. Roessler: "Maybe by \$5 or so."

Mayor Clark: "Mr. Brown."

George Brown, City Manager: "Your honor, you may remember last year we reported on the fact that because of the wet spring and early summer, especially the wet spring, we did delay doing enforcement mowing and I don't remember exactly how many weeks but I believe the start date for mowing requirements was close to the first of May, I think we were two (2) to three (3) weeks at least into May, couple weeks maybe and didn't really become vigorous about it because of those issues. We had challenges with city property so the mowing we finally did it was well into the, past the deadline for that. In fact with our contractor we had to start having them use the weed whip type equipment in areas that were still too soft and the larger equipment couldn't get out."

Ellen Eoff, 511 S. Roessler: "Well they didn't even knock on the door to see if I needed some help of any kind. My grandson thinks I'm old but, you know, I just think awful high to do that."

Mayor Clark: "Well the ordinance is, as Mr. Brown said we have a date which that starts and we do publicize that. This last year was delayed by a week in fact we delayed enforcement on a night in this year because of the weather and usually delay things, I think it was the grass cutting again because of the weather and we publicize that if its delayed past that time. You've had the invoice since last June but you chose not to try to resolve it until today and that's your choice, I understand. As said, it's not an item that is going to get resolved this evening, your coming here and making your public comment allow you for an appeal process so that is the correct thing to do if you contest the, 1. the bill & 2. the cost."

Ellen Eoff, 511 S. Roessler: "Ok, who can I talk to tomorrow?"

Mayor Clark: "Well I don't know if Mr. Lewis is here tomorrow, but you can make contact at the engineering, they would go over your invoice or your bill regarding the cost and see if there's anything that you feel that's a way you can make this payment over time, in some fashion. Councilman Beneteau."

Council Member Beneteau: "I just have to ask, when they came in and cut the lawn, was it necessary that they use a weed whacker instead of a regular lawn mower?"

Ellen Eoff, 511 S. Roessler: "I'm not sure if they did, they listed it on the billing."

Council Member Beneteau: "That would be, if it was too wet for the property owner to mow the lawn, I just wonder if the contractor was forced to use other than traditional means."

Mayor Clark: "If you have that on the invoice I would bring that in if you still have it."

Ellen Eoff, 511 S. Roessler: "Ok, thank you."

Mayor Clark: "Other comments this evening, yes sir."

Roger Homrich: "I own property at 1151 W. Elm Avenue; it's the former ICO Paper Mill. It's contiguous to the former Modern Packaging Plant which I'd like to preface by saying we started demolition on Modern Packaging today voluntarily so we're continuing our investment in the City of Monroe. I'll give you a minute to find that, 1151, all's I really prefer to do this evening is preserve my right to be able to speak and continue to negotiate what I've already initiated negotiating and hopefully can resolve tomorrow."

Mayor Clark: "Any other comments? Ok, thank you Mr. Homrich and thanks for making your comments. Other comments regarding weeds and grass invoice? Yes sir."

Chad Beauchamp: "The property in reference is 1300 Wood Street, C & B Properties, same issue as the lady before, about the weather in May, the beginning of June."

Mayor Clark: "Of last year?"

Chad Beauchamp, 1300 Wood Street: "Yes."

Mayor Clark: "You received your invoice and then you received this notice, is that correct?"

Ms. Beauchamp, 1300 Wood Street: "No, we received the invoice and I had made a couple phone calls to the City asking what the bill was regarding, she said that if someone drove by and saw one (1) blade of grass that's more than eight inches high that the city has the right to come by and cut the lawn at that facility. We have someone that cuts in front of our building for us and again it was the same as the lady before us, I mean, it rained twenty-one straight days before that and the date of service was June 2nd of when they came to cut, I've lived in a couple other city's besides this one, I don't live in this city but I live in Milan and we get written notice of a high elevated grass and/or weeds and/or, you know whatever, we got no notice, no nothing. I mean all of a sudden we get a bill for \$99.49 and said you know there was more than one blade of grass eight inches high, that's what it's for."

Mayor Clark: "I understand that and the ordinance doesn't have a provision to send notice, it may have been something that was done years ago in the city here. You know I have multiple sheets, 25 on a sheet, there's hundreds, hundreds here and some of these seem to occur over and over to similar. I think there's a personal responsibility for making sure a lawn is cut and I think it can be seen when it's over eight inches. To think that we should send, I guess letters or notices to the hundreds of people and have to do that time and time again, I think is an unfair expense to the rest of the residents in the City of Monroe for those that don't get their grass cut. I understand your position, I'm not, I'm just saying that's my answer when people ask me, why don't you send me a letter or why don't you come knock on the door, why don't you hang a card hanger on the door knob and it's all time, it's all personnel and it's all revenue that costs money and the ordinance doesn't stipulate that there be a personal phone call or a letter to a person to let them know to cut their grass."

Ms. Beauchamp, 1300 Wood Street: "Well right, and I understand that but I mean I'm not here because I expect a letter and I didn't let our facility become delinquent and any other time it was just because that due process of that 21 day period. You know, I mean right after that, our gentleman that cuts it, cut it."

Chad Beauchamp, 1300 Wood Street: "No, I know the guy personally that cuts my grass and when I got to the shop, I get there usually around 3:30 and when I got there the grass was cut, I said oh, he got it today, good. So the next day I talked to him, I said thanks for getting the grass and he goes, I thought you did it. I said well I didn't do it, thought you did it and then, so we just let it go cause maybe the guy across the street at the, he's got a little carwash, he's done it before so I thought maybe he saw that it was high and he'd come out and cut it. And then we got the notice and that's when..."

Mayor Clark: "What was the date of the notice?"

Ms. Beauchamp, 1300 Wood Street: "6/2."

Mayor Clark: "Well that's the date of the mowing."

Ms. Beauchamp, 1300 Wood Street: "The date of this invoice is 6/14."

Mayor Clark: "Councilman Beneteau."

Council Member Beneteau: "I can't quote the ordinance right off hand of course, but as far as the height of the grass, it's not one (1) blade of grass it is a consistent amount of grass being eight inches and I think it's the majority of the grass being an eight inch height and that's verified I believe by city staff at that time, so I mean so it's not just one (1) blade of grass."

Ms. Beauchamp, 1300 Wood Street: "No, I'm assuming that that's what it meant but that's what the lady told me when I called, she specifically said there can be one (1) blade of grass that's more than eight inches and we can cut it."

Mayor Clark: "Well see there's a different response because it's as Councilman Beneteau says, it's an overall objective or perspective of what's seen."

Ms. Beauchamp, 1300 Wood Street: "Well I mean intelligently speaking, I got that but..."

Mayor Clark: "We'll pass that along, I appreciate it. Mr. Brown."

George Brown, City Manager: "Your honor I was going to confirm that procedurally our staff and it regular staff members that have done this for a number of years, only send those mowing projects that are needed where the predominant height is eight inches or well over eight inches. They're asked to observe on their own and take initiative and they also respond to complaints so I don't know in this particular case if we had neighborhood complaints or not that triggered a situation where we may have triggered the contractor at a point where it was just over eight on a predominant bases, but it would have definitely would have been the majority of the area that needed to be mowed would have been over eight."

Mayor Clark: "Councilman Molenda do you have a question or has it been answered?"

Council Member Molenda: "I was just going to kind of reiterate that while I guess I can't quote it off the top of my head either, but while it may leave itself open to being interrupted as one (1) blade, I do know, from my experience and practices, that it's something very different than one (1) blade, it's like predominately."

Chad Beauchamp, 1300 Wood Street: "That's not really the whole point. The whole point is that it's a commercial property; I feel that you should give somebody a couple of days. The weather was another thing, I'm not the only one here saying that it was the weather, so, and what's wrong with a stamp, I don't have a problem with that."

Mayor Clark: "But you don't have to pay for it."

Chad Beauchamp, 1300 Wood Street: "I pay your wages. I'm a tax payer in this town. You all work for me in one way or another and I don't like the way you talk to people."

Mayor Clark: "Well Mr. Beauchamp, it's an item that was passed long ago in this ordinance. Continually sending out invoices to the same people and other people, I'm not saying yourself, I think is asking the other residents that cut their lawn..."

Chad Beauchamp, 1300 Wood Street: "its 20 cents, 30 cents, whatever it's not that big of a..."

Mayor Clark: "Its 42 cents for a stamp today and I think it multiplies, there's hundreds of people in your position. I understand would want to get a notice and I understand why they might want somebody to knock on their door but I think is the staff that we have and the staff that we utilize, I don't think that's the best use of personnel. That's my opinion, but I understand your position. Mr. Brown."

George Brown, City Manager: "Your honor for the public's sake, since the discussion is out there, the process at minimum that has to occur when notices sent, there has to be assigned staff person to inspect the property to begin with, that's one (1) trip. They have to come back and process the necessary paperwork or computer work to generate a mailing, there is an amount of time given when those addresses are sent so that the mail can get there and someone can react to it. And there's the additional inspection that that same person has to make to determine

whether the owner did respond and have the property mowed. So it does add more than the cost of a stamp or even the preparation of a standard letter, there's a significant amount of extra cost in that extra layer of inspection and so on. And, as the Mayor noted we found unfortunately, and many communities have, that there's a chronic abuse of the system, and again, not saying that you fall into this category but it becomes a situation where city staff and the taxpayer that is paying for that overhead ends up managing properties for property owners who aren't diligent about (inaudible) maintaining, and again, it's not every case but we're over and over again in a given year, and years ago when they did do notices they found that the property owner in many cases didn't do anything till they received that notice from the city. It doesn't sound like you manage your property that way and we're all sorry that you fell into this last year where the weather did affect many people here and as I mentioned, including the City's maintenance but by June 2 we were vigorously enforcing the ordinance. And because of the weather the grass was high then if it hadn't been mowed yet but I don't know if that's the case here. Your honor."

Mayor Clark: "Thank you. Councilman McKart."

Council Member McKart: "Yes, I just want to say to you and the woman that spoke earlier, go to your hearings and take this as far as you can to get this reversed, work through the system, don't give up. That's all I'm saying."

Mayor Clark: "Thank you."

Ms. Beauchamp, 1300 Wood Street: "No, I mean it's just the fact that I mean if we were repeat offenders or if there was any other problem and we were you know delinquent in paying any other grass cuttings or whatever, you know we wouldn't be here and we wouldn't be taking up the time but you know, we're not and we do keep actually, I mean we're renovating the building, you know, so it's in a residential area so we're doing what we can to keep it as nice as possible and I mean some things just foreseen like the weather, I mean, we never had it a problem throughout the whole summer the rest of the time so."

Council Member McKart: "Well I don't make that decision, but if I did, you made a pretty good case tonight."

Ms. Beauchamp, 1300 Wood Street: "Thank you."

Mayor Clark: "Others present here, yes sir..."

John Timko, 1034 Bentley Drive: "Now if this guy comes around and check's the grass why can't he put a card on the door before he leaves and say the grass will be cut in three (3) day's or something like that? I mean I can't see where a big expense is with notifying the people. They cut my grass and they shouldn't have cut it and I think they should be notified. If you would give them a card, some kind of card and put it on the door, grass will be cut in three days, there'd be no problem. People would be cutting their grass; you guys wouldn't have to cut their grass. Thank you."

Mayor Clark: "Thank you Mr. Timko. Other comments regarding delinquent weed and grasses invoices?"

Hearing no other comments, the Mayor declared the public hearing closed.

60 This being the date set to hear public comments on the special assessment roll for the expenses of unpaid sidewalk fees where the owners have failed to pay for same, and there being no comments on file in writing in the Clerk-Treasurer's Office, the Mayor declared the public hearing open.

Mayor Clark: "Any comments from Council. From those here in the public, yes ma'am."

Teresa Leathery: "I own 1020 East First Street, there was some sidewalk work done in front of this house and they had sent some letters out there to fix the sidewalk. I don't live at this address and the letters are not coming to me,

they are coming to that house and I have not received a lot of letters on this issue so I didn't know what was really going on and the situation on it. I got a couple of them but not all of them and my husband had went over there one day and he found a letter on this issue in a cubby hole they had over there or something, anyway it was suppose to have been paid and we didn't know at the time how much it was or when it was suppose to be paid or anything because we personally didn't get the letter. If you people are sending me letters on this I would appreciate it if you would send it to my house and not there, that way I would get the letter's and not them because I don't ever get my mail when it goes there."

Mayor Clark: "You have a different address?"

Teresa Leathery 1020 East First Street: "Yes I do, I have told them earlier when I first bought the house."

Mayor Clark: "Told who?"

Teresa Leathery 1020 East First Street: "I told the city."

Mayor Clark: "Who."

Teresa Leathery 1020 East First Street: "I don't recall who it was, but it was told at the time I bought the house. I did not live there and that I needed it sent to my address where I would have the information myself."

Mayor Clark: "Well I recommend that you, tomorrow, stop in and make the appropriate contact with location to here in the city, the Assessor's Office which is on the second floor to make that correction for that location on East First Street that you wish to have the mail sent to there, if that's the, if you are the owner of the property, in the Assessor's Office for future issues on this. But you said that you received some of the notices but not all of them."

Teresa Leathery 1020 East First Street: "Is it possible that I can have that put on my taxes?"

Mayor Clark: "Yeah, that's what this does here in this process, correct."

Teresa Leathery 1020 East First Street: "Ok."

Mayor Clark: "Yeah, by going through this process it gets put that way. Councilman Beneteau."

Council Member Beneteau: "I just wonder is the house registered as a rental."

Teresa Leathery 1020 East First Street: "I don't believe it is because it was a, I'm not getting no income out of it myself and I did come and sign an affidavit on it because it's not being rented. I mean, I've got, my daughter lives there but I don't rent it to her."

Mayor Clark: "We'll have to look into this because I'm not sure that charging rent makes it a rental or not as far as the living condition of the owner or another occupant that's not the owner residing there, so even though you may not be charging rent you are still subject to inspection fees, potentially. Mr. Brown."

George Brown, City Manager: "Your honor, as a courtesy, and I can't recall if there's ordinance language pertaining to this, but owners who house immediate family members on a property that they don't reside in can file an affidavit that it's not a rental and state, provide information regarding the relationship in a direct immediate relative, we do waive the requirement to register and inspect until that condition changes."

Mayor Clark: "Thank you. Other comments regarding the delinquent sidewalk invoices in this public hearing?"

Hearing no other comments, the Mayor declared the public hearing closed.

61 This being the date set to hear public comments on the Fiscal Year 2012-13 Community Development Block Grant Annual Action Plan, the Mayor declared the public hearing open.

Mayor Clark: "Any comments from Council? Any comments from those present here this evening? Think I'll make a comment regarding this public hearing in the event that it's not discussed later but we've had conversations in public, Development Block Grant funds and as I went through the list here and saw the items in which we are expending those funds, there are many in here that touch on some of what we're talking about here today. When we talk about our neighborhoods and home repairs or services that are provided and as I look through this I want to say, thank the staff for looking at all those, whether it be the commitment and continued commitment at the Arthur Lesow Community Center. The FIX program allows for rehabilitation of homes for eligible residents by income. I'm just going to go through the list of some of these; vacant building demolition, we have problem with that at times that arises and I think it's important that we stay on that. There's other services' regarding homeless prevention, lead paint remediation for houses that are trying to do work but yet don't have maybe the opportunity to pay for what that cost may be. I know that we partnered with Habitat for Humanity on a home that they took under their wing to repair and it was a significant cost to them on lead paint remediation and it's not something that came from this fund but just shows the example. Code enforcement, blighted areas and others that are on here, but I just wanted to make comment to those because we hear about what are using these block grants for. Other comments regarding this public hearing?"

Hearing no other comments, the Mayor declared the public hearing closed.

Council Action.

53 It was moved by Council Member Molenda and seconded by Council Member Beneteau that the communication from the Finance Director, submitting Proposed Ordinance No. 12-003, an ordinance to adopt the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Budget for the City of Monroe, be placed on its final reading.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0

Motion carried.

Council Member McKart said that he supports the elimination of the Deputy Director of Public Safety and he thinks that Fire Chief, Manuel Hoskins is qualified to fill both positions and said that he is going to make the motion to defund that position.

It was moved by Council Member McKart to defund the Deputy Director of Public Safety position.

Due to no support on the motion, motion failed.

Proposed Ordinance No. 12-003, was then presented for its second time after which the Mayor asked, "Shall this Ordinance pass?"

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0

Motion carried.

Consent Agenda. (All items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by Mayor and Council and may be approved by one motion. Any item may be removed for separate discussion by a Councilperson or citizen.)

Charles D. Evan, Clerk-Treasurer noted that the Consent Agenda is amended to add item 78.

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the Work Session held on March 19, 2012, the Minutes of the Work Session held on March 21, 2012, the Minutes of the Work Session held on March 22, 2012, the Minutes of the Work Session held on April 2, 2012 and the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on April 2, 2012.
 - B. Approval of payments to vendors in the amount of \$.768,351.67.
Action: Bills be allowed and warrants drawn on the various accounts for their payment.
- 65 FY 2012-13 Community Development Block Grant Annual Action Plan.
- 1. Communication from the Director of Economic & Community Development, submitting the Community Development Block Grant Annual Action Plan for Fiscal Year 2012 as required by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), and recommending that Council approve the proposed FY 2012-13 Community Development Block Grant Annual Action Plan, following a public hearing to seek comments on the Plan.
 - 2. Supporting documents.
 - 3. Action: Accept, place on file and the recommendation be carried out.
- 66 Macomb Street Bridge Rehabilitation – Temporary Relocation of Fiber Optic Cable for Monroe Public Schools.
- 1. Communication from the Director of Engineering & Public Services, submitting a “design-build” professional services contract to temporarily relocate the fiber optic cable that provides the backbone for the daily network operations for Monroe Public Schools, and recommending that Council award a “Design-Build” contract for the relocation of the Monroe Public Schools fiber optic cable to Advanced Communications Incorporated in the amount of \$15,562, and that a total of \$18,000 be encumbered to include a 15% project contingency, and further recommending that the Director of Engineering & Public Services be authorized to execute the agreement on behalf of the City of Monroe.
 - 2. Supporting documents.
 - 3. Accept, place on file and the recommendation be carried out.
- 67 2012 Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Program – Change Order Award.
- 1. Communication from the Director of Engineering & Public Services, submitting a request for a change order to the 2012 Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Program, and recommending that Council award a change order to the 2012 Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Program contract to Lanzo Lining Services, Inc. in the amount of \$70,180, and that a total of \$77,000 be encumbered to include a 10% project contingency, and further recommending that the Director of Engineering & Public Services be authorized to execute the change order on behalf of the City of Monroe, and that the Finance Director be authorized to make any necessary transfers to provide for this contract funding and 10% engineering costs.
 - 2. Supporting documents.
 - 3. Accept, place on file and the recommendation be carried out.
- 68 Fiber Optic Network Project.
- 1. Communication from the Finance Director, reporting back on bids received for the Fiber Optic Network Project to correct the slow network speeds that the remote locations to city hall have been experiencing, and recommending that Council approve the Fiber Optic Network Project as described and authorize the Mayor and Clerk-Treasurer to sign any agreements on behalf of the City, that the project approval include approving the Fiber Use Agreement with Monroe Public Schools, approving the bid from Amcomm Telecommunications in the amount of \$63,175 with a total amount to be encumbered of \$72,651 to include a 15% contingency, approving the bid from LSI in the amount of \$11,325 for the needed network switches,

approval of the DTE make ready costs in an amount not to exceed \$6,637, and approval of an agreement with ACI in the amount of \$5,376 to connect the school fiber to the city fiber.

2. Supporting documents.
3. Accept, place on file and the recommendation be carried out.

69 Heat Exchanger for Compressor System at Multi-Sports Complex.

1. Communication from the Finance Director, reporting back on bids received to replace the heat exchanger for the compressor system at the Monroe Multi-Sports Complex, and recommending that Council approve the proposal from Cimco Refrigeration in the amount of \$18,890 with a total amount \$20,779 to be encumbered to cover contingencies, and further recommending that a transfer from General Fund Contingency in the amount of \$20,779 be approved to cover the cost in the Multi-Sports Complex budget.
2. Supporting documents.
3. Accept, place on file and the recommendation be carried out.

70 Food Concession Operations for the 2012 Summer Entertainment Series in St. Mary's Park.

1. Communication from the Recreation Manager, reporting back on bids received for the food concession operation for the 2012 Summer Entertainment Series in St. Mary's Park, and recommending that Council approve entering into an agreement with Cravings, Inc. for the operation of the Summer Entertainment Series Concession, beginning June, 2012 and ending in August, 2012 subject to the agreement being approved by the City Attorney. The agreement makes provision that the agreement may be extended annually up to five (5) additional years if services are rendered satisfactorily in 2012.
2. Supporting documents.
3. Accept, place on file and the recommendation be carried out.

71 Assessment Roll – Rental Property.

1. Communication from the Clerk-Treasurer, submitting a proposed resolution authorizing the City Assessor to spread the special assessment roll for the expenses of rental property inspection fees on the 2012 summer tax roll, and recommending that the resolution be adopted and the charges be placed on the Summer 2012 Tax Roll.
2. Supporting documents.
3. Accept, place on file and the resolution be adopted.

72 Assessment Roll – Blight Removal.

1. Communication from the Clerk-Treasurer, submitting a proposed resolution authorizing the City Assessor to spread the special assessment roll for the expenses of blight removal fees on the 2012 summer tax roll, and recommending that the resolution be adopted and the charges be placed on the Summer 2012 Tax Roll.
2. Supporting documents.
3. Accept, place on file and the resolution be adopted.

73 Assessment Roll – Snow Removal.

1. Communication from the Clerk-Treasurer, submitting a proposed resolution authorizing the City Assessor to spread the special assessment roll for the expenses of snow removal fees on the 2012 summer tax roll, and recommending that the resolution be adopted and the charges be placed on the Summer 2012 Tax Roll.
2. Supporting documents.
3. Action: Accept, place on file and the resolution be adopted.

74 Assessment Roll – Demolition Fees.

1. Communication from the Clerk-Treasurer, submitting a proposed resolution authorizing the City Assessor to spread the special assessment roll for the expenses of demolition fees on the 2012 summer tax roll, and recommending that the resolution be adopted and the charges be placed on the Summer 2012 Tax Roll.
2. Supporting documents.
3. Action: Accept, place on file and the resolution be adopted.

75 Assessment Roll – Weeds and Grasses.

1. Communication from the Clerk-Treasurer, submitting a proposed resolution authorizing the City Assessor to spread the special assessment roll for the expenses of cutting weeds and grasses fees on the 2012 summer tax roll, and recommending that the resolution be adopted and the charges be placed on the Summer 2012 Tax Roll.
2. Supporting documents.
3. Action: Accept, place on file and the resolution be adopted.

76 Assessment Roll – Sidewalk Repair.

1. Communication from the Clerk-Treasurer, submitting a proposed resolution authorizing the City Assessor to spread the special assessment roll for the expenses of sidewalk repair and grasses fees on the 2012 summer tax roll, and recommending that the resolution be adopted and the charges be placed on the Summer 2012 Tax Roll.
2. Supporting documents.
3. Action: Accept, place on file and the resolution be adopted.

77 Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements – Phase III Financing.

1. Communication from the Finance Director, submitting two (2) proposed resolutions, one requesting County assistance, one approving a contract and notice and an Act 342 Financing Contract for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements, and recommending that Council approve the resolutions and contract referenced for the financing of the phase III improvements at the Wastewater Treatment Plant.
2. Supporting documents.
3. Action: Accept, place on file and the recommendation be carried out.

78 Monroe Missionary Baptist Church – Banner Request.

1. Communication from the Manager's Office, reporting back on a request from Monroe Missionary Baptist Church for permission to display a banner across Monroe Street from May 7 – 28, 2012 announcing the movie Courageous, and recommending approval of the request as modified.
2. Supporting documents.
3. Action: Accept, place on file and the recommendation be carried out.

It was moved by Council Member Molenda and seconded by Council Member McKart that item 65, 66, 67, 68, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77 and 78 of the amended Consent Agenda be approved as indicated and that item 69 be removed and considered separately.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0

Motion carried.

69 The communication from the Finance Director, reporting back on bids received to replace the heat exchanger for the compressor system at the Monroe Multi-Sports Complex, and recommending that Council approve

the proposal from Cimco Refrigeration in the amount of \$18,890 with a total amount \$20,779 to be encumbered to cover contingencies, and further recommending that a transfer from General Fund Contingency in the amount of \$20,779 be approved to cover the cost in the Multi-Sports Complex budget.

Adam Yeager, 1833 South Custer Road, asked if this will be another cost to the taxpayer.

George Brown, City Manager explained the reason for the expense and that it is coming out of the general fund.

It was moved by Council Member Beneteau and seconded by Council Member Bica that item 69 be accepted, placed on file, and the recommendation be carried out.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0

Motion carried.

Council Comments.

Council Member Beneteau commented on the budget and thanked the volunteers who showed up for the downtown cleanup.

Council Member Hensley commented on Earth Day the festivities.

Council Member Bica commented on the charity basketball game fundraiser to benefit the Arthur Lesow Community Center, ALCC, to be held at the ALCC.

Mayor's Comments.

Mayor Clark commented on the DDA Downtown Cleanup event and thanked the volunteers also, Earth Day and the Heritage Trail Walk on August 28, 2012 at the River Raisin National Battlefield Park from 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., and also that same evening it the Civil War Monument Dinner at the V.F.W. Hall on Jones Avenue. He also noted that on August 26 the RRCA will host a presentation by Ernie LaPointe, the great, great grandson of Sitting Bull and commented on an editorial in the Monroe Evening News about the vandalism at Veteran's Park.

Citizen's Comments.

Chris Kull, 519 Godfroy noted that Ernie LaPointe will speak at the RRCA on August 26, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. and that before that, from 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. there will be a reception at the Historical Museum for Ernie and his wife Sonya and said that tickets for the Civil War Dinner can be purchased at the Historical Museum.

Dave Roberts, 706 Broadway commented on an article in the Monroe Evening News about the population in Monroe.

Adjournment.

It was moved by Council Member Molenda and seconded by Council Member Beneteau that the meeting adjourn at 9:08 p.m. until the Regular Meeting on Monday, May 7, 2012 at 7:30 p.m.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0

Motion carried.

Charles D. Evans
City Clerk-Treasurer

Robert E. Clark
Mayor