

# MONROE CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

FEBRUARY 25, 2019 6PM CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

1. **Call to Order:** Mayor Paul Canter called the City Council meeting to order at 6PM.

Pledge of Allegiance: Mayor Canter asked Council President Billings to lead the council and audience in the Pledge.

Roll Call: Present was Mayor Canter, Council President Billings, Councilors Thayer, Canter, Greene, Cuthbertson and Koroush. Also present was Student Councilor Cuevas and City Administrator Hohnbaum. In the audience was Planning Commission Chair Smith and Vice-Chair Sheets, Cory Wall, Steve Martinenko and Junction City Police Chief Bob Morris.

2. **Public Input and Comments:** Commissioner Sheets reminded the Council and audience of the upcoming City sponsored event and that he would be seeking volunteers for this special event.

3. **Staff Reports:**

- a. **Police Report Chief Bob Morris:** Chief Morris stated that the department has been active especially in school zones and confirmed that the council had received his written report. Chief Morris stated he was available to respond to questions. CP Billings inquired about the Ordinance Code Enforcement Officer concept and Chief Morris and CP Billings discussed options in moving forward. The council consensus was for the Ordinance Committee to follow-up on the options.
- b. **City Administrator Rick Hohnbaum:** CA Hohnbaum shared a recent citizen concern about the Monroe Land Use Development Code limiting RV usage to 30 days and asked council's direction on whether they wanted him as the City Planner to initiate the language for the change in the code so that a public hearing could be held or if they wanted to have the Ordinance Committee or Planning Commission initiate the process. Council Consensus was to have it sent to the Ordinance Committee to review.
- c. **Steve Martinenko from SOWT** shared a water and wastewater system report reflecting flows and processes. Steve shared the tracking of inflow and infiltration as it relates to normal flows during high rains that is being processed by the city. Mr. Martinenko shared the water production and water sales comparisons. Councilor Koroush asked about the condition of the membranes in the Water Treatment Plant and Steve shared the status of the existing membranes. Steve shared some major budgeted needs that will need consideration during the next budget cycle for the WTP which could be a three to four-year phased project.

4. **Consent Agenda:**

**Bills and Minutes:** CP Billings asked about the credit from SOWT and checks for the festival signs coming out general funds. Councilor Thayer moved to accept the consent agenda. Councilor Canter seconded the motion. Ayes: All.

**7. OLD BUSINESS:**

7.1 Main Street Project Development Plan: Councilor Greene shared the options that were discussed by the Public Works and Safety Committee. The council discussed the options and the considerations for each of the options. CA Hohnbaum shared the significant detail of their recommendation to dig and not do anymore overlay on Main. CA Hohnbaum shared the outline of the street. Consensus reached at no more overlays and digging down and putting it in right. Mayor Canter asked for some research and staff to work with the PWS on the options to come back to the council.

7.2 Council Follow-up from Training Event: CA Hohnbaum shared the written report and asked for direction from council as to how they would like to see additional discussions and directions for the roles and responsibilities of the committees and council rules. Councilor Thayer stated that there are council rules. Councilor Thayer stated he favored that the entire council should be involved with the discussions with a work session and no committees. CP Billings stated that the committees are very important. Councilor Koroush stated that he liked the work session rather than the committee. The council discussed the work sessions as a time for the council to work together and set March 5<sup>th</sup> for their first one with the staff report from the training event as the agenda.

**8. OTHER BUSINESS:**

8.1 Calendar Dates:

March 5 <sup>th</sup>	Work Session	City Hall	6PM
March 18 <sup>th</sup>	TMDL Council Special Meeting	City Hall	6PM
March 18 <sup>th</sup>	Council Goal Setting Session	City Hall	6:30PM

8.2 Councilor Comments: Councilor Canter requested doggies' station on the rail bed. CA Hohnbaum will talk to county and see about city installing on the rail bed. CP Billings asked about the park restroom structure and Mayor Canter shared an update. CP Billings stated that people are waiting for the restrooms and it is taking two years to build it. Councilor Koroush inquired about the playground equipment next to Legion Hall and the response was for one major park project at a time. Councilor Cuthbertson discussed the fact that a citizen had called during the council meeting to assist with a tree in their driveway and she needed to get started on it.

8.3 Mayor's Comment: Thank you Councilor Cuthbertson for going out on a cold and windy night to cut up a tree lying in a citizen's driveway.

9 **ADJOURNMENT:** Mayor Canter adjourned the meeting at 8:20pm.

Approved by Council Action on March 25, 2019.

Paul Canter 3-29-19  
Mayor Paul Canter DATE:

Attest: Rick A. Hohnbaum 3-29-19  
Rick A. Hohnbaum, City Recorder DATE: