

**MINUTES OF THE
City Council Meeting for the City of Menan held December 14, 2023.**

Presiding: Council President Ron Jones

Present:, Ron Jones, Amy Gahn, Troy Hanson, Ben Smith, Matt Walker, Kris Meek, Allyson Pettingill, Deputy Kelly, Noel Raymond, Danielle Andrew(Zoom), Alysha & Justin Anderson, John Walker, Milton Ollerton, Blair Hunting, and Brett Crowther.

INCOME: December 14,2023 to January 11, 2024:

Sewer Payroll	4229.38
Garbage Payroll	124.76
Nov. 2023 Property Taxes	10755.21
Motor Vehicle Fines	69.75
General Fund Money Market Interest	19.80
General Fund Collateralized Money Market Interest	16.41
Sewer Fund Money Market Interest	16.80
Sewer Fund Collateralized Money Market Interest	9.84
Garbage Fund Money Market Interest	1.73
LGIP State Pool	2.53
TOTAL	\$15,246.21

Income from Sewer Account Jan.:	\$ 10,778.18
Income from Garbage Account Jan.:	\$ 1,951.01

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm.

Meeting starts with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Law Enforcement Report: Ron states that the Council will wait for the Law Enforcement Report until a member of the Sheriff’s Department is present.

Anderson Conditional Use Permit Final Decision-Action: The Council review the final draft Kris sent and approved. There is discussion of it being what was discussed and agreed upon. The Anderson’s are asked if everything looks good to them.

Ben Smith made a motion to accept the Conditional Use Permit for the Anderson’s. Amy Gahn seconded the motion. Motion carried.

There is discussion of the process and the time that was taken for the project the Anderson’s have submitted. The Council thanks the Anderson’s for their patience and understanding during the process.

Discussion of Amended Area of Impact Agreement with Jefferson County: Milton explains the changes the County made are mainly just wording differences. He also explains that there were changes made to the agreement dealing with changing some wording from subdivisions to land divisions so that if there are any requests for simple lot splits they would need to also check with the City, not just subdivisions. He wanted to make sure that the City was involved in all land division. There is discussion of this.

Amy Gahn made a motion to enter a Public Hearing for the Amended Area of Impact Agreement with Jefferson County. Ben Smith seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Enter Public Hearing at 7:07 pm.

Ron Jones explains the reason for the Hearing and how the Hearing will proceed.

Ron asks if there is anyone wanting to speak in Favor of. No one speaks.

Ron asks if anyone wants to speak that is Neutral to. No one speaks.

Ron asks if anyone wants to speak that is Against. No one speaks.
There is no rebuttal.

Troy Hanson made a motion to Exit the Public Hearing regarding the Area of Impact with Jefferson County. Ben Smith seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Exit the Public Hearing at 7:08 pm.

Ben Smith made a motion to accept the Area of Impact Agreement with Jefferson County as written. Amy Gahn seconded the motion. Motion carried.

P&Z Update: Noel addresses the Council. He states that he wasn't at the meeting, but he has been told what was discussed at the meeting. He says that the first thing they discussed was the short plat issue and fixing the ordinance in the code. He also stated that Gary Armstrong had put together a first draft of a new proposed ordinance. The Commission couldn't agree on the proposal due to the issue of not allowing any driveways to exit onto the roads designated as arterials. Gary is going to make changes so that driveways are allowed when it is an administrative land split, but not subdivisions. The Commission will keep working on it. Noel states that the Commission will need to work on the words in the code taking precedent over maps or tables. There is discussion of this. There is discussion of possibly requiring land surveys when residents are selling their property. There is then discussion of how the County GIS map is not a valid description of the land parcels, they can be wrong. There is discussion of requiring a deed with the legal description to be submitted with the building permit application. Noel then states that the P&Z is trying and willing to work better with the County and have a better relationship with them. There is discussion of future designations of the roads within the city and how in order to designate the land, the city needs to have a Transportation Plan done with the designations in it. There is discussion of Husk applying for a grant from LHTAC, currently.

Law Enforcement Report: Deputy Kelly addresses the Council and reports that there were 132 hours logged, with 21 complaints, 1 arrest, 0 DUI's, 5 citations, and 53 traffic contacts. There is discussion of the report. There is discussion of speeding still being an issue, but it is noted that the Council has noticed more presence on Menan Lorenzo Hwy, and it is appreciated. There is discussion of possibly working on the speeding on 630 N and 665 N as people will speed down these back roads to avoid Menan Lorenzo Hwy. There is discussion of the employee parking along the side of the Walker Plant on the corner of HWY 48 and the hazard it can be. The Council asks if the Sheriff's Deputies could ask the plant manager to stop the parking along the building.

Letter to Long Island Canal Company Regarding the Headgate on Men. Lor. Hwy.-Action: Noel states that this is an item he asked if he could address the Council about. He then states that the current placement of the canal head gate is right where 3600 E would continue south eventually to connect to 3600 E in the county. He prepared a draft of a letter to send to the canal company that simply puts them on notice so when they next have to do major repairs, they can move it down where it won't be in the way. There is discussion of this. The Council thinks it is a great idea, would like the item to be on next month's agenda so the new Mayor and Council can be involved. The Council thank Noel.

Public Discussion: Milton states that there is still a moratorium on building in the Area of Impact. He states that Area of Impact agreement removed the zoning for the impact area, so the County will need to meet with the P&Z and Council to go through what the best zones are going to be in the impact area. There is discussion of the zoning that requires ten acre lots that has been discussed.

Maintenance Update: Matt states he has put a camera up at the sewer dump at the lagoons. There is discussion of the progress with the dump and what needs to be done to finish it. He then states that he has found a road grater to purchase. There is discussion of this, the cost, and the possible financing needed. There is discussion of the Christmas lights being up and looking good. There is then discussion of the lights on the city building not working and being a hazard.

Treasurers Report-Action: There is discussion of the financials provided. There is discussion of not a lot being on the report as it is still early in the fiscal year.

Troy Hanson made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. Amy Gahn seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Bills-Action: There is discussion of the bills from last month. There is discussion of the bucket truck Matt purchased.

Ben Smith made a motion to accept and pay the bills. Troy Hanson seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Minutes: There is discussion of the minutes from last meeting. There is discussion of the minutes that were emailed not being the same as the ones in the meeting packet. Allyson states she forgot to merge the minutes finished on the thumb drive that were emailed out with the ones on the office computer. She will merge them and fix it.

Troy Hanson made a motion to accept the combined and edited minutes from the Nov. 14, 2023 meeting. Ben Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Ben Smith made a motion to adjourn. Amy Gahn seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Council Meeting ended at 7:55 pm.

Allyson Pettingill,
City Clerk/Treasurer