## SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The Winchester City Council held a special meeting August 5, 2021 at City Hall.

Mayor McIntire called the special meeting to order at 6 p.m. with the following council in attendance: Lawrence Coultas, Ron Bell, Bill Jacquot, Terry Gregory, Sandy Long, Jeff Pittman, City Clerk Teri Little.

Also, in attendance were John Paul Coonrod, City Attorney (via Zoom); John Simmons Supt, of Public Works. Greg Hillis and Drew Ruholl, Benton and Associates.

Bids were opened earlier in the week on Monday for the oil and chip work. One bid was received from Illinois Valley Paving for \$69,918.75. Drew Ruholl from Benton and Associates stated that he recommends to accept the bid as it was within \$100.00 of the estimated amount.

**MOTION**: Lawrence Coultas moved, and Terry Gregory seconded to accept the bid from Illinois Valley Paving for \$69,918.75. Roll call resulted in all yeas. Motion carried.

Mayor McIntire requested that Benton and Associates go ahead and layout the 2.05 acres for Dollar General property and residential lots on N Main with 2 different options.

Greg Hillis will see if they can do a preliminary map for the next council meeting.

December the new grant should be open to bid for the sewer project on N Main. Once it is open, they will file for the grant.

Lawrence Coultas, Alderman presented comparison for the 2 companies that the city is looking into for new water and gas meter readers. The initial cost is about \$8000.00 difference. The main concern is the total cost in 20 years. Seems that one company has a large 3% increase yearly.

The Core and Main system is a site read system and the UPL system reads at ground level.

Lawrence will check on the yearly fees and will bring back more details at next months meeting. Want to ensure that picks the best system for the best money.

Lawrence will proceed in applying for the loan at 84 months at 2.95% at \$5551.93 a month.

Bill Jacquot asked if we had a response from the Scott County Health Department as to if we would be able to utilize the Code Red alertify system for City emergencies or special meetings. Lawrence stated that he had spoken with them and they agreed to send out any notifications we needed.

**MOTION:** Ron Bell moved, and Jeff Pittman seconded to adjourn meeting at 6:45 P.M. Roll call resulted in all yeas. Motion carried.

Rex McIntire, Mayor

Teri Little, City Clerk