

Mt. Pulaski City Council Meeting
City Hall
Tuesday, November 28, 2023
6:30 P.M.

The City Council Meeting was called to order at 6:30 P.M., Mayor Bobell presided. Roll call was taken. Those present: Randy Hagenbuch, Sean McCormick, John Aylesworth, Joe Butler, and Brad Davis. Kate Davis was absent. Also, present were Chief, Tony West, Matt Presswood, and Dee Howard

Mayor Bobell then led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Recognition of Guests: Hayden Morris, Marla Blair, Sandy Bowles, Jay Burns, and Michelle Hagenbuch

Approval of Consent Agenda: Motion by Joe Butler, second by John Aylesworth, to approve the Consent Agenda Items: Claims and Accounts. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Randy Hagenbuch, Sean McCormick, John Aylesworth, Joe Butler, and Brad Davis. No nay. Motion carried.

Public Comments: None

Reports by Officers

- **Police Chief Tony West:** Officer West reported there was an inoperable vehicle that has been taken care of. Rise Broadband wants to do more soliciting in town. He isn't sure how often they want to come if it's just once a month over several months or what. Mayor Bobell is not a fan of long term. Officer West said the ordinance states you must sign in at city hall and pay a fee each time. The council wants to keep the ordinance as is.

- **Director of Public Works:** Matt reported the leaf collector broke down last week, but they are close to being done. While they are waiting for parts to come, they are getting the snow equipment ready. Matt has gotten the results of the asbestos testing on the Vinegar Hill building and sent those reports to both parties that sent bids in. There is asbestos throughout the building. Matt has scheduled testing on the property of 104 S Washington.

- **Treasurers Report:** Dee gave the treasurers report. The IMRF fund CD is up for renewal. She said Longview has the highest rate of 5.5. It can be locked in for 90 days or longer. Council would like a year.

Old Business: There are no updates on the Vine Street sidewalk project.

Bidding on the roof at city hall was discussed at the last meeting but no action was taken due to not being on the agenda.

Motion by Sean McCormick, second by John Aylesworth, to approve Bids for City Hall. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Randy Hagenbuch, Sean McCormick, John Aylesworth, Joe Butler, and Brad Davis. No nay. Motion carried.

New Business: No new business:

Other Business: Bill Glaze inquired about the possibility of helping with the cost of the new sidewalk from the corner of Cooke St to the alley by the drive up. The cost of the sidewalk is estimated at \$18,000. Mayor Bobell said that the sidewalk is in good shape. Brad thought maybe it wouldn't look right with the way the new addition, so he is in favor of helping. Joe questioned if they would pay half. The council will consider it.

Matt and Paula suggested doing something different this year for the Christmas Party. Instead of going to the Brickyard they would like to have a potluck at city hall. Paula and Matt Presswood will prepare the food. The party will be held December 22nd at noon.

Public Comments: None

Executive Session: Motion by Joe Butler, second by Sean McCormick, to exit regular session and enter executive session for discussion of Personnel Pay Raises. Voice vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Randy Hagenbuch, second by Brad Davis, to exit Executive Session and Re-Enter Regular Session. Voice vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by John Aylesworth, second by Sean McCormick, to approve raise as presented with respect to Building Inspector. Voice vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Adjourn: Motion by Brad Davis, second by Joe Butler to adjourn. Voice vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Anna Beckers – City Clerk