Mt. Pulaski City Council Meeting Tuesday, April 23, 2019 6:30pm

Present: Mayor Matthew Bobell, Alderman, Emerick, Knauer, Neaville and Rentmeister, City Treasurer Tricia Aylesworth, Police Chief Tony West

Absent: Alderman Maxheimer, Director of Public Works Matt Presswood

Recognition of Guests:

The City Council meeting was called to order, Mayor Matthew Bobell presided.

Mayor Bobell stated the City has received the official results from the Logan County Clerk's office. Mayor Bobell read a resolution for Alderman Knauer and Alderman Palmquist recognizing their service.

City Attorney, Jordan Klein swore in Daniel Smock to the office of Alderman Ward 3.

Mayor Bobell stated he would like to appoint Darin Phillips to Alderman Ward 2. A motion was made by Alderman Emrick and seconded by Alderman Rentmeister to approve the appointment of Darin Phillips to Alderman Ward 2. All voting yea – the motion carried.

Public Comments - Agenda Items Only:

Police: Police Chief, Tony West stated they are continuing working on inoperable vehicles. Tony stated he has received several call reporting scam calls. Do not give out any information, just hang up the phone.

Water/ Sewer: Alderman Palmquist stated the water/sewer committee did not meet this month.

Streets/Alleys: Nothing to report.

Financing: Deposits to date: \$23,707.98

Public Comments – Non Agenda Items: Leslie "Foxie" Hild stated he would make another synopsis and report back at the next meeting to get the new Alderman up to speed with Bates Rd. City Attorney, Jordan Klein stated he has been in touch with Wendy from IDOT about the roads within the county. They have offered to research their records. Jordan stated he spoke with them today and they are still searching.

Approval of Consent Agenda: City Clerk, Kelly Cowan read the bills as presented. A motion was made by Alderman Rentmeister and seconded by Alderman Smock to approve the bills as presented. All voting yea – the motion carried.

Mayor Bobell stated he would like to remove the **Budget** from the consent agenda to allow the new Aldermen time to look over it.

Alderman Emrick stated he just got the worksheets from Valerie. It looks like there is a carryover from the general fund. Alderman Emrick would like to continue reconciling the accounts. Mayor Bobell stated the water lump sum payment will be removed from the consent agenda for now.

Miscellaneous: Alderman Emrick stated since he just got the worksheets from Valerie, he has been held up the reconciling of the accounts. Alderman Emrick would like to get with Valerie and then he will make a presentation once all is complete.

Building Inspector, Greg Maus stated he would like some guidance on some City codes about **portable structures**. A citizen is wanting to build a portable two (2) car garage that can be moved. There is nothing in the City codes about them.

Greg Maus stated he would like some guidance on **setback variances** as to how far a fence needs to be set back from a side walk. Greg stated every time he has a setback variance it seems to be different. Greg suggested coming up with a one (1) page easy to understand guideline. Mayor Bobell stated he would look into the codes also.

Mayor Bobell stated he received a reciprocal information agreement from Illinois department of revenue. Alderman Emrick stated this is a routine formality that periodically update the agreement. A motion was made by Alderman Rentmeister and seconded by Alderman Emrick to enter into the agreement. All voting yea – the motion carried.

Mayor Bobell stated the Logan County Economic Development Partnership contribution request has been received by the City. Bill Thomas has done a lot with our community and to continue using his service the City has donated \$3,000.00 in previous years. Alderman Emrick stated there are communities that are not using this partnership and he would like to look into as why they chose not to. A motion was made by Alderman Phillips and seconded by Alderman Emrick to table this matter of business. All voting yea – the motion carried.

City Treasurer, Tricia Aylesworth stated she sent an email with the **backhoe balloon payment** details to the council. The council is in agreement for Tricia to move forward with the paper work at the place with the lowest interest quote.

Alderman Emrick stated the **EAB** meet last night and are moving forward with the grocery co-op finalizing the location. The Cavastani's have agreed to lease their building free for one (1) year. King of the Hill 5K is being planned. One (1) grant has been approved and will be added to the next agenda to be voted on by the council.

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