

Mt. Pulaski City
Council Meeting
Tuesday, August 27, 2019
6:30pm

Present: Mayor Matthew Bobell, Alderman Emrick, Maxheimer, Neaville, Phillips, Rentmeister and Smock, City Treasurer Tricia Aylesworth, Police Chief Tony West, Director of Public Works Matt Presswood

Recognition of Guests:

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

Public Comments – Agenda Items Only:

Police: Nothing to report.

Water/ Sewer: Alderman Smock stated lift **station 3 pump** has been removed and sent off to be reconditioned. Justin with Farnsworth received a response from **CN rail road** about the new force main permit. Some slight revisions will need to be made to the plan and soil samples sent in to complete the permit process. **Valve exercising** has been done on the East side of town. Five (5) **water meters** have been replaced.

Streets/Alleys: Alderman Rentmeister stated he has been in contact with several **rental places to inquire about machinery to oil and chip**. He has been in contact with Mark Carlin from Chestnut about renting the machinery. Mark is willing to work with the city to demonstrate how to use the machinery. The weather has set back the rental of this machinery as it is being rented now. Alderman Rentmeister also discussed **alley work**, getting some alley's leveled out. This project may not get done this year.

Financing: Deposits to date: \$22,173.02

Public Comments – Non Agenda Items:

Approval of Consent Agenda: City Clerk, Kelly Cowan read the **bills** as presented.

Mayor Bobell stated a grant application from Sue Warman was submitted to the EAB for **business district appropriation**. The grant was applied for last year for the N. side of the post office. The council has the same opinion as last year. Mayor Bobell will reply the council has denied this grant request.

City Treasurer, Tricia Aylesworth stated there were no changes to the **2019-2020 appropriations**, it is real similar to last year and ties to the budget.

A motion was made by Alderman Neaville and seconded by Alderman Smock to **approve the consent agenda** approval of bill as presented, business district grant application denial and 2019-2020 appropriations. All voting yea – the motion carried.

City Treasurer, Tricia Aylesworth stated the **2019-2020 Levy** is complete with the help of Sally Turner. Mayor Bobell would like the council to review.

Miscellaneous: Mayor Bobell stated an e-mail was received from Nicole from the Illinois Gaming about the number of **video gaming** machines in establishments. In the City ordinance there is not a max number of machines. The council is in agreement to do nothing with the ordinance and allow six (6) machines in the establishments.

Mayor Bobell stated he was contacted by Will DeAndre about the **Logan County GIS contribution**. Two (2) years ago the city contributed \$2200.00, last year there was not a contribution. Alderman Neaville sees the benefits from Will's office, Alderman Emrick wants to know what other communities are contributing and how much. Mayor Bobell stated he would do some research and report back to the council.

Mayor Bobell stated him along with Police Chief, Tony West wants the City to be prepared and have an ordinance for **recreational marijuana**.

Mayor Bobell stated Bill Thomas suggests if the town square is going to be a **commercial business district** then 1st floor apartments should not be allowed. The council is in agreement. Mayor Bobell will follow up with Bill Thomas and get something in writing and report back to the council.

Executive Session: A motion was made by Alderman Emrick and seconded by Alderman Rentmeister to exit regular session and enter into executive session to discuss personnel for 20 mins. All voting yea – the motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Neaville and seconded by Alderman Maxheimer to exit executive session and enter into regular session. All voting yea – the motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Neaville and seconded by Alderman Phillips to accept the **pay raises**. All voting yea – the motion carried.

Mayor Bobell stated the meeting was adjourned.

Kelly Cowan- City Clerk