Mt. Pulaski City Council Meeting Tuesday, February 11, 2020 6:30pm

Present: Mayor Bobell, City Attorney Jordan Klein, Alderman Emrick, Maxheimer, Neaville, Phillips and Smock, Director of Public Works Matt Presswood

Absent: Alderman Rentmeister, City Treasurer Tricia Aylesworth

Recognition of Guests: Andrew Meister, Scott Schaffenacker

The City Council meeting was called to order, Mayor Bobell presided. Mayor Bobell led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made by Alderman Neaville and seconded by Alderman Phillips to approve the items of business under the **consent agenda**; Claims and accounts and the minutes from the previous meeting. Roll Call - All voting yea- the motion carried.

Public Comments – Agenda Items Only:

Reports by Officers:

- **Police Chief Tony West**: Going through the schools daily. There is an intern working with the department from now until April or May. A reported break in happened down at the storage unites.
- **Director of Public Works Matt Presswood:** The paper work is back and is submitted to the Canadian National Rail Road. We are waiting for the approval from the CN rail road.

Matt received five (5) letters from students at MPGS asking questions about the water system. Mayor Bobell and he will make a presentation and answer questions to the kids and their class.

• **City Treasurer, Tricia Aylesworth**: Deposits to date: \$24,526.23. The treasurer's report was given to the council.

Old Business:

New Business: Bob Brock with Brock Ins. Group presented and discussed pricing between three (3) different **insurance** companies. Bob proposed to stay with the current Blue Cross Blue Shield plan adding the blue preferred PPO BCE with little increase. A motion was made by Alderman Emrick and seconded by Alderman Neaville to renew the current plan with Blue Cross Blue Shield adding the blue preferred PPO BCE plan. Roll Call – All voting yea – the motion carried.

Business District Appropriation – None

The **proposed principal loan payment** will be added to the next agenda to be discussed with city treasurer, Tricia Aylesworth.

Other Business: Lorah Hoe stated the **EAB** is looking for a **steering committee for a daycare** facility that is a need for this community. The Next EAB meeting is March 7th at 9 am.

Mayor Bobell stated Tim Emrick will be stepping down as the **City liaison** and Matt Bobell will be the new city liaison.

Mayor Bobell stated **EAB board seats are coming to term**. There will be an ad placed to see if there are any persons of interest.

Mayor Bobell was approached by Julie Bobell to do a **city newsletter**. There will be no articles just a calendar of events to keep citizens informed. The city equipment will be used and a fee will be charged. A draft will be presented to the council. The distribution would be different business hubs along with social media.

Marla Blaire is interested in starting a **town paper**. She is looking to find a place to get started.

There will be a **zoning meeting** March 25th at 6:30pm.

Public Comments – Non Agenda Items: Andrew Meister a board member for **The Market on the Hill** stated they are looking for ways to appease community members. The board is requesting a **package liquor license**. Mayor Bobell stated there is one (1) package liquor license available. The board will apply for a package liquor license.

Scott Schaffenacker is the representative for the county board and is requesting the council to have an agenda item added to **endorse the Logan County Court House referendum**. Mayor Bobell requested a resolution with more details about the referendum for the council.

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

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

Mayor Bobell stated there is no action to be taken.

With no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Alderman Neaville and seconded by Alderman Smock to **adjourn** the meeting. All voting yea—the motion carried.

Kelly Cowan- City Clerk