

**City of Mt. Pulaski**  
**City Council Meeting**  
**SPECIAL SESSION**  
**Thursday, May 21, 2020**  
**6:30 PM**

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

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

Director of public works, Matt Presswood presented a cost of production analysis if the city built a water treatment plant for the treatment of iron, manganese and nitrates. There are three (3) different options on the analysis that was presented. Option (A) – build a \$3M plant with cost of production being \$3.67/ thousand, option (B) – build a \$3.5M plant with cost of production being \$4.08/ thousand and option (C) – build a \$4M plant with cost of production being \$4.48/thousand. The EPA’s recent concern is the nitrates but wants to know how the city will control the iron and manganese.

Eric Emmerich with United Regional Water Cooperative presented the council with the water supply agreement that was given a few years ago and a project estimate of the extension to Mt. Pulaski. Eric stated there are different options for the city. The city can join the United Regional Water Cooperative for forty (40) years and become a board member. The city can join the URWC for lesser years paying \$400,000 for the extension to Mt. Pulaski with no board member. The city can sell the water system to E.J Waters.

Mayor Bobell stated selling the water system to American Illinois water is another option.

Mayor Bobell asked the former director of public works, Mike Patridge what his opinion is. Mike stated he would lean toward EJ Waters. With what the EPA is requiring with all the regulations it will be hard to maintain and if the city can relieve itself from the future requirements then do that. Either way the city chooses to go the water will not be clear until the infrastructure is fixed. That will take time.

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