

Mt. Pulaski City Council Meeting
City Hall
Tuesday, April 11, 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: Joe Butler, Brad Davis, and Randy Hagenbuch. Those absent were Kate Davis, Tim Emrick, Dan Smock & Anna Beckers. Also present was Police Chief Tony West, Treasurer Dee Howard and Director of Public Works, Matt Presswood

Mayor Bobell then led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Recognition of Guests: John Aylesworth & Michelle Hagenbuch

Approval of Consent Agenda: Motion by Randy Hagenbuch, second by Brad Davis, to approve Consent Agenda Items: Claims and Accounts. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Joe Butler, Brad Davis, Randy Hagenbuch and Mayor Matt Bobell.. No nay. Motion carried

Public Comments: Mayor Bobell stated that the City should be receiving the “certified” election results in the near future.

Reports by Officers:

- **Police Chief Tony West:** Officer West reported that Eric Notto has been working on the new Police Ford Explorer to get the new electronics set up and transferred from the old squad car. And also stated he’s been busy with golf cart & SBS applications.
- **Director of Public Works Matt Presswood:** Matt stated that the Public Works crew has been doing quite a lot of work at Frazier Park and making good progress. The Veteran banner project will be done later next month before Memorial weekend. Matt also said he’s checked into rental equipment from United Rentals and that their prices are quite a lot better than the previous rental company. He’s hoping to get started on streets, alleys & gutter work in the near future.
- **City Treasurer:** Dee Howard gave the Treasurer report which reflected deposits, monthly ACH transactions and that stop payments were issued on various outstanding checks.. Mayor Bobell also stated that [Jordan Klein](#) is still working on closing the Easement Escrow account, to be issued to ILAW. Jordan said he’s trying to get an additional \$2000 for the extra title work that we’ve done.

Old Business:

New Business:

- Discussion & revision to Title 9 Chapter 3 of Code Regarding Parking on Public Streets: There was a lot of discussion on this topic between the Mayor, Chief West & City Attorney, Jordan Klein. Jordan stated that 72 hours is a universal #, used by a lot of other cities, municipalities. He suggested keeping the 72 hour ordinance as is and to try and address this issue and enforce it as needed by Police Chief West.
- Frazier Park Fencing Bids: There were 4 bids. 1. General Fence - \$33,866. 2. Century Fence - \$39,000. 3. Goodman Fence - \$30,487. 4. R. L. Vollentine - \$66,900. Dee did mention that the EDPB has plans on giving some money towards the work being done at Frazier Park. Motion by Randy Hagenbuch, seconded by [Joe Butler](#), to accept the bid for Frazier Park Fencing from Goodman Fence Co., for \$30,487. Roll call vote: Answering Aye: [Joe Butler](#), [Brad Davis](#), [Randy Hagenbuch](#) and Mayor Bobell. No nay. Motion carried.

Other Business:

- [Dee Howard](#) stated that the concrete steps are crumbling in the 100 block of S. Washington St. Mayor Bobell asked Matt Presswood to go ahead and repair this sidewalk / step area or get a contractor to repair it, if need be.
- Joe Butler asked if any quotes came in yet for the roof repair at City Hall. Matt Presswood said he is still waiting on bids to come in and / or call backs from the different companies.
- Dee Howard asked on behalf of the EDPB, if she could run a FB post to get more EDPB board member seats filled. Mayor Bobell said that would be fine.
- [Michelle Hagenbuch](#) gave a quick update on 2nd Friday on the Square & the vendors, etc.
- Mayor Bobell stated that the City will be using EDR for filing the TIF report with the State Comptroller's office, once the "FY22 Audit" is completed.
- Also Mayor Bobell, wanted the Council to decide how to spend the ARPA grant money that we received over the last 2 years, in the amount of \$199,227.93. This will be decided at the next meeting. The guidelines were emailed to the Council and can also be used on payroll for any departments within the local government. Paula will need to submit an annual report by Apr 30, 2023.

Public Comments:

Motion by Joe Butler, second by Randy Hagenbuch, to adjourn. Voice vote. All ayes. Motion passed.

Executive Session:

Minutes taken by Paula Holcomb