Mt. Pulaski City Council Meeting City Hall Tuesday, April 9, 2024 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: John Aylesworth, Joe Butler, Brad Davis, Kate Davis, Randy Hagenbuch, and Sean McCormick. Also, present were Chief, Tony West, Matt Presswood, and Dee Howard

Mayor Bobell then led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Recognition of Guests:

Approval of Consent Agenda: Motion by Kate Davis, second by Joe Butler, to approve the Consent Agenda Items: Claims and Accounts. Roll call vote. Answering aye: John Aylesworth, Joe Butler, Brad Davis, Kate Davis, Randy Hagenbuch, and Sean McCormick. No nay. Motion carried.

Public Comments: None

Reports by Officers

- **Police Chief Tony West**: Officer West reported he's still waiting to hear back from Sangamon-Logan Systems. Everything else is going fine.
- **Director of Public Works:** Matt reported he will be renting the lift in the near future for the banners and tree trimming. He plans on opening and exposing several storm drains at once to see what all will be needed to fix them. Fransworth has been putting stakes along Vine Street in preparation for redoing it. As far as them giving Matt plans for Frazier Park he's still waiting on them. Matt said there is no city sewer at the park and nobody can tell him where the septic tank is located. He stated they wouldn't need a lift station for city water because the water would drain down. He has checked on fencing for dugouts and other areas with he cost being around \$3,500. Dee Howard asked for an update on the demolition on the building uptown. Matt said stated they're still waiting on Ameren. John inquired about the roofing on the city hall roofs. Matt said they'll be starting the end of the month.
- **Treasurers Report:** Dee gave the treasurers report.

New Business: Sangamon-Logan System's has not sent a contract, so no action was taken tonight.

Motion by Joe Butler, second by Sean McCormick to approve \$1,000 for flower pots from Business District Funds. Roll call vote. Answering aye: John Aylesworth, Joe Butler, Brad Davis, Kate Davis, Randy Hagenbuch, and Sean McCormick. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Randy Hagenbuch, second by Joe Butler to approve \$6,000 to the Fire Department for fireworks from General Funds. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Joe Butler, Brad Davis, Kate Davis, Randy Hagenbuch, and Sean McCormick. Abstain- John Aylesworth. No nay. Motion carried.

No action was taken tonight on HJ Elzy Properties 100-102 until Mayor Bobell can speak to Jordan Klein regarding conflict of interest.

Old Business: None

Other Business: John has been contacted by a resident wanting to have a tree replanted. He wasn't sure what the city's stance was. The tree has to be approved and the city will pay up to \$50.00 on it. The Tree Committee meets every 1st Friday.

Matt Presswood wanted to know if the city is notified by GFL if there are residents who have delinquent bills. Paula stated she has talked to the company, and they do have some but aren't sure if it's due to being a vacant house. Mayor Bobell confirmed garbage bills are GFL's responsibility. John feels there wasn't enough notification on the change of dates for recycling.

The junk drive will be after the 4th of July garage sales.

Brad asked Tony about trains blocking streets for longer than 10 minutes. He said there was a train blocking the street for 45 minutes and he didn't think they could do that for emergency reasons. Tony said there is a phone number by the tracks that you can call.

Public Comments – Non Agenda: 2nd Fridays will be starting up again in May.

Executive Session:

Adjourn: Motion by John Aylesworth, second by Brad Davis, to adjourn. Voice vote. All ayes. Motion carried.