

Mt. Pulaski City Council Meeting
City Hall
Tuesday, July 23, 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, Brad Davis, Sean McCormick, and Ed Anderson. Absent was Randy Hagenbuch. Also present were Chief, Tony West, Matt Presswood, and Dee Howard.

Mayor Bobell then led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Recognition of Guests: Marla Blair and Jay Burn

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

Public Comments: None

Reports by Officers

- **Police Chief Tony West:** Officer West reported a harassment call, ordinance violation, and a stop sign violation. Noah is not fully on his own yet but is doing some alone time.
- **Director of Public Works:** Matt Presswood report they have the patch machine out and have started working on areas around the schools. The junk drive went well this year with all dumpsters being delivered and on time. Demolition on the Vinegar Hill property did not start off well. The company wants to back out now. They have had problems with Craig Eimer. Matt said he has had all three parties and several meetings prior to the demo start date to make sure they were all on the same page. Craig had called Mayor Bobell last week concerned about insurance and the company doing the job. After further discussion demolition is on hold until we get legal advice from Jordan Klein.
- **Treasurers Report:** Dee gave the treasurers report.

New Business: There are no new developments on the ITEP Grant. The September deadline doesn't give them enough time to get an application together.

Kate Davis was contacted by a resident new to town who said there have been a lot of stray cats around their property. Mayor Bobell said we pay Logan County Animal Control \$2,400 to come to town. Officer West said he usually gets calls about dogs. Mayor Bobell said residents are allowed to call them as well.

Swanson, Martin & Bell, LLP is the firm the city has contacted to represent the city of Mt. Pulaski in the asbestos litigation case.

Motion by Ed Anderson, second by Brad Davis, to approve Swanson, Martin & Bell, LLP Retainer Agreement: re Asbestos Litigation. Roll call vote. Answering aye: John Aylesworth, Brad Davis, Kate Davis, Sean McCormick, and Ed Anderson. No nay. Motion carried.

Old Business: None

Other Business: An email was sent to council regarding revamping of capitalization. They want to change the amount on invoices from \$1,000 to \$5,000 thus shortening the list for audits. This will make things easier for both parties.

Renee Martin contacted the city to get a sign for the Mt. Pulaski Trap Team. This is not an IHSA sanctioned sport. Paula will be contacting the high school and Renee to see what they would like. The trap team placed in both State and National titles.

Public Comments – Non-Agenda:

Executive Session:

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

Anna Beckers – City Clerk

