

Mt. Pulaski City Council Meeting
City Hall
Tuesday, June 25, 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: Sean McCormick, John Aylesworth, Brad Davis, Kate Davis, and 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: Michelle Hagenbuch and Marla Blair

New Business: First order of business is the appointment of Ed Anderson as alderman for Ward 2. Ed will be taking the place of Joe Butler.

Motion by Sean McCormick, second by Randy Hagenbuch, to approve appointment of Ed Anderson for Ward 2. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Sean McCormick, John Aylesworth, Brad Davis, Kate Davis, and Randy Hagenbuch. No nay. Motion carried.

Mayor Bobell moved Old Business up so the representative could leave.

Old Business: Seth Flach, of Milano and Grunloh, was present to discuss Safe Routes to School. He informed council the city was awarded a \$250,000 grant toward construction only. There is a \$27,470 design fee that is not covered. Construction will start at the elementary school and continue the sidewalk throughout the city. Seth said there is an Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP) that the city can apply for, and they will help with it. He also stated this is something that you can apply for every year. Mayor Bobell asked if this is something that the Vine Street sidewalk project can be added to. Seth can add it to the grant, but it must be done by September 30th.

Motion by Kate Davis, second by Sean McCormick, to approve Engineering Agreement with Milano and Grunloh. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Sean McCormick, John Aylesworth, Brad Davis, Kate Davis, Randy Hagenbuch, and Ed Anderson. No nay. Motion carried.

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: Sean McCormick, John Aylesworth, Brad Davis, Kate Davis, Randy Hagenbuch, and Ed Anderson. No nay. Motion carried.

Public Comments: None

Reports by Officers

- **Police Chief Tony West:** Officer West reported some ordinance violations of tall grass or junk in yards.
- **Director of Public Works:** Matt Presswood reported partial demolition of 104 S. Washington has been held up due to Ameren and IAW not cutting utilities to the building. He stated the whole building will be abandoned, it's not occupied and not the city's problem. The company will be in town for the demolition of Vinegar Hill and would like to get it done. They plan on starting July 8th. IAW will not let them hook up to their water so Matt told them they can use the city's but will have to pay for it. With tree work done, they have started on streets and some storm drains. They will be working on the sidewalk inventory. Mayor Bobell asked about the handrail by the Longview Bank. Matt will contact Cole Huff to get something put up there as well as where the Christian Church took down their wooden railing. John Aylesworth asked about the metal plates in the streets. Matt said one of them is by the catch basin and the other is IAW water vault. He will secure the one by the catch basin, so it doesn't slip around.
- **Treasurers Report:** Dee gave the treasurers report. Mayor Bobell pointed out with the 1% grocery tax being taken away the city will lose about \$30,000 a year. Dee said the auditors will be in the office on July 22nd and 23rd.

Other Business: None

Public Comments – Non-Agenda:

Executive Session: Motion by Kate Davis, second by John Aylesworth, to exit Regular Session and enter Executive Session for discussion of Personnel. Voice vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Kate Davis, second by Brad Davis, to exit Executive Session and re-enter Regular session. Voice vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

No action taken tonight.

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

Anna Beckers – City Clerk

