

Mt. Pulaski City
Council Meeting
Tuesday, March 23, 2021
6:30pm

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

Absent:

Recognition of Guests:

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

Public Comments – Agenda Items Only:

Police: Police Chief Tony West stated they are working on a few ordinance violations. There was another lock down drill at the High School and Grade School.

Water/ Sewer: Director of Public Works, Matt Presswood stated the electrical issues are complete at well #5.

Streets/Alleys: Director of Public Works, Matt Presswood stated the new steps have been installed on the East side courthouse lawn. The steps were built to move, so in winter months they can be stored inside. The material for the patch machine has come in and the crew is working on getting machines ready.

Financing: Deposits to date: \$183,608.75

Public Comments – Non - Agenda Items: Josh Hartke with Apex Solar discussed the need to extend the enterprise zone to go around the mulligan solar site. The extension would be for 18 months. All municipalities in the county agreement have to approve. This matter of business will be discussed at the next council meeting.

Approval of Consent Agenda: City Clerk, Kelly Cowan read the **bills** as presented. A motion was made by Alderman Smock and seconded by Alderman Davis to approve the consent agenda items. All voting yea – the motion carried.

Miscellaneous: A motion was made by Alderman Emrick and seconded by Alderman Davis to approve the ordinance to declare that keeping the water/sewer systems is no longer in the best interest of the city. All voting yea – Davis, Emrick, Phillips and Rentmeister, All Voting nay – Maxheimer & Smock. Motion failed.

A motion was made by Alderman Emrick and seconded by Alderman Davis on the approval of Illinois American Water APA and Franchise agreement for sale of water/sewer system. All voting yea – Davis, Emrick, Phillips and Rentmeister, All Voting nay – Maxheimer & Smock. Motion failed.

Alderman Maxheimer stated she is standing up for the people in this town by voting no, but feels it is in the best interest of the City to sell the water/sewer system.

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Business District Appropriations: None at this time

Executive Session:

Mayor Bobell stated the meeting was adjourned.

Kelly Cowan- City Clerk