

Mt. Pulaski City Council Meeting  
City Hall  
Tuesday, May 14, 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: Brad Davis, Randy Hagenbuch, Sean McCormick and John Aylesworth. Also present were Chief, Tony West, Matt Presswood, and Dee Howard. Absent was Kate Davis.

Mayor Bobell then led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Recognition of Guests:**

**Approval of Consent Agenda:** Motion by Brad Davis, second by Randy Hagenbuch, to approve Consent Agenda Items: Claims, Accounts, April Minutes and April 23<sup>rd</sup> Executive Session Minutes. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Brad Davis, Randy Hagenbuch, Sean McCormick, and John Aylesworth. No nay. Motion carried.

**Public Comments:** None

**Reports by Officers**

- **Police Chief Tony West:** Officer West reported Noah Reidle graduated from the academy on April 26<sup>th</sup>. He is happy to have another hand. Noah spoke to the council and thanked them for their support. Tony sent out information on the Sangamon-Logan County Police System and would like to get this going as soon as possible. He also reported they are down to one squad car. The engine on the Charger went out and should be fixed by the end of the month. It is eleven years old so he would like to look for a new one in the near future.
- **Director of Public Works:** Matt Presswood reported they have rented the lift and have been working on getting banners put up before Memorial Day. After the banners are up, they will start on tree trimming and then commence on alleys. He also reports the lawn mower is out of commission and he may need a new one. He should know by the end of the week. Matt would like something other than a John Deere. Mayor suggested Bad Boy here in town and is to get a bid before next meeting.
- **Treasurers Report:** Dee gave the treasurers report.

**New Business:** Joe Grimm of Farnsworth was present to speak on the 2024 MFT Resolution and Vine Street. A resolution form in the amount of \$300,000.00 to be used for the Vine Street project. They are working on plans and have sent some to Environmental Review. It may take longer due to the railroad tracks. It will then be sent to the city and IDOT for review, from there Farnsworth will discuss final plans with the city. Frazier Park drawings of plans will be sent out to council members.

Motion by Brad Davis, second by Sean McCormick, to approve the 2024 MFT Resolution. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Brad Davis, Randy Hagenbuch, Sean McCormick, and John Aylesworth. No nay. Motion carried.

E3i Ventures, LLC will be setting their firework sales up on the property of Topper's RV & Marine Storage.

Motion by Sean McCormick, second by Brad Davis, to approve E3i Ventures, LLC to sell inside city limits from June 20<sup>th</sup>-July 5<sup>th</sup>. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Brad Davis, Sean McCormick, and John Aylesworth. Abstaining was Randy Hagenbuch. Motion carried.

Officer West has prices for the Sangamon-Logan County Police System. A 3yr subscription would be \$14,943. A 5yr would cost \$50,000 with a fee of \$1500 -\$2000 for updates after the subscription runs out. Brad asked if after the 3yr runs out if you would have to purchase another 3yr. Tony will get more details.

The JM Abbott & Associates renewal for FY25 is due. They have not increased their fees.

Motion by John Aylesworth, second by Brad Davis, to approve JM Abbott & Associates Renewal FY25. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Brad Davis, Randy Hagenbuch, Sean McCormick, and John Aylesworth. No nay. Motion carried.

**Old Business:** None

**Other Business:** John asked if Farnsworth had looked at the sidewalk at Longview for railing. Dee was asking Massie & Massie. Mayor Bobell stated it has to be 42" high before it has to have railing. It was suggested that Cole Huff be contacted and go ahead with putting one up.

Town Square Revitalization is getting close to final stages Dee will help with applying for grants in the next couple weeks. Dee and Mayor Bobell will be setting up a tent on Friday with drawings of the plans.

Farm Fed bought Kella Allspach's building. Dee said there will need to be some tuck pointing done and the roof leaks.

Fireworks will be on July 5<sup>th</sup> with a rain date of July 12<sup>th</sup>.

John wanted to know when the demo of Vinegar Hill would begin. It should start on the first of June.

**Public Comments – Non-Agenda:** Bright Start for Community will be at the next 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday.

**Executive Session:**

**Adjourn:** Motion by John Aylesworth, second by Randy Hagenbuch, to adjourn. Voice vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Anna Beckers – City Clerk

