Mt. Pulaski City Council Meeting The American Legion Tuesday, May 25, 2021 6:30pm

Present: Mayor Bobell, Alderman Davis, Emrick, Hagenbuch, Director of Public Works Matt Presswood, and Chief of Police Tony West

Absent: Alderman Phillips and Smock

Recognition of Guests:

The City Council meeting was called to order, Mayor Bobell presided. Mayor Bobell led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comments - Agenda Items Only:

Reports by Officers:

- **Police Chief Tony West**: Officer West reported two of the ordinance violations resulted in fines of \$604.00. A third ordinance violation was fined \$306.00 to be paid by August 19, 2021.
- Director of Public Works Matt Presswood:
- Water/Sewer: Matt Presswood reported they are putting a catch basin in on Spring St. When they finish work there, they will start working on patching the roads. The meter reader is having some issues. The equipment is 20-25 years old. They are using a loaner handheld one for now. The EPA has requested some changes which we are accommodating.
- **Streets/Alley**: A couple of trees were removed due to being unsafe. It is hoped to have the memorial flags up before Memorial Day. Matt is waiting on Phyllis Beccue to let them know where she would like them placed. The fire department, and Don Maxheimer have volunteered to help put them up.

• City Treasurer:

Public Comments – Non-Agenda Items: Donnie Neale was present with his concerns of speed of vehicles on Cooke and Scott streets. He asked if there have ever been speed signs placed all around the schools. Mayor Bobell will investigate it and report at the next meeting.

Approval of Consent Agenda: Motion by Alderman Davis, second by Alderman Emrick, to approve Bills. All ayes. Motion carried.

New Business: Mayor Bobell would like consideration on giving a donation to The American Legion for the use of their building. They have not charged the city anything in the year they have used it. A donation of \$2,000.00 will be given to help with the cost with the Council's approval. All members present approve the donation.

The IMRF CD will expire the first of June. Mayor Bobell would like to renew this CD if there are no objections. With no objections being made the \$25,000.00 CD will be renewed.

Miscellaneous: Mayor Bobell would like to have the budgets in by the end of June.

The Town Square Renovation committee has not given an update since the last time he was at a meeting. Matt Presswood mentioned it would be a prime opportunity to replace old water lines. He stated they will have to be cautious as the buildings are so old that they do not damage them. Mayor Bobell said any excavation being done has to be left in as good as shape as it was.

Core Construction has sent an estimate on the sidewalk work at the high school. It was understood that the city would pay half and the school district would pay the other half. Mayor Bobell will be contacting Fred Lamkey.

Alderman Tim Emrick would like to see some finality on the recycling.

Executive Session: Motion by Alderman Emrick, second by Alderman Davis, to enter Executive Session for Employment Raises for 20 minutes. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Alderman Emrick, second by Alderman Hagenbuch, to exit Executive Session and return to regular session. All ayes. Motion carried.

No action being taken, Mayor Bobell adjourned the meeting.

Anna Beckers - City Clerk