

Mt. Pulaski City Council Meeting  
City Hall  
Tuesday, September 24, 2024  
6:30 P.M.

The City Council Meeting was called to order at 6:30 P.M. Due to Mayor Bobell being absent, Brad Davis was Mayor Pro-tem. Roll call was taken. Those present: Sean McCormick, Ed Anderson, John Aylesworth, Brad Davis, Kate Davis, and Randy Hagenbuch. Also present were Chief of Police, Tony West, and Dee Howard. Absent was Matt Presswood.

Mayor Bobell then led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Recognition of Guests:** Michelle Hagenbuch and Marla Blair

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

**Public Comments:** None

**Reports by Officers**

- **Police Chief Tony West:** Officer West reported Noah had the opportunity to assist with an accident on Rt. 54. There was a tractor trailed that tried to make a U-turn at Vonderleith and hit a couple parked vehicles in the process. The driver left the scene. Officer West, along with Noah participated in drills at both the grade school and high school.
- **Director of Public Works:** Josh was present to give the streets/alleys report. He said they hope to get the projects they have started finished when the rain stops. They will try to get more catch basins finished. Ameren was installing new gas lines to a property on N. Washington St when they hit a tile. Josh put the wrong signs up at the high school and will be fixing that. He said they have purchased a Milwaukee Palm that will help speed up the process. There have been thirteen of the 25 trees spoken for. If anyone who has had a tree taken down on the boulevard and would like it replaced, you must request one from City Hall. They are expected to be delivered around Thanksgiving. Josh talked about renting an auger to drill the holes to place the trees in.
- **Treasurers Report:** Dee gave the treasurers report.

**New Business:** Darrin Blaum was present to see about a new sidewalk in front of his house. He currently has brick sidewalks that is sunken and jagged. Pedestrians walk in the yard to avoid it. Darrin said his mother does not come over because she's afraid of falling. He would like it to run

straight to the street from the house. Right now, it is offset. He would have to pay the 40% if he is doing it on his own. Mayor Bobell thought he would be in the first phase with both schools and the churches. Brad thinks the city would have to contact the engineer to see regarding the phase it would be in. Darrin also asked about getting a tree from the city to replace the one that was cut down. There isn't enough room on the boulevard, so he is not able to get one from the city.

**Old Business:** None

**Other Business:** The company that is supposed to demolish Vinegar Hill is trying to back out. Josh Poffenbarger said more of the building has collapsed in the back.

Randy Hagenbuch is concerned about the Carriage House having rodents living in it. Tony said he will see about getting some traps. The owner was going to tear it down and rebuild on the same spot, but he has not yet.

Brad brought up pay raises for elected officials that needs to be approved at the next meeting. If a raise is going to be made it must be at least 180 days before the new ones come in.

Mayor Bobell would like to thank the Fall Festival Committee Crew, and the Hilltop Club for a great Fall Festival.

**Public Comments:** Community Association will be having a Halloween decorating contest for outside decorations on both homes and businesses.

**Executive Session:**

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

Anna Beckers- City Clerk