

Mt. Pulaski City
Council Meeting
Tuesday, November 26, 2019
6:30pm

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

Absent: Alderman Smock

Recognition of Guests:

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

Public Comments – Agenda Items Only:

Police: Nothing to report

Water/ Sewer: Nothing to report

Streets/Alleys: Matt Presswood stated the leaf vac is back in service. The final invoice has not been received.

Financing: Deposits to date: \$74,231.74

Public Comments – Non Agenda Items:

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

Miscellaneous: Mayor Bobell stated the council has been discussing the sale of recreational marijuana. Mayor Bobell thanked the public for coming and opened the floor for discussion.

City Attorney Jordan Klein stated if the City decides to move forward then restrictions can be put on top of the state restrictions.

After the open discussion Mayor Bobell asked each Alderman their opinions on this matter of business. **Alderman Neaville** stated it will be legal in Illinois, but we don't have to allow the sale of it here. It could be allowed here in a couple of years if it is all good. **Alderman Phillips** stated from the City stand point it is potential income. **Alderman Maxheimer** stated the concern for the children and the sale of marijuana brownies and gummies. **Alderman Rentmeister** stated he wants to do what is best for the City. He can see pros and cons. **Alderman Emrick** stated he has been for it from the beginning. This is possible revenue for the City. This is a tightly controlled business. **Mayor Bobell** stated he is on the fence. There is revenue there but not sure he is wanting the City to jump on this first hand.

A motion was made by Alderman Neaville to adopt the code to not allow the sale of recreational marijuana putting on all restrictions and allow amendments at a later date. Mayor Bobell stated there was no second. Motion fails.

Mayor Bobell will have City Attorney Jordan Klein draw up an ordinance with restrictions and without restrictions.

Executive Session:

Mayor Bobell stated the meeting was adjourned.

Kelly Cowan- City Clerk