

Mt. Pulaski City Council Meeting  
City Hall  
Tuesday, June 11, 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: Randy Hagenbuch, John Aylesworth, Brad Davis, and Kate Davis. Absent was Sean McCormick. Also present were Chief, Tony West, Matt Presswood, and Dee Howard.

Mayor Bobell then led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Recognition of Guests:** Michelle Hagenbuch

**Approval of Consent Agenda:** Motion by Kate Davis, second by John Aylesworth, to approve Consent Agenda Items: Claims, Account, May Minutes, and May 28<sup>th</sup> Executive Session Minutes. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Randy Hagenbuch, John Aylesworth, Brad Davis, and Kate Davis. No nay. Motion carried.

**Public Comments:** None

**Reports by Officers**

- **Police Chief Tony West:** Officer West reported Noah has been doing a lot of reports. The Charger is back. John asked if he has had any reports of a woman having a baby in a carrier attached to her while driving a golf cart. Tony will check into it.
  
- **Director of Public Works:** Matt Presswood reported tree trimming will be done by the end of the day tomorrow. They had to hire the taller ones out. He wants to change the light bulbs at Frazier Park before the lift must be taken back this Friday. The mower has been fixed and will be picked up tomorrow. There is a confirmation date of July 8<sup>th</sup> for the demolition of the Vinegar Hill building. The city is still waiting on the utilities to 104 S. Washington Street to be taken out before demolition can start on it. Matt has been trying to get Ameren remove them. Mayor Bobell asked if he had been in contact with Jordan to help get things done. Matt responded yes, and he told him to go to Ameren.
  
- **Treasurers Report:** Dee gave the treasurers report. She will be transferring \$250,000 from the Illinois Fund to General Funds. She also gave an update on the Governor's bill for removing the 1% tax on groceries in the future. Mayor Bobell stated that it was totally a political move.

**New Business:** On pay raises for the Police Department, Officer West is satisfied where his pay is.

The representative from Milano and Grunloh was not present this evening. Mayor Bobell asked if they would like to look at the original plan and use \$250,00 on the project and add to it? Kate said she would like to do it but isn't sure how to move forward without talking to the engineer. Brad would like to get a grant in 2 years. Every two years you can apply for a grant. Matt Presswood said he has measured off the street for a sidewalk on Spring Street. He said some properties are too close to the street and would lose a garage or a porch. He stated we could make them move them, but he doesn't really want to go in that direction. Mayor asked if the sidewalk could be moved closer to the street. Matt said it would be a challenge. If there is a 2" difference in grade on an existing sidewalk it needs to be repaired. They all agreed to take advantage while the crew is here to make the sidewalk to Casey's.

**Old Business: None**

**Other Business:** Dee Howard reported the EDPB has donated \$6,000 to the fire department for fireworks.

**Public Comments – Non-Agenda:**

**Executive Session:** Motion by John Aylesworth, second by Randy Hagenbuch, to exit Regular Session and enter Executive Session for discussion of Personnel. Voice vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by John Aylesworth, second by Brad Davis, to exit Executive Session and re-enter Regular session. Voice vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Kate Davis, second by Brad Davis, to approve Police pay raise as discussed. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Randy Hagenbuch, John Aylesworth, Brad Davis, and Kate Davis. No nay. Motion carried.

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

Anna Beckers – City Clerk

