

Mt. Pulaski City Council Meeting
Tuesday, April 10, 2018
6:30pm

Present: Mayor Pro tem Darrel Knauer, Alderman Bobell, Maxheimer, Neaville, Palmquist and West, W/S Supervisor Matt Presswood, S/A Supervisor Bill Fricke, Chief of Police Tony West, Treasurer Tricia Aylesworth

Absent: Mayor James Cole

Recognition of Guests:

The City Council meeting was called to order, Mayor pro tem Darrel Knauer presided. Mayor pro tem Darrel Knauer led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made by Alderman Bobell and seconded by Alderman Neaville to approve the items of business under the **consent agenda**; Claims and accounts and the minutes from the previous meetings. All voting yea- the motion carried.

Public Comments – Agenda Items Only:

Reports by Officers:

- **Police Chief Tony West:** Nothing to report
- **W/S Supervisor Matt Presswood:** Matt stated he has been in touch with another contractor about the sewer force main project. The project is on track for June 1, 2018. Hydrant flushing is set for April 11 & 12.
- **S/A Supervisor Bill Fricke:** Bill stated he has been asked about the alley behind Fred Stahl's house. The owner would like to see if gravel can be put in to use. Alderman West contacted Logan County Title Company and the City owns this so it can be opened back up and maintained. Roger Bohn stated it is not an alley it is an easement. Alderman Bobell stated this is City property according to Logan County Title. If this is not an alley but an easement then no work should be done. Alderman Bobell and West will look into this matter of business more.

Alderman Neaville stated The First Christian Church had previously asked to have side walk repairs done. Bill stated he is looking into getting this work done weather permitting. The question arose as to who would pay for this work being done, the city or the church. Alderman Bobell stated he would like to see numbers to help with the deciding factor and suggested the street and alley committee could come up with a plan.

- **City Treasurer, Tricia Aylesworth:** Deposits to date: \$21,115.83

Old Business: There will be a meeting held April 17, 2018 at the Family Life center to discuss the **Regional Water Co-op.**

Alderman Neaville stated a confirmation the city is not participating in the Logan County Joint Solid Waste program is needed. AREA Disposal is a better option and will be cheaper. The City is paid up until October or November with the LCJSW. A motion was made by Alderman Neaville and seconded by

Alderman West to **confirm non participation in the Logan County Joint Solid Waste program**. All voting yea – the motion carried.

Mitzi Rohls stated she would like the cities non participation with the LCJSW in writing.

Alderman Neaville has looked into **live streaming the city council meetings online**. The city would need to purchase a video camera for around \$300.00 and purchase a box to stream for around \$300.00. There will be a \$20/month fee. The city will not own the videos as it will be stream through YouTube live. Alderman Bobell stated he would talk with Hillary Cherry to get more information. Alderman Neaville stated he will move forward with this matter of business.

New Business: Alderman Bobell stated the council would like to table **accepting resignation, decide on actions to take on Mayor Cole and issue ordinance ticket**. A motion was made by Alderman Bobell and seconded by Alderman Neaville to table accepting resignation, decide on actions to take on Mayor Cole and issue ordinance ticket. All voting yea – the motion carried.

With the resignation of City Attorney Blinn Bates, a **new city attorney** is needing to be hired. A motion was made by Alderman Neaville and seconded by Alderman Bobell to hire Jordan Klein with Erickson, Davis, Murphy, Johnson & Walsh, LTD. All voting yea – the motion carried.

Crystal Kerns asked if anyone had any questions on the **budgets**. Alderman Neaville asked if the streets and alley's budget was on track. Crystal stated it is on track for this year but without knowing projected projects for next year she cannot say if it is on for next year.

Alderman Bobell presented the council with a proposed **ordinance name change** of the organization for ordinance #6272017. A motion was made by Alderman Bobell and seconded by Alderman Palmquist to accept the proposed ordinance change. All voting yea – the motion carried.

Alderman Bobell stated he was approached by Pam Erlenbush for a **donation** from the City to the **Boy Scouts** to do some clean up and make some changes by the Lincoln mural on the corner of Washington St. and Jefferson St. The Boy Scouts are wanting to put back what is there but make it low maintenance. The council is in agreement to for the Boy Scouts to save receipts and be reimbursed up to \$250.00.

Other Business: **Judy Cavastani** stated her and her husband Bill have taken care of the band stand for years. Receipts are taken to city hall and they are reimbursed. They just wanted the council to know they are the ones that maintain the band stand so there is no issues getting reimbursed.

Public Comments – Non Agenda Items:

Executive Session: A motion was made by Alderman Neaville and seconded by Alderman Bobell to exit regular session and enter into executive session to discuss litigation for 15 mins. All voting yea – the motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Bobell and seconded by Alderman Maxheimer to exit executive session and enter into regular session. All voting yea – the motion carried.

The council has tabled accepting resignation, decide on actions to take on mayor and issue ordinance ticket.

With no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Alderman Neaville and seconded by Alderman West to adjourn the meeting. All voting yea—the motion carried.

Kelly Cowan- City Clerk