Mt. Pulaski City Council Meeting Tuesday, June 26, 2018 6:30pm

Present: Mayor Bobell, Alderman Barger, Knauer, Maxheimer, Neaville and Palmquist, City Treasurer Tricia Aylesworth, W/S Superintendent Matt Presswood, S/A Superintendent Bill Fricke, Police Chief Tony West

Recognition of Guests: Jake Collier

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

Public Comments - Agenda Items Only:

Police: Tony west stated he had nothing to Report. Alderman Palmquist stated the police committee discussed the budget and some savings were made with Comcast. This information was given to the City treasurer, Tricia Aylesworth.

Water/ Sewer: Matt Presswood stated nothing new to report on the sewer force main project. Some hydrant maintenance has been done and Matt is working to get some valve exercise in motion. The committee talked about starting to research a main replacement project in the future.

Streets/Alleys: Bill Fricke stated the corner of German Ave and Park Ave is being fixed due to damage from garbage trucks. Rip rock has been put in. Bill is waiting for more rain to settle it down and then asphalt will be done. Bill asked for the council members to take a look at this as there are several more in town that need to be fixed. Alderman Neaville asked what the cost of the rip rock was. Bill stated he did not have that figure with him.

Bill stated he is working on getting something in line for culvert work on Spring St. by Rentmeister apartments. Alderman Neaville and Barger will meet with Bill to discuss this project in detail.

Bill stated the rock has been placed in the entry way for the alley for Sean McCormick's rental property.

Financing: Deposits to date are \$19,151.80

City treasurer, Tricia Aylesworth e-mailed the council three (3) options to make the **budget** balance. Alderman Maxheimer stated the finance committee met to discuss the different options. The biggest expense is personnel. Mayor Bobell stated it is unfortunate the budget has to deal with personnel but it's the cities responsibility to make it balance. It is unfortunate the only answer is to cut salaries and a decision needs to be made from the three (3) options given.

A motion was made by Alderman Maxheimer and seconded by Alderman Barger to adopt a proposed budget that will be posted at City Hall for 30 days. Mayor Bobell called for roll call. All voting yea – the motion carried.

Public Comments – Non Agenda Items: Jake Collier stated Bates Rd is in really bad shape and questioned whose responsibility is it to get it fixed. Mayor Bobell stated if it is within City limits it is the Cities responsibility. Bill Fricke stated he will go look at it and get it taken care of. Alderman Neaville

stated if it gets into more than just patch work Bill will need to reevaluate with the street and alley committee.

Approval of Consent Agenda:

Approval of Bills: City Clerk, Kelly Cowan read the bills as presented. A motion was made by Alderman Neaville and seconded by Alderman Maxheimer to approve the bills in the consent agenda. All voting yea – the motion carried.

Alderman Palmquist asked if the City would **open a proposal** for the water and asked if there was any discussion on this. No discuss was made.

Miscellaneous:

Executive Session: A motion was made by Alderman Neaville and seconded by Alderman Barger to exit regular session and enter into executive session to discuss personnel for 10 mins. All voting yea – the motion carried.

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

Mayor Bobell stated the council is moving forward with option two (2) and moving one supervisor to public works director and the other supervisor will be moved to laborer pay.

Mayor Bobell stated the meeting was adjourned.

Kelly Cowan- City Clerk