

Mt. Pulaski City Council Meeting  
The American Legion  
Tuesday, October 11, 2022  
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: Brad Davis, Kate Davis, Randy Hagenbuch, and Joe Butler. Absent were Tim Emrick and Dan Smock. Also present were Matt Presswood and Dee Howard.

Mayor Bobell then led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Recognition of Guests:** Wyatt Waterkotte, Michelle Hagenbuch, and Brad Aylesworth

**Approval of Consent Agenda:** Motion by Joe Butler, second by Randy Hagenbuch, to approve Consent Agenda Items Claims, Accounts, and Minutes. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Kate Davis, Tim Emrick, Randy Hagenbuch, Joe Butler, and Brad Davis. No nay. Motion carried

**Public Comments:** None

**Reports by Officers:**

- **Police Chief Tony West:** Officer West was approached to support a book that is given to all preschool students. It's called "The Little People's Guide to The Big World". This book has been given to preschool students for the past several years.
- **Director of Public Works Matt Presswood:** Matt sent information out to the council to purchase a snowblower at a cost of \$4,050. The cost of a snowblade with installation is \$10,400. The schedule for leaf collection will be out this week. He is still working on drain issues. They will be renting a lift next Monday for a month. Matt has been trying to get Illinois Water to give him a timeline as to when they will get all the manhole covers up to street level. Mayor said if they have not finished by November 1<sup>st</sup> then the city can do it at the expense of Illinois Water.

Motion by Brad Davis, second by Joe Butler, to purchase equipment for \$14, 450.00 snow removal. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Kate Davis, Tim Emrick, Randy Hagenbuch, Joe Butler, and Brad Davis. No nay. Motion carried.

- **City Treasurer:** Dee Howard gave the treasurers report. She has been working on appropriations. Dee would like to move sewer and water accounts to general.

**Old Business:** Representatives from the Top Hat Wind Farm were present to check in and see if the council had a chance to look the agreement over. Matt said it should be approved at the next meeting. Jordan Klein does not see any concerns with the agreement. He stated there are no

restrictions on how the money the city receives is to be spent. There will be a community meeting at Mt. Pulaski Grade School on October 25<sup>th</sup>, the same night as the next City Council meeting.

**New Business:** GFL will be sending flyers out to the community the middle of next week. The goal start date is November 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Other Business:** Subway has closed its doors for good. Gary Haynes has someone who may be interested in purchasing the building. He would like to open a Cancun restaurant. The city will have to change the code to add another liquor license. There is a stipulation that either the owner or the manager must live within the county. If he wants gaming machines the city will have to have a Class A license. The council would like for the buyer to attend the next meeting.

Joe Butler reported eight streetlights have been fixed. If any lights need to be fixed email Paula with the tag # on the pole and the street. Mayor Bobell would like a list of street signs that need to be replaced.

Dee gave a report on EDPB. Marty Spear bought some property that needed to have a house tore down and cleaned up. He is seeking reimbursement. Debra May would like to get Mt. Pulaski on the Historic District. They would like her to present this at the next meeting. There are some tax incentives to it.

**Public Comments – Non-Agenda:** Damon White inquired about doing some landscaping work at Frazier Park. Matt said they will be looking at replacing benches and rock work but feels the city can do most the work themselves. They will keep him in mind this spring.

Motion by Kate Davis, second Brad Davis, to adjourn. Voice vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

**Executive Session:**

Anna Beckers – City Clerk