

Mt. Pulaski City Council Meeting
The City Hall
Tuesday, October 26, 2021
6:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order and roll call was taken.

Present: Kate Davis, Tim Emrick, Randy Hagenbuch, Darin Phillips, Dan Smock, and Brad Davis. Also present were Officer West and Matt Presswood.

Absent:

Mayor Bobell led the meeting in The Pledge of Allegiance.

Recognition of Guests: Donnie Neale, Wyatt Waterkotte, and Kris Hagenbuch

Approval of Consent Agenda: Motion by Dan Smock, second by Darin Phillips, to approve the Consent Agenda Items, Claims and Accounts. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Kate Davis, Tim Emrick, Randy Hagenbuch, Darin Phillips, Dan Smock, and Brad Davis. No nay. Motion carried.

Public Comments:

Reports by Officers:

- **Police Chief Tony West:** Officer West was not able to attend the meeting due to being sick.
- **Director of Public Works Matt Presswood:**
- **Water/Sewer:** Been working on winterization.
- **Streets/Alley:** Leaf collecting will begin soon. Matt said they are working on widening Scott Court. He said two vehicles can not fit on the road at the same time. Mayor Bobell asked about problem areas in town with low hanging branches. Matt stated they are planning to trim the branches around the library this fall as well as other areas that are low hanging. Dan Smock asked if they have any plans fortifying the truck route from Marion where it curves off Washington to German and all the way out to the highway. Matt said the cold patch does not hold up with all the heavy truck traffic. Matt will look in to making it a permanent fix.
- **City Treasurer:** Mayor Bobell read the treasure's report.

Old Business: Nothing on Business District Appropriation. Mayor Bobell has not heard from Franklin Wade, with AG Edwards, regarding the financial investment policy. He feels time is running out and the council needs to move forward with the money coming in soon. Matt will talk to Jordan.

New Business: Tony Moore, from Republic Services, was present to discuss recycling for the community. Their company requires full community service. They only do curbside services due to the risk of low wires in the alleys. Trash pick-up would be once a week with recycling every other week. Bins are provided free of charge. Mayor Bobell stated after having representatives from three different companies giving presentations, he would personally like to see a movement toward an RFP. Every company has its pros and cons. There would have to be an ordinance change. Just by changing the ordinance does not mean they would have to make any change at all. Mayor Bobell will have Jordan begin working on something.

Jim Birge was not able to attend the meeting tonight for an update on the EDPB. Mayor Bobell passed on the concerns on the advertising grant for The Market on the Hill. Matt does not feel its business district money. He thinks the EDPB is going to move forward with a 501C3 but not to just get away from the city but for more grant options. The money that is there now does not go anywhere. Matt will be attending the next EDPB meeting.

Other Business: The title searches have come back on the dangerous building, the city can move forward now.

Public Comments: None

Executive Session: Motion by Dan Smock, second by Randy Hagenbuch, to enter Executive Session for discussion of Personnel. Voice vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dan Smock, second by Brad Davis, to exit Executive Session. Voice vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dan Smock, second by Randy Hagenbuch, to approve wages as discussed. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Kate Davis, Tim Emrick, Randy Hagenbuch, Darin Phillips, Dan Smock, and Brad Davis. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Dan Smock, second by Darin Phillips, to adjourn. Voice Vote. All ayes. Motion carried

Anna Beckers – City Clerk