

Mt. Pulaski City  
Council Meeting  
Tuesday, October 22, 2019  
6:30pm

**Present:** Mayor Matthew Bobell, Alderman Emrick, Neaville, Phillips and Rentmeister, Police Chief Tony West, Director of Public Works Matt Presswood

**Absent:** Alderman Maxheimer & Smock, City Treasurer Tricia Aylesworth

**Recognition of Guests:** Doug Johnson, Tom Martin

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

**Public Comments – Agenda Items Only:**

**Police:** Nothing to report

**Water/ Sewer:** Matt Presswood stated there was a water main break caused by Ameren Cilco inadvertently boring into a water main by Inland Tool. There was a utility locate done. Boil order was in place until Friday.

Matt stated the new water service at the Mt. Pulaski High School is complete.

**Streets/Alleys:** Matt Presswood stated the 18 year old **leave vac machine** is in need of repair. The estimated cost to repair is \$15,000.00-\$20,000. The cost to replace the machine is around \$60,000.00 - \$70,000.00. The parts are about a month out and the city would not get the truck back any earlier than December. Matt does not feel putting money into this machine is the best option and recommends it be replaced. Matt stated there is another machine that sits on the back of a truck. The price quote for a truck and new system is about \$120,000.00. Matt will inquire about a trade in value toward a new machine. Mayor Bobell stated a memo was emailed out about the current leave program and feels moving forward with the program is best option as of right now.

Matt stated the patch machine from Mark Carlin is a great machine that can get a lot of work done in a little amount of time. The rental pricing is reasonable but will not be rented this year.

**Financing: Deposits to date:** \$27,096.76

**Public Comments – Non Agenda Items:**

**Approval of Consent Agenda:** City Clerk, Kelly Cowan read the **bills** as presented.

Kale West with **The Stone River Group** presented and discussed an electrical and natural gas savings quote.

A motion was made Alderman Neaville and seconded by Alderman Phillips to approve the consent agenda for approval of bills and enter into a 12 month utility contract with The Stone River Group. All voting yea – the motion carried.

**Miscellaneous: Doug Johnson formally requested a monetary commitment** from the City to utilize funds from the business district and TIF tax funds in order to help purchase the property to relocate his hardware store. Doug presented the council with a proposal as to what the funds would be used for totaling \$115,000.00. Mayor Bobell along with the council gave a verbal agreement for \$65,000.00. Tom Martin stated the EAB has been discussing the amount of \$50,000.00.

**Johnathan Wright** was appointed to a judgeship on the Illinois Applet Court. Jonathan is getting out in communities and came to introduce himself to the council.

**Executive Session:**

Mayor Bobell stated the meeting was adjourned.

Kelly Cowan- City Clerk