

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PINCKNEYVILLE CITY COUNCIL**

**HELD MONDAY, MARCH 23, 2020 AT 6:00 P.M.**

**IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL**

**ROLL CALL**

Mayor Robert L. Spencer called the regular meeting of the Pinckneyville City Council to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, City Hall. Members present: Commissioners Ricky J. Cicardi, Kevin B. Hicks, Sammy D. Peradotta, William B. Stotlar, and Mayor Robert L. Spencer. Mayor Spencer declared a quorum present. Mayor Spencer announced the agenda was set. Administrative staff present: City Clerk Melissa S. Kellerman, City Attorney Don Bigham, Police Chief Kenny Kelley, and Fire Chief Jim Gielow. Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the public was invited to attend by social distancing in the lobby area and the Council Chambers of City Hall or by calling in on a conference line. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Cicardi.

**PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Motion was made by Commissioner Cicardi to approve the minutes of the March 9, 2020, regular council meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Stotlar. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Commissioner Stotlar reviewed the treasurer's report and stated that Total Gross Payroll January - March 2020 was \$408,808.91, up from last year. Total Hours Paid were down from last year at 17,259.50 hours while Overtime Hours were up from last year at 535 hours. Commissioner Stotlar made a motion to approve the treasurer's report. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hicks. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

Commissioner Stotlar presented an additional bill to be added to Accounts Payable. This bill is in the amount of \$138.93 from NewWave Communications for monthly service. Commissioner Stotlar made a motion to approve the accounts payable with the additional bill being added. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peradotta. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

None

**RESOLUTION NO. R-2020-10 AUTHORIZING MOWING CONTRACTS TO SUCCESSFUL BIDDERS**

Commissioner Cicardi presented Resolution No. R-2020-10, a resolution placed on file at the March 9, 2020, regular council meeting, authorizing mowing contracts between the City of Pinckneyville, Perry County, Illinois, and the Successful Bidders for the mowing and trimming of certain City Owned Property. These are two-year mowing contracts. Commissioner Cicardi made a motion to approve Resolution No. R-2020-10. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hicks. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

**REQUEST EMERGENCY APPROVAL TO PURCHASE ABS PIRAHNA SUBMERSIBLE GRINDER PUMP**

Commissioner Cicardi presented an emergency approval to purchase an ABS Pirahna Submersible Grinder Pump from C&C Pumps & Supply in the amount of \$3,590.00. Commissioner Cicardi stated that the East Sewer Plant lost a pump. Commissioner Cicardi made a motion to approve the purchase. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peradotta. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

**REQUEST TO PURCHASE POOL CHEMICALS**

Commissioner Cicardi presented approval to purchase pool chemicals from Spear Corporation in the amount of \$6,694.50. Commissioner Cicardi stated this is for chlorine and safe acid. Spear Corporation has supplied this in the past, and if we order this by April 10<sup>th</sup>, the City will receive free delivery. Commissioner Cicardi noted that if the pool can't be opened due to COVID-19, the chemicals can be kept for the next pool season. Commissioner Cicardi made a motion to approve the purchase. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hicks. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. R-2020-11 TO ENTER INTO A SWIMMING POOL MANAGEMENT SERVICE AGREEMENT**

Commissioner Cicardi introduced Resolution No. R-2020-11, a resolution to be placed on file, authorizing the City of Pinckneyville, Perry County, Illinois, to enter into a Swimming Pool Management Service Agreement for Management of the City Pool with Cheryl Clark. Commissioner Cicardi made a motion to place on file Resolution No. R-2020-11. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peradotta. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

**REQUEST TO COLLECT ON CITY STREETS FROM PERRY COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

Commissioner Hicks presented a request from the Perry County Historical Society to collect funds at the 4-Way Stop and McDonald's Stop Sign on Saturday, April 18, 2020 from 8:00 a.m. to Noon to benefit the Vintage in the Ville. Commissioner Hick made a motion to approve the collection request. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cicardi. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

**ORDINANCE NO. O-2020-04 AUTHORIZING REFINANCE OF LOAN WITH MURPHY-WALL STATE BANK & TRUST COMPANY**

Commissioner Stotlar introduced Ordinance O-2020-04, an ordinance to be placed on file, authorizing the refinance of the construction loan for the water meter project with Murphy-Wall State Bank & Trust Company into a permanent loan. Commissioner Stotlar made a motion to approve Ordinance No. O-2020-04. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hicks. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

**ORDINANCE NO. O-2020-05 AUTHORIZING REFINANCE OF LOAN WITH FIRST NATIONAL BANK IN PINCKNEYVILLE**

Commissioner Stotlar introduced Ordinance O-2020-05, an ordinance to be placed on file, authorizing the refinance of the construction loan for the water meter project with First National Bank in Pinckneyville into a permanent loan. Commissioner Stotlar made a motion to approve Ordinance No. O-2020-05. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peradotta. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

**ORDINANCE NO. O-2020-03 AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN CITY OF PINCKNEYVILLE AND PINCKNEYVILLE COMMUNITY HOSPITAL DISTRICT  
FOR SALE AND PURCHASE OF REAL ESTATE FOR FUNDING OF TIF PROJECT**

Mayor Spencer introduced Ordinance O-2020-03, an ordinance to be placed on file, authorizing and approving an Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Pinckneyville and Pinckneyville Community Hospital District for the sale and purchase of real estate for funding a TIF Project. Attorney Bigham explained that the Hospital had requested a couple of minor changes to the agreement which include: 1. The original agreement stated the hospital would reserve storage for hospital business and medical records, but the Hospital Administrator stated they do also have some miscellaneous equipment items in storage as well, so those were added; 2. The plans for the driveway entrance into the Rehabilitation Center also includes some additional parking around the Rehab Center, so it was revised to state a driveway entrance, a

driveway, and some additional parking; 3. Mr. Dauby also requested that the Board would like to see examples of the public groups that the City has talked to about using the building, so language was added to include the Extension Service, 4-H Clubs, Library Activities, and Senior Citizen Groups. Under the terms of the agreement, the financial commitment of the City for the TIF project funds is still the same, a maximum of \$100,000 to be reimbursed to the hospital upon satisfactory completion of the project, and the hospital is conveying the building and real estate to the City for the specified price of \$10.00. The City would assume the cost of title work on the real estate. When the agreement is put on file the title work will be ordered. The closing is to be within 30-60 days after title work is received. Commissioner Cicardi made a motion to approve Ordinance No. O-2020-03. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Stotlar. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

**DURING COVID-19 EMERGENCY SITUATION, TO GIVE MAYOR THE POWER TO SUSPEND DISCONNECTIONS  
AND FORGIVE LATE PAYMENT FEES AND TO ACTIVATE A DELAYED PAYMENT OPTION  
FOR 60 DAYS FOR THE REVOLVING LOAN PROGRAM**

Commissioner Peradotta made a motion to give the Mayor the power to suspend disconnections and forgive late payment fees for utility customers and to activate a delayed payment option for 60 days for the Revolving Loan Program during the COVID-19 emergency situation. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Stotlar. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

**ORDINANCE NO. O-2020-06 AMENDING CODE OF ORDINANCES TO ESTABLISH EMERGENCY POWER OF MAYOR**

Mayor Spencer introduced Ordinance O-2020-06, an ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances to establish emergency power of the Mayor during emergency and crisis situations. Commissioner Cicardi made a motion to approve Ordinance No. O-2020-06. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hicks. Attorney Bigham commented that when the City Code was reviewed, a Disaster Preparedness Plan was adopted in 1990, but it didn't anticipate or cover a pandemic emergency, so rather than trying to amend the Disaster Plan, Attorney Bigham reviewed and researched what other municipalities were doing. This Ordinance would give the Mayor authority under certain conditions to declare a disaster. The powers would not kick in unless those conditions were met and the Mayor signs a declaration. For example, if the City was precluded from holding a council meeting, the Mayor could continue to pay bills and provide for routine operation of the City. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Fire Chief Jim Gielow announced the Fireman's Good Friday Fish Fry has been cancelled due to COVID-19.

Mayor Spencer stated that the Hospital Wellness Center Open House scheduled for March 29<sup>th</sup> has also been cancelled.

Mayor Spencer asked all Commissioners if they had turned their budgets in. City Clerk stated they have been turned in and are being entered. The 2020-2021 Budget will be presented at the next regular council meeting.

Mayor Spencer stated that Brian Bender, former owner of Courtside restaurant, had requested to remove some items from inside the building. Commissioner Peradotta stated he thought what was left inside was the City's and could be sold by the City. He stated he had time to get stuff out of there. Attorney Bigham stated when it was taken back, it was taken with the contents, so if the City doesn't have use for it, it could be sold or he could make a bid on it. It was agreed Mr. Bender should make an offer for the items he is wanting.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Commissioner Hicks, seconded by Commissioner Cicardi to adjourn the meeting at 6:26 p.m. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.