

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PINCKNEYVILLE CITY COUNCIL

HELD MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2021 AT 6:00 P.M.

IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL

ROLL CALL

Mayor 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 Kellerman, City Attorney Don Bigham, 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 Hicks, seconded by Commissioner Peradotta, to approve the minutes of the August 23, 2021, regular council meeting. 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 was \$1,286,589.87 for the payroll period ending August 2021, up from last year. He stated that the regular hours of 55,237.84 were down from last year, while overtime hours of 1,271 were up from last year. Commissioner Stotlar made a motion to approve the treasurer's report. 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.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

City Clerk Melissa Kellerman added a mileage reimbursement for Mayor Spencer in the amount of \$92.40 for the months of August/September 2021 to the accounts payable. Commissioner Stotlar made a motion to approve the accounts payable with the additional reimbursement. 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.

CORRESPONDENCE

Commissioner Cicardi announced a cross-connection survey was mailed out with the monthly utility bills and that all water customers are required to complete and return the survey.

Mayor Spencer congratulated the American Thresherman Association for a successful August show. He stated there were more than 15,000 in attendance, many of which were first-time visitors, over 1,100 pieces of equipment, over 600 exhibits, and 540 campers from 15 states.

Commissioner Peradotta apologized to the Weekly Press for his comment made at the previous Council meeting.

ORDINANCE NO. O-2021-15, TO ACQUIRE A UTILITY EASEMENT FROM JOHN P. MANN

Commissioner Cicardi introduced Ordinance No. O-2021-15, an ordinance placed on file at the August 23, 2021, regular council meeting, authorizing the City of Pinckneyville, Perry County, Illinois, to acquire a Utility Easement from John P. Mann. Commissioner Cicardi made a motion to approve Ordinance No. O-2021-15. Commissioner Hicks seconded the motion. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

**APPROVAL TO INSTALL LATCHING CONTROL FOR SILENCE ALARM AND
INSTALL HYDRO RANGER FROM GUARANTEE ELECTRIC CONSTRUCTION**

Commissioner Cicardi requested approval to install Latching Control for Silence Alarm and install Hydro Ranger from Guarantee Electric Construction at a cost of \$7,320.00. He explained this was due to a recent lightning strike and will likely be covered by insurance. Commissioner Cicardi made a motion to approve the request which was seconded by Commissioner Peradotta. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

APPROVAL TO PURCHASE WATER METER STOCK PARTS FROM UTILITY PIPE SALES

Commissioner Cicardi requested approve to purchase water meter stock parts from Utility Pipe Sales at a cost of \$3,265.68. He stated this is to replenish stock parts for the water meter readers. Commissioner Cicardi made a motion to approve the purchase. Commissioner Stotlar seconded the motion. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

APPROVAL TO PURCHASE STARTER FOR BLOWER REPAIR FROM SPRINGFIELD ELECTRIC

Commissioner Cicardi requested approval to purchase a starter blower for blower repair from Springfield Electric at a cost of \$3,612.15. He stated the current blower will not start without assistance. Commissioner Cicardi made a motion to approve the purchase which was seconded by Commissioner Hicks. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

**APPROVAL TO PURCHASE RAPID INTERVENTION PACK FROM MUNICIPAL EMERGENCY SERVICES
WITH FUNDS FROM THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL'S SMALL EQUIPMENT GRANT**

Commissioner Hicks announced that the Pinckneyville Fire Dept. was recently awarded a small equipment grant from the State Fire Marshal's Office in the amount of \$26,000.00. This grant will be used to purchase a rapid intervention pack (RIT-Pak), 7 sets of turnout gear and 2 portable radios. Although the fire department is still waiting for the State to send the payment, some of the items have been ordered and will need to be paid for as they are received, including the RIT-Pak that is on the agenda for tonight. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to purchase the rapid intervention pack from Municipal Emergency Services at a cost of \$4,834.00. Commissioner Peradotta seconded the motion. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

**REQUEST FROM PINCKNEYVILLE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TO DISCUSS MARDI GRAS ADVERTISING AND
STREET CLOSURES RELATED TO ALL MARDI GRAS EVENTS**

Commissioner Hicks asked the Pinckneyville Chamber of Commerce representatives to present their requests. Ashley Bathon stated the request for \$1,500.00 for advertising is for radio ads, small commercial ads, and flyers. She stated queen contestants will be selling raffle tickets. She noted that on the list of street closures, Mulberry Street from Walnut Street to Main Street was omitted, and they request that to be included in the list of street closures for approval. She stated there will again be a car show, Business Trick-or-Treat on Mulberry Street, and vendors on Mulberry Street. She asked Commissioner Peradotta for assistance on clean-up after the event. Commissioner Peradotta stated he did not have any workers to assist with clean-up. Commissioner Cicardi asked if he could ask workers in his department. Ms. Bathon requested the Council let her know if the City workers could not assist with clean-up so she can find help because she wants everything cleaned up after the event. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to approve all items listed on the Pinckneyville Chamber of Commerce's request including the \$1,500 for advertising. Commissioner Stotlar seconded the motion. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried. The members of the Pinckneyville Chamber of Commerce thanked the Council for their approval.

REVISIT PINCKNEYVILLE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS REQUEST TO COLLECT FOR 8 HOURS ON OCTOBER 30, 2021

Commissioner Hicks stated that because of the confusion from last year's request and since they were unable to collect last year due to COVID, the Council has agreed to grant the request from the Pinckneyville Knights of Columbus to collect for eight hours around the square on October 30, 2021. Michael Brand thanked the Council and stated he appreciated this and past approvals. He stated he understands they will not be able to collect once the bypass goes through. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to approve the Pinckneyville Knights of Columbus to collect for eight hours on October 30, 2021. 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.

APPROVAL OF ANNUAL FLU/PNEUMONIA VACCINES FOR ALL CITY EMPLOYEES

Commissioner Stotlar made a motion to approve annual flu/pneumonia vaccines for all City employees. The City's vaccine clinic is to be held October 4, 2021, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. 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.

APPOINT LONDA CAMPBELL TO LIBRARY BOARD

Mayor Spencer requested approval to appoint Londa Campbell to the Library Board to replace the vacancy left by Ann Rigdon. Commissioner Hicks made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Stotlar, to approve the appointment. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

REAPPOINT MICHAEL KOVIC TO PINCKNEYVILLE ZONING BOARD

Mayor Spencer requested approval to reappoint Michael Kovic to the Pinckneyville Zoning Board for a three year term. Commissioner Peradotta made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Stotlar, to approve the reappointment. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

EXPLORE POSSIBILITY OF NEW WEBSITE

Mayor Spencer requested the Council explore the possibility of a new website to upgrade ADA accessibility, showcase agendas and minutes, interactive calendar for meetings and local events, notification of boil orders, water breaks, etc. He stated he had been looking for the best fit for the City's updated website for over four years. City Clerk Melissa Kellerman stated the updated website would be more user-friendly and would be better-displayed on mobile devices. Commissioner Stotlar made a motion to allow Mayor Spencer, City Clerk Melissa Kellerman, and City Attorney Don Bigham to review the website contract, and if the website meets the City's needs, to enter into a contract with the website company, Revize, at an initial cost of \$9,631.00 for the first year of web design and an annual renewal cost of \$1,975.00 which includes tech support, software updates, and website health checks. Commissioner Peradotta seconded the motion. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Commissioner Peradotta, seconded by Commissioner Cicardi to move the meeting to Executive Session at 6:30 p.m. for the discussion of: Section 2 (c) (1) Appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of an employee, Section 2 (c) (2) Collective negotiating matters or deliberations concerning salary schedules, and Section 2 (c) (6) Setting a price for the sale or lease of property owned by the public body. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING

Motion by Commissioner Peradotta, seconded by Commissioner Stotlar to return to the regular meeting at 7:29 p.m. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Commissioner Hicks, seconded by Commissioner Stotlar to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.