

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

**HELD MONDAY, AUGUST 22, 2022, 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. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Hicks.

**PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Commissioner Hicks made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 8, 2022, regular council meeting, and the August 11, 2022, special meeting. 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.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Commissioner Stotlar reviewed the treasurer's report and stated that the ending balance total for the period ending July 2022 was \$8,100,562.14 up from last year, and unrestricted balance total was \$2,214,605.60 also up from last year. Commissioner Stotlar made a motion to approve the treasurer's report. 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.

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

Commissioner Stotlar add the following invoices to the accounts payable: Companion Life \$256.90, Terminix \$66.00, Sparklight \$82.95 for a total of \$405.85. Commissioner Stotlar made a motion to approve the accounts payable with the additional invoices. 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**

Commissioner Cicardi reported the American Thresherman Association Show last week was a big success and had favorable weather.

Mayor Spencer congratulated the American Thresherman Association on their successful show and said Pinckneyville is the "Home of the Theshermans."

Mayor Spencer stated he received a report from the IEPA Loan Program and the City of Pinckneyville is now #4 on the priority list to receive a \$17,700,000.00 grant for the new sewer plant. He noted all paperwork needs to be completed by the end of December 2022. Jesse Maynard of HMG Engineers noted there is a \$5,000,000.00 forgiveness with the grant, and stated all easements, archeological information for the plant site, asbestos removal, and demolition of buildings needs to be completed by the end of the years so bids can be let out by March 2023. Mayor Spencer stated most of this is already in process.

**RESOLUTION NO. R-2022-36 TO REQUEST A PERMIT FROM THE ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT  
OF TRANSPORTATION FOR UTILITY IMPROVEMENTS - PERMIT NO. 9U-3911-21**

Commissioner Cicardi presented Resolution No. R-2022-36, a resolution authorizing the City of Pinckneyville, Perry County, Illinois, to request a permit from the Illinois Department of Transportation for utility improvements - Permit No. 9U-3911-21.

Commissioner Cicardi stated this is for moving the water main under Illinois Highway 127. City Attorney Don Bigham noted a \$5,000.00 Surety Bond was required. Mayor Spencer stated this has been obtained by the City Clerk. Commissioner Cicardi made a motion to approve Resolution No. R-2022-36. 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 FROM PINCKNEYVILLE EAGLES TO CLOSE WEST MULBERRY STREET BETWEEN EAGLES AND MOOSE CLUBS FOR ANNUAL BARBECUE CONTEST ON OCTOBER 22, 2022**

Pinckneyville Eagles requested to close West Mulberry Street between the Eagles and Moose Clubs for their Annual Barbecue Contest on October 22, 2022. Commissioner Hicks made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Peradotta, to approve the request. 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**

Dana Carney, of Pinckneyville Chamber of Commerce, stated the only change in their request from previous years is to close the streets of the Mardi Gras Parade route earlier this year. She said in the past, the streets were closed at 6:45 p.m. with the parade starting at 7:00 p.m., which does not leave a lot of time, so they have requested, for safety purposes, to close the streets on the parade route at 6:00 p.m. Commissioner Peradotta said they would do their best. Commissioner Hicks highlighted their requests as: Request \$1,500.00 from the Hotel/Motel Fund for advertising; street closures for the Business Trick-or-Treat, Flea Market, use of half of City lot, and Night Parade; traffic control and clean-up. Commissioner Cicardi noted he has initiated increasing the power on the City's lot that is used for the Concession area during Mardi Gras. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to approve their request, which was seconded by Commissioner Cicardi. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. R-2022-38 AUTHORIZING A HANDICAP PARKING SIGN WITHIN THE CITY OF PINCKNEYVILLE, PERRY COUNTY, ILLINOIS (11 E. JACKSON ST.)**

Commissioner Hicks presented Resolution No. R-2022-38, a resolution authorizing a handicap parking sign within the City of Pinckneyville, Perry County, Illinois (11 E. Jackson St.), which is the first parking spot in front of Lynn's Hairstyling and Shamrock Real Estate. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to approve Resolution No. R-2022-38. Commissioner Peradotta seconded the motion. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

**COLLINS & HERMANN INFRASTRUCTURE SOLUTIONS TO REMOVE AND REPLACE GUARDRAILS**

Commissioner Peradotta requested approval to hire Collins & Hermann Infrastructure Solutions to remove and replace guardrails at Gordon Street and East Randolph Street at a cost of \$5,750.00. He stated three spots are damaged, but the work should be able to be completed in one day. The road will be closed in these areas while the work is being completed. Commissioner Peradotta made a motion to approve the 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.

**RESOLUTION NO. R-2022-35 TO ENTER INTO A MASTER SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH DELTA COMMUNICATIONS, LLC, D/B/A CLEARWAVE COMMUNICATIONS**

Commissioner Stotlar presented Resolution No. R-2022-35, a resolution placed on file at the August 8, 2022, regular council meeting, authorizing the City of Pinckneyville, Perry County, Illinois, to enter into a Master Services Agreement with Delta

Communications, LLC, D/B/A Clearwave Communications. Commissioner Stotlar made a motion to approve Resolution No. R-2022-35. Commissioner Hicks seconded the motion. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

**APPROVAL OF INSURANCE SETTLEMENT OFFER FOR DAMAGES TO CITY VEHICLE**

Commissioner Stotlar requested approval to accept an insurance settlement offer of \$9,751.20 for damages to a city vehicle (2007 Silverado work truck) deemed a total loss from an accident on July 13, 2022. Commissioner Cicardi asked if the City could keep the truck. City Attorney Don Bigham stated that normally with a total loss, they pay the owner and take the vehicle to get it salvaged or they may sell it back for the salvage value. After discussion, Commissioner Stotlar made a motion to approve the request. 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-2022-37 TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE REPAIR WORK  
AT THE CITY LAKE DAM AND SPILLWAY BY HAGENE EXCAVATING LLC**

Mayor Spencer introduced Resolution No. R-2022-37, a resolution to be placed on file to approve and authorize repair work at the City Lake dam and spillway by Hagene Excavating LLC. Jesse Maynard of HMG Engineers stated the City of Pinckneyville publicly advertised twice for bids with no bids received. He stated since there were no bids, the City has chosen to accept a bid from Hagene Excavating LLC for time and materials and needs to move forward as soon as possible. Commissioner Peradotta made a motion to place on file Resolution No. R-2022-37. Commissioner Stotlar seconded the motion. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

**REQUEST FROM FARM BUREAU TO DISCUSS RENTING OFFICES IN COMMUNITY CENTER**

Korbin Collins of the Perry County Farm Bureau requested to discuss renting offices at the Community Center. She requested the City of Pinckneyville provide them with an amount for rent and utilities and specs of the building to present at their next meeting, which is the third Monday in September. Commissioner Hicks asked if there was any requirement on the type of businesses that could rent the building. Mayor Spencer stated the Perry County Farm Bureau is a community organization and will not cause the real estate taxes to raise by renting the building. Rhonda Shubert stated they provide Ag in the Classroom. Commissioner Peradotta asked how many units would be rented. Rhonda Shubert said there are 7 offices and 1 bathroom and they want to rent it all. She said the Community Center will be full after that. City Attorney Don Bigham asked if it would interfere with Rhonda's use, and she said it actually makes it better. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to approve the request, which was seconded by Commissioner Stotlar. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion by Commissioner Peradotta, seconded by Commissioner Cicardi to move the meeting to Executive Session at 6:28 p.m. for the discussion of: Section 2 (c) (1) Appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of an employee and Section 2 (c) (5) Purchase or lease of real property for the use of 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 Stotlar, seconded by Commissioner Peradotta to return to the regular meeting at 6:45 p.m. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

**APPROVAL TO HIRE TWO PART-TIME EMPLOYEES AS ASSISTANTS TO THE DIRECTOR OF THE AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER**

Mayor Spencer requested approval to hire two part-time employees (Margo Dudek and Chase Heinemeyer) as assistants to the Director of the After-School Program at the Community Center. Commissioner Peradotta made a motion to approve the request. 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.

**APPROVAL OF CONTRACT WITH NOAH HEPP FOR CLEANING SERVICES OF THE COMMUNITY CENTER**

Mayor Spencer requested approval of a contract with Noah Hepp for cleaning services at the Community Center. Commissioner Peradotta made a motion to approve the request. 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.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Commissioner Hicks, seconded by Commissioner Stotlar to adjourn the meeting at 6:49 p.m. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.