

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PINCKNEYVILLE CITY COUNCIL

HELD MONDAY, AUGUST 28, 2023, 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 Kevin B. Hicks, Joshua L. Kuhnert, 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 Kuhnert.

PREVIOUS MINUTES

Commissioner Hicks made a motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Peradotta, to approve the minutes of August 14, 2023, regular council meeting. On roll call: Commissioners Hicks, Kuhnert, 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 2023 was \$10,125,116.39 up from last year, and unrestricted balance total was \$3,200,596.26 also up from last year. Commissioner Stotlar made a motion to approve the treasurer's report. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kuhnert. On roll call: Commissioners Hicks, Kuhnert, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Commissioner Stotlar made a motion to approve the accounts payable with one additional invoice from Perry County Animal and Rabies Control in the amount of \$7,250.00 for 2022 facility use to be paid from the police fund. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kuhnert. On roll call: Commissioners Hicks, Kuhnert, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Mayor Spencer stated he had talked to Josh Giacomo of the American Threshermen Association and he was very exciting they had a good year and increase in attendance in all areas.

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

Betti Mucha, President, and Dana Carney, Executive Director, of Pinckneyville Chamber of Commerce, requested \$1,500.00 from the Hotel/Motel Fund to assist with advertising; street closures for the Children's Parade, Business Trick-or-Treat, Vendor Fair and use of City Hall parking lot, and Night Parade (closing streets at 6 p.m.); traffic control and clean-up. Ms. Mucha stated all events will be on the South side of the 4-way stop and also noted there will be no fireworks at the start of the parade this year. She also inquired if it would be possible to use the empty lot across from City Hall. Mayor Spencer indicated they just needed to request to use it. Ms. Mucha inquired if the light poles would be replaced by October and, if so, would like to use them again for the Halloween and Christmas light pole contest. Mayor Spencer stated some may still not be up by October, but they were welcome to use them. He stated the Veterans' banners would be taken down soon through the rest of the year, and would be reinstalled early next year. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to approve their requests, which was seconded by Commissioner Peradotta. On roll call: Commissioners Hicks, Kuhnert, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

**APPROVE QUOTE FROM SECURITY ALARM CORP. FOR THREE ADDITIONAL SECURITY CAMERAS
AT THE PINCKNEYVILLE/DU QUOIN AIRPORT**

Commissioner Hicks requested approval of a quote in the amount of \$4,875.00 from Security Alarm Corp. for three additional security cameras for security at the Pinckneyville/Du Quoin Airport to be paid from the airport fund. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to approve the request, which was seconded by Commissioner Kuhnert. On roll call: Commissioners Hicks, Kuhnert, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

TAPS & VINE SOCIAL HOUSE REQUESTS TO CLOSE PART OF JACKSON STREET OCTOBER 7, 2023 FOR GRAND RE-OPENING

Commissioner Hicks read a request from Lauren Moore of Taps & Vine Social House to close part of Jackson Street from North Main to North Walnut Street for a bounce house for their grand re-opening on October 7, 2023. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to approve the request, which was seconded by Commissioner Stotlar. On roll call: Commissioners Hicks, Kuhnert, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

HIRE AND POST A NOTICE OF BID FOR A MAINTENANCE-RELIEF WATER OPERATOR

Commissioner Kuhnert requested approval to hire and post a Notice of Bid for a Maintenance-Relief Water Operator. Motion made by Commissioner Kuhnert, seconded by Commissioner Stotlar to approve the request. On roll call: Commissioners Hicks, Kuhnert, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

APPROVE QUOTE FROM CSTK TO PURCHASE DUMPER DOGG STEEL DUMP INSERT FOR 2017 FORD F150

Commissioner Peradotta requested approval of a quote from CSTK in the amount of \$6,700.00 to purchase an 8 foot Dumper Dogg steel dump insert for a 2017 Ford F250 to be used to haul small loads of dirt, brush, or rock. Commissioner Peradotta made a motion to approve the purchase, which was seconded by Commissioner Stotlar. On roll call: Commissioners Hicks, Kuhnert, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

**APPROVE QUOTE FROM CDS OFFICE TECHNOLOGIES TO REPLACE WIRELESS ROUTE,
FIREWALLS, AND RENEW LICENSING SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR 5 YEARS FOR CITY HALL**

Commissioner Stotlar requested approval of a quote from CDS Office Technologies to replace the wireless router, firewalls, and renew licensing subscriptions for 5 years for City Hall at a total cost of \$6,629.96 to be paid from the general fund. Commissioner Stotlar made a motion to approve the purchase, which was seconded by Commissioner Peradotta. On roll call: Commissioners Hicks, Kuhnert, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Margaret Scholebo asked the Council to consider the safety of the Garden High Rise residents by painting pedestrian crossing stripes between Save-A-Lot and the Post Office and on the highway between First National Bank and West Randolph Street. She stated a Slow Pedestrian Crossing Sign would also be helpful to slow traffic in these areas for those with walkers and wheelchairs as they attempt to cross the streets. Mayor Spencer replied he and Commissioner Hicks had already been looking into this.

ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Commissioner Peradotta, seconded by Commissioner Kuhnert to move the meeting to Executive Session at 6:18 p.m. for the discussion of: Section 2 (c) (1) Appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of an employee. On roll call: Commissioners Hicks, Kuhnert, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING

Motion by Commissioner Hicks, seconded by Commissioner Kuhnert to return to the regular meeting at 6:33 p.m. On roll call: Commissioners Hicks, Kuhnert, Peradotta, Stotlar and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

HIRE AN OPERATOR – WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANTS

Commissioner Kuhnert made a motion to hire an Operator – Wastewater Treatment Plants. Commissioner Peradotta seconded the motion. On roll call: Commissioners Hicks, Kuhnert, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Commissioner Stotlar, seconded by Commissioner Kuhnert to adjourn the meeting at 6:35 p.m. On roll call: Commissioners Hicks, Kuhnert, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.