

**REGULAR MEETING at City Hall
Petersburg, Illinois
June 2, 2009**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor John Stiltz called the City Council to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. PRELIMINARY MATTERS

Members present were Mayor John Stiltz, Aldermen Ray Jordan, Kevin Molohon, Wes Boensel, Ken Ortman, Stacey Frick, Perry Wilson and Treasurer Dave Frick. City Clerk Sue Freeland was on vacation.

Mayor Stiltz led the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Mayor Stiltz entertained a motion to appoint a Clerk Pro Tem. A motion was made by Alderman Jordan and seconded by Alderman Frick to appoint Alderman Ortman Clerk Pro Tem. VOTES: Ortman, no; Frick, yes; Boensel, yes; Jordan, yes; Wilson, yes; and Molohon, yes. Mayor Stiltz declared the MOTION CARRIED and advised that Deputy Clerk Dot Morgan would assist with the minutes.

A motion was made by Alderman Ortman and seconded by Alderman Molohon to approve the agenda as amended. VOTES: Boensel, yes; Jordan, yes; Wilson, yes; Ortman, yes; Frick, yes; and Molohon, yes. Mayor Stiltz declared the MOTION CARRIED.

III. CITY CLERK

The warrant list was presented. A motion was made by Alderman Ortman and seconded by Alderman Boensel to approve payment of the bills as listed on the Accounts Payable and Warrant List. VOTES: Boensel, yes; Ortman, yes; Jordan, yes; Frick, yes; Wilson, yes; and Molohon, yes. Mayor Stiltz declared the MOTION CARRIED.

A motion was made by Alderman Jordan and seconded by Alderman Frick to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of May 19, 2009 as presented. VOTES: Ortman, yes; Jordan, yes; Frick, yes; Wilson, yes; Boensel, yes; and Molohon, yes. Mayor Stiltz declared the MOTION CARRIED.

IV. HEARING OF CITIZENS

None

V. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

A. Street

The Street Superintendent report was presented. Discussion was held on the mosquito problem. By consensus the Council decided to have the street department spray twice a week for a couple of weeks.

Word was received from Senator Bomke's office for funding for roads for \$300,000 to \$500,000. An amount of \$516,000 was submitted. Previously \$214,000 was submitted for the downtown area.

B. Police

The Police report was presented.

C. Water

The Water Superintendent's report was presented. Roger gave an update on the recent damage to the water plant.

Superintendent Davis stated that he had increased the chlorine feed to help with New Salem and Rural Water complaints.

D. Zoning

No report

E. Fire

The fire report was presented. They have had 60 responses so far this year.

VI. OFFICERS' REPORTS

A. Mayor's Report

The Aramark contract will be up in August and will be reviewed at that time.

Mayor Stiltz discussed the progress with the web site. The web site committee recommended to the council that the web site remain city government and non commercial. The committee also recommended to the council that the approved corrected minutes and agenda be posted on the site with the following disclaimer: All agendas are subject to being amended at a meeting. The final council approved budget is to be posted on the site and all zoning ordinances, amendments and applications are to be posted on the zoning page.

A motion was made by Alderman Ortman and seconded by Alderman Molohon to accept these recommendations from the web site committee. VOTES: Wilson, yes; Molohon, yes; Jordan, yes; Frick, yes; Ortman, yes; and Boensel, yes. Mayor Stiltz declared the MOTION CARRIED.

Discussion was held about the appointment of the city attorney. A motion was made by Alderman Boensel and seconded by Alderman Ortman to pass

ordinance #2009-05 to allow for a contract firm instead of an appointed officer and name John Swartz's firm, Giffin, Winning, Cohen & Bodewes as the contract Legal Firm for the city. VOTES: Frick, yes; Wilson, yes; Molohon, yes; Ortman, yes; Jordan, yes; and Boensel, yes. Mayor Stiltz declared the MOTION CARRIED.

Discussion was held about the Skateboard park warning signs at Hurie Park and the regular warning signs for the other parks in the city. A motion was made by Alderman Ortman and seconded by Alderman Boensel to have signs posted at the skateboard park and an ordinance sign later after checking with the city attorney, and to place the regular "use at own risk" signs at all other parks in the city. VOTES: Molohon, yes; Frick, yes; Jordan, yes; Boensel, yes; Wilson, yes; and Ortman, yes. Mayor Stiltz declared the MOTION CARRIED.

Discussion was held about the roof on city hall leaking. The problem was caused from the electricity put in for the holiday lighting. Caulking will be used to repair the holes.

B. Treasurer's Report

A motion was made by Alderman Ortman and seconded by Alderman Molohon to approve the Finance Committee Minutes of May 26, 2009. VOTES: Molohon, yes; Frick, abstain; Jordan, yes; Wilson, yes; Ortman, yes; and Boensel, abstain. Mayor Stiltz declared the MOTION CARRIED.

A motion was made by Alderman Ortman and seconded by Alderman Jordan to post the budget in the newspaper. VOTES: Ortman, yes; Jordan, yes; Frick, yes; Wilson, yes; Boensel, yes; and Molohon, yes. Mayor Stiltz declared the MOTION CARRIED.

Discussion was held about direct depositing from County Treasurer Horn. It was agreed by consensus of the council to do the direct depositing.

VII. STANDING COMMITTEES' REPORT

A. Finance: No report

B. Judiciary: No report

C. Streets: No report

D. Police: No report

E. Health: No report

F. Fire: No report

G. Buildings and Grounds: No report

H. Playgrounds and Parks: No report

I. Water and Sewer: No report

J. Personnel: No report

VIII. SPECIAL COMMITTEES' REPORT

- A. Tree City: No report
- B. Library: No report
- C. Plan Commission: No report
- D. Zoning Board of Appeals: No report
- E. Revolving Loan Committee: No report
- F. E.L. Masters Board: No report
- G. Community Development: No report

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

X. NEW BUSINESS

None

XI. HEARING OF CITIZENS

None

XII. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Alderman Frick and seconded by Alderman Ortman to adjourn. VOTES: Molohon, yes; Boensel, yes; Ortman, yes; Jordan, yes; Frick, yes; and Wilson, yes. Mayor Stiltz declared the MOTION CARRIED, and the meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ken Ortman, Clerk Pro Tem

Approved: June 16, 2009