

**City Council Minutes
March 2, 2010**

**REGULAR MEETING at City Hall
Petersburg, Illinois**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor John Stiltz called the City Council to order at 7:01 p.m.

II. PRELIMINARY MATTERS

Members present were Mayor John Stiltz, Aldermen Stacey Fricke, Ray Jordan, Keith Wilson, Kevin Molohon, Perry Wilson, Ken Ortman, Treasurer Dave Frick and City Clerk Sue Freeland.

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

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

III. CITY CLERK

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

A motion was made by Alderman Ortman and seconded by Alderman Frick to approve the minutes from the regular meeting of February 16, 2010 and the Special meeting of February 24, 2010 as presented. Votes: Ortman, yes; Jordan, yes; K.Wilson, abstain; Frick, yes; P.Wilson, yes; Molohon, yes. Mayor Stiltz declared the MOTION CARRIED.

A motion was made by Alderman Jordan and seconded by Alderman Molohon to adopt the "Credit Card Policy" as presented. VOTES: K.Wilson, yes; Frick, yes; P.Wilson, yes; Molohon, yes; Ortman, yes; Jordan, yes. Mayor Stiltz declared the MOTION CARRIED.

IV. HEARING OF CITIZENS

Don Schroeder addressed the Council. He explained the Homeland Security guidelines the department needs to follow.

Jared Williams addressed the Council. He spoke in support of Chief Heubner, and the need for the department to acquire any equipment they could to protect the City and be prepared for any major accident or disaster.

David White presented a petition supporting Chief Heubner.

Dan Martin, Sr. addressed the Council. He informed the Council that the department was making major policy changes that have not been brought to the Council's attention for discussion or approval.

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V. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

A. Fire

A motion was made by Alderman K.Wilson and seconded by Alderman P.Wilson to reconsider a previous motion from February 2, 2010 authorizing the Fire Department to purchase extrication equipment. VOTES: Molohon, no; Ortman, no; Jordan, no; K.Wilson, yes; Frick, no; P.Wilson, yes. Mayor Stiltz declared the MOTION FAILED. The previous motion stands.

Fire Captain Don Schroeder presented the Fire Department report.

B. Police

Police Chief Dan Martin presented the Police Department report.

C. Water

The Council reviewed the Water Department report.

D. Zoning

Zoning Administrator Jim Schoenherr presented the Zoning Department report.

E. Street

Street Superintendent Jim Nimmo presented the Street Department report. Superintendent Nimmo informed the Council that the insurance company offered \$13,325.00 for the 1-ton truck. The City can then buy back the truck for \$1,200.00; the truck can be repaired for approximately \$1,000.00 and can be tested and insured. No action taken.

The Street Committee will meet to discuss the matter of when the north end of 14th Street will be finished to accommodate new housing.

VI. OFFICERS' REPORTS

A. Mayor's Report

A motion was made by Alderman Ortman and seconded by Alderman P.Wilson to authorize Mayor Stiltz to execute the agreement with the U.S. Census Bureau to allow census takers use of the Council chambers for March 19, 2010 to April 19, 2010, 3 days a week, 5 hours a day. VOTES: Jordan, yes; K.Wilson, yes; Frick, yes; P.Wilson, yes; Molohon, yes; Ortman, yes. Mayor Stiltz declared the MOTION CARRIED.

B. Treasurer's Report

None

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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: A motion was made by Alderman Ortman and seconded by Alderman Jordan to accept the Fire Committee minutes from February 22, 2010 as presented. VOTES: Frick, yes; P.Wilson, yes; Molohon, yes; Ortman, yes; Jordan, yes; K.Wilson, yes. Mayor Stiltz declared the MOTION CARRIED.
- 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

A motion was made by Alderman Ortman and seconded by Alderman Molohon to accept the Fire Department's request and appoint Damian Zimmerman as a

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fireman. VOTES: Ortman, yes; Jordan, yes; P.Wilson, yes; Frick, yes; K.Wilson, yes; Molohon, yes. Mayor Stiltz declared the MOTION CARRIED.

Fire Chief Matt Huebner informed the Council that Willie White, a fireman for 30 years is retiring. Mayor Stiltz will write a letter of thanks to Mr. White for his years of service to the city.

Chief Heubner informed the Council that he will not be resigning as Fire Chief. Alderman K.Wilson questioned whether he could withdraw his resignation. Attorney Swartz informed the Council that since no written resignation was received, he has not resigned. Alderman P.Wilson requested an Executive Session.

A motion was made by Alderman P.Wilson and seconded by Alderman Jordan to enter into Executive session to discuss a personnel issue. VOTES: P.Wilson, yes; Molohon, yes; Ortman, yes; Jordan, yes; K.Wilson, yes; Frick, yes. Mayor Stiltz declared the MOTION CARRIED, and the Council entered Executive session at 7:47 p.m.

A motion was made by Alderman Ortman and seconded by Alderman Frick to resume the regular session. VOTES: Molohon, yes; Ortman, yes; Jordan, yes; K.Wilson, yes; Frick, yes; P.Wilson, yes. Mayor Stiltz declared the MOTION CARRIED, and the regular session resumes at 8:41 p.m.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Alderman Frick and seconded by Alderman Molohon to adjourn. Votes: Molohon, yes; Ortman, yes; Jordan, yes; K.Wilson, yes; P.Wilson, yes. Mayor Stiltz declared the MOTION CARRIED, and the meeting adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Freeland, City Clerk

Approved: March 16, 2010