

City Council Minutes

April 6, 2010

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

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, Keith Wilson, Kevin Molohon, Perry Wilson, Stacey Frick, 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 Jordan and seconded by Alderman Frick 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

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

A motion was made by Alderman Jordan and seconded by Alderman Ortman to accept the minutes from the Finance Committee meeting of March 23, 2010 as presented. VOTES: K.Wilson, yes; Molohon, yes; Ortman, yes; Jordan, yes; P.Wilson, yes; Frick, yes. Mayor Stiltz declared the MOTION CARRIED.

A motion was made by Alderman Ortman and seconded by Alderman K.Wilson to approve Resolution 2010-01 declaring that the Executive Session minutes of 01/5/93, 01/19/93, 07/15/97, 05/04/99, 09/21/99, 02/15/00, 05/16/00, 06/6/00, 03/5/02, 03/19/02, 04/1/03, 6/17/03, 9/2/03, 9/16/03, 10/2/03, 10/7/03, 10/21/03, 01/04/05, 02/15/05, 03/15/05, 04/19/05, 05/03/05, 05/17/05, 06/07/05, 01/03/06, 04/18/06, 08/15/06, 09/18/07, 11/20/07, 03/15/08, 04/29/08, 05/06/08, 06/03/08, 01/06/09, 02/24/09, 07/23/02, 03/02/10 will remain confidential and therefore not released; and that the Executive Session minutes of 09/06/05, 10/04/05, 02/07/06, 02/06/07, 02/20/07, 06/19/07, 03/04/08, 04/01/08, 07/15/08, 10/07/08, 10/21/08, 12/09/08, 12/15/08, 02/03/09, 08/18/09, 12/01/09, 12/15/09, 01/05/10 are no longer confidential and therefore shall be released for public review. VOTES: Jordan, yes; P.Wilson, yes; Frick, yes; K.Wilson, yes; Molohon, yes; Ortman, yes. Mayor Stiltz declared the MOTION CARRIED.

A motion was made by Alderman Ortman and seconded by Alderman Jordan to approve the MFT Resolution 2010-02. VOTES: Frick, yes; P.Wilson, yes; Molohon, yes; Ortman, yes; Jordan, yes; K.Wilson, yes. Mayor Stiltz declared the MOTION CARRIED.

IV. Wrestling Team Proclamation

Mayor Stiltz presented a proclamation to the PORTA High School wrestling team in honor of their first place finish in the Class 1A State Dual

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Wrestling Tournament.

V. Hearing of Citizens

Edward Brennan addressed the Council. He questioned the citations he received for zoning violations on his property. He will meet with Mayor Stiltz, Zoning Administrator Jim Scheonherr to discuss the issue.

Jean Wilson advised the Council of several violations on Liberty Street. She was informed that the property has been issued citations in the past, and the police will look into the situation again.

VI. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

A. Street

Street Superintendent Jim Nimmo presented the Street Department report.

B. Police

Police Chief Dan Martin presented the Police Department report.

Due to the "Abandoned Baby Act", the Petersburg Police Department must display a "Safe Haven" sign. It will be placed on the outside of the building.

C. Water

The Council reviewed the Water Department report.

Superintendent Davis requested a fire pager in order to be better notified when the Fire Department may need water for fires. Fire Chief Heubner suggested Superintendent Davis be notified through dispatch when needed. After discussion and consensus, the Council directed Chief Heubner to meet with the 911 coordinator so they will know exactly when Superintendent Davis is needed, and to write up and submit a policy for Council approval.

D. Zoning

Zoning Administrator Jim Schoenherr presented the Zoning Department report.

E. Fire

Mayor Stiltz presented William White with a certificate of appreciation for his 30 years of service to the Petersburg Fire Department.

Fire Chief Matt Heubner reported on the Department's activities, and updated the Council on the status of obtaining the Cascade System.

A motion was made by Alderman Frick and seconded by Alderman Ortman to accept the recommendation of Chief Heubner and approve Christopher Henderson as a new fireman. VOTES: Frick, yes; P.Wilson, yes; Molohon, yes; Ortman, yes; Jordan, yes; K.Wilson, no. Mayor Stiltz declared the MOTION CARRIED.

VII. OFFICERS' REPORTS

A. Mayor's Report

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The City-wide cleanup was discussed. It was tentatively set for the week of May 17, 2010, with the exact dates being set after the City checks with the service providers as to when they are available.

Senior Citizen Coordinator Donna Meyer requested the authority to spend not more than \$300.00 for painting supplies for an art class. By consensus, the Council agreed to the request.

By consensus, the Council agreed to add to the Senior Citizens Policy and Procedures under item #6 "All cleaning supplies are located in the basement".

A motion was made by Alderman Ortman and seconded by Alderman P.Wilson to authorize Mayor Stiltz to execute the Audit Engagement letter with Mike Feriozzi for the audit of the City of Petersburg's financial statements for the year ending April 30, 2010. VOTES: Frick, yes; P.Wilson, yes; Molohon, yes; Ortman, yes; Jordan, yes; K.Wilson, yes. Mayor Stiltz declared the MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor Stiltz issued a proclamation declaring support and participation in the 2010 Census.

The Council declined to submit an ad in the Visitor's Guide for the Jim Edgar Panther Creek State Fish & Wildlife Area.

B. Treasurer's Report

None

VIII. STANDING COMMITTEES' REPORT

A. Finance: A meeting of the Finance Committee was scheduled for Tuesday, April 13, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. for budget discussion.

B. Judiciary: No report

C. Streets: No report

D. Police: No report

E. Health: No report

F. Fire: A motion was made by Alderman Frick and seconded by Alderman K.Wilson to accept the minutes from the Fire Committee from March 17, 2010 and March 29, 2010 as presented. VOTES: P.Wilson, yes; Molohon, yes; Ortman, yes; Jordan, yes; K.Wilson, yes; Frick, yes. Mayor Stiltz declared the MOTION CARRIED.

G. Buildings and Grounds: No report

H. Playgrounds and Parks: No report.

I. Water and Sewer: A motion was made by Alderman K. Wilson and seconded by Alderman Jordan to accept the minutes from the Water & Sewer Committee meeting from March 16, 2010 as presented. VOTES: Molohon, yes; Ortman, yes; Jordan, yes; K.Wilson, yes; Frick, yes; P.Wilson, yes. Mayor Stiltz

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declared the MOTION CARRIED.

J. Personnel: No report.

IX. 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

X. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

XI. NEW BUSINESS

None

XII. HEARING OF CITIZENS

None

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

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

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Freeland, City Clerk

Approved: April 6, 2010