

**City Council Minutes  
October 4, 2022**

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

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Rick Snyder called the City Council to order at 7:06 p.m.

**II. PRELIMINARY MATTERS**

A. Members present were Mayor Rick Snyder, Aldermen Kevin Molohon, , Andrew Gain, Bruce Gorman, Rick Sonnemaker, and Mike Allison. Also present were City Clerk Ken Ortman, Treasurer David Frick, and City Attorney Jason Brokaw. Alderman Nathan Grosboll was absent.

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

C. A motion was made by Alderman Gain and seconded by Alderman Allison to approve the agenda as presented. VOTES: Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes; Molohon, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

**III. CITY CLERK**

A. The City Clerk presented the Warrant List and Accounts Payable. A motion was made by Alderman Gain and seconded by Alderman Gorman to approve payment of the bills as listed on the Warrant List and Accounts Payable. VOTES: Gorman, yes; Molohon, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

B. A motion was made by Alderman Gorman and seconded by Alderman Gain to approve the minutes of September 20, 2022 Regular Meeting. VOTES: Molohon, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

**IV. HEARING OF CITIZENS**

Liz Vogt spoke on the Turkey Trot Run to be ran on November 19, 2022. Discussion on the different runs for different ages. A motion made by Alderman Gorman seconded by Alderman Gain to approve closing of the streets as specified using a new map for the Turkey Trot Run on November 19, 2022. VOTES: Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes;

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Gorman, yes, Molohon, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

**V. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS**

**A. Police**

1. Chief Nichols gave the Police Departments report for the Month of August 2022. Put new tires on the Ghost.
2. Hired Devin Delay as a part time officer.
3. Discussion on the repayment of the training and travel fees owed to the City by Alex Thomson agreed by the Council to allow him to work off the fee as a part time officer with a time period of about 18 months.

**B. Fire**

1. Chief Rebbe gave the Fire Department Report for the month of August.
2. The Department ran 26 calls for the month.
3. CassComm has installed the new VOIP phone line with the same phone number.
4. The Department has been looking for a new Apparatus. They have found an Engine to replace our current Engine 1. The replacement is a 2004 Pierce Lance Pumper. A motion made by Alderman Gorman seconded by Alderman Gain to approve the purchase of the 2004 Pierce Lance Pumper from Brindlee Mountain Fire Apparatus, LLC. VOTES: Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes; Molohon, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

**C. Zoning**

1. Ordinance 2022-08 **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 23-130 RELATING TO DESIGNATED PARKING OF RESTRICTED VEHICLES.** Discussion on the Restricted Parking area by the old water plant and changes to be made. A motion made by Alderman Gorman seconded by Alderman Gain to approve Ordinance 2022-08 **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 23-130 RELATING TO DESIGNATED PARKING OF RESTRICTED VEHICLES.** VOTES: Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes; Molohon, yes; Gain, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

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2. Duey mentioned that Lucky's on the Square will be bringing a TIFF Application for the next meeting to remodel a back room.

**VI. OFFICERS' REPORTS**

**A. Mayor's Report**

1. Ordinance 2022-09 **AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING THE COMPENSATION OF CITY OFFICIALS**. Discussion held on City Officials salaries and how Officials salaries have not changed in over 30 years. A motion made by Alderman Gain seconded by Alderman Sonnemaker to amend Ordinance 2022-09 **AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING THE COMPENSATION OF CITY OFFICIALS** to reflect \$5,000.00 for Alderman, \$7,000.00 for City Clerk, and \$7,000.00 for City Treasurer. VOTES: Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes; Molohon, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.
2. A motion made by Alderman Sonnemaker seconded by Alderman Gain to approve Ordinance 2022-09 **AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING THE COMPENSATION OF CITY OFFICIALS** as amended. VOTES: Gorman, yes; Molohon, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.
3. Resolution 2022-07 **Halloween Festival Street Closure**. A motion made by Alderman Gorman seconded by Alderman Gain to approve Resolution 2022-07 **Halloween Festival Street Closure**. VOTES: Molohon, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.
4. Resolution 2022-08 **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR THE OPEN SPACE LAND ACQUISITION (OSLAD) GRANT FOR THE JAYCEE PARK REVITALIZATION PROJECT**. A motion made by Alderman Gorman seconded by Alderman Allison to approve Resolution 2022-08 **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR THE OPEN SPACE LAND ACQUISITION (OSLAD) GRANT FOR THE JAYCEE PARK REVITALIZATION PROJECT**. VOTES: Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes; Molohon, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.
5. Discussion on two parcels that the City owns 11-24-100-06 .35 Acers and 11-24-100-007 .80 Acers. They are out of the City Limits and really of no use to the City. The Mayor would like to get rid of them and has two interested parties. By censuses of the Council he will pursue the process of selling them.

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6. Discussion on removing the dam by the ball park. IDNR said they would pay to remove it. All we need to do is pay for the permits to do it. By censuses the Mayor will peruse getting IDNR to remove it.
7. City Wide Clean up is Oct 6,7,8.
8. Well #11. The Mayor is thinking of Declaring an Emergency to allow the City to Contract the Well ourselves.
9. Discussion of Betty Alberts Plumbing bill. She claims the City, several years ago, replaced the water line and said if she had any problems with it the City would take care of it. She presented the bill from Collins P&H for \$1099.85. Ordinances say the home owner is responsible from the Buffalo Box so the City is not paying her bill.

**B. Treasurer's Report**

None

**VI. STANDING COMMITTEES' REPORT**

None

**A. Building and Grounds**

**B. Fire**

**C. Parks and Playgrounds**

**D. Personnel**

**E. Streets**

**F. Water/Sewer**

**G. Police**

**H. Finance**

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VII. SPECIAL COMMITTEES' REPORT

None

X. Old Business

None

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None

XII. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Alderman Gorman and seconded by Alderman Gain to adjourn the meeting. VOTES: Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes; Molohon, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED. Meeting Adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Kenneth Ortman, City Clerk

Approved: October 18, 2022