

**City Council Minutes  
February 2, 2021**

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

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Rick Snyder called the City Council to order at 7:05 p.m.

**II. PRELIMINARY MATTERS**

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

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 Gorman to accept tonight's agenda with the exception of removing the Department Report for Zoning and scheduled for a later date. VOTES: Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes; Molohon, yes; Grosboll, 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 Sonnemaker to approve payment of the bills as listed on the Warrant List and Accounts Payable. VOTES: Gorman, yes; Molohon, yes; Grosboll, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

B. The Clerk presented the Regular Meeting Minutes of 1.19.21. A motion was made by Alderman Grosboll and seconded by Alderman Gain to approve the minutes of January 19, 2021 Regular Meeting. VOTES: Molohon, yes; Grosboll, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, abstain; Sonnemaker, abstain; Gorman, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

C. The Clerk presented the Executive Session Minutes of 1.19.21. A motion made by Alderman Gorman seconded by Alderman Gain to approve the minutes of the January 19, 2021 Executive Session Meeting. VOTES: Grosboll, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, abstain; Sonnemaker, abstain; Gorman, yes, Molohon, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

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D. The Clerk presented the Special Meeting Minutes of 1.26.21. A motion made by Alderman Gorman seconded by Alderman Sonnemaker to approve the minutes of the January 26, 2021 Special Meeting. VOTES: Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes; Molohon, yes; Grosboll, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

**IV. HEARING OF CITIZENS**

A. Cindy Sinclair - Passed out a document to the Alderman. She spoke in opposition to the special use of the property located at 324 W. Jackson as a Bed and Breakfast and extension of food service hours.

B. Tina Marie Williamson - Spoke in opposition to the special use of the property located at 324 W. Jackson as a Bed and Breakfast and extension of food service hours.

C. Mayor Ricky Snyder - Spoke in regard to Special Use Ordinances and how it pertains to the property located at 324 W. Jackson.

D. Corey Faucon - Spoke about their plans for the property located at 324 W. Jackson.

E. Doug Pope - Spoke in favor of what Emily and Corey Faucon will be doing with the property at 324 W. Jackson.

F. Zoning Administrator Duey Blair spoke in regards to Cindy Sinclair's comments.

G. Additional comments via emails were sent before the meeting by Mark McCurdy, Jacob Ballard and Peter Olesen and were read by the City Clerk.

H. Penny Snyder spoke in favor of what Emily and Corey Faucon will be doing with the property at 324 W. Jackson.

I. Alderman Rick Sonnemaker spoke in regards to the issues of the existing ordinances.

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**V. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS**

**A. Police**

1. Assistance Chief Mike Nichols presented the Police Activity Report for January 2021. Dr. Terry O'Brian has taken over the role as Menard County Animal Control Administrator. He will be providing quarterly reports on the activities performed in Petersburg. The department has hired Kelsey Woolridge, with the Shariff's Department as a Part Time Officer and has a line on a couple of other people that would be able to work part time. Sergeant Stanley has withdrawn his resignation with the Police Department temporarily.

2. Approval of Part Time Police Officer's pay increase. A motion made by Alderman Gorman seconded by Alderman Sonnemaker that the pay for Part Time Petersburg Police Officers be set at \$17.50 per hour retroactive to the last pay period. VOTES: Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes; Molohon, yes; Grosboll, yes; Gain, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

**B. Fire**

1 The mayor presented the Fire Department Report for February 2021. The Department handled a total of 24 calls.

**VI. OFFICERS' REPORTS**

**A. Mayor's Report**

None

**B. Treasurer's Report**

None

**VII. STANDING COMMITTEES' REPORT**

None

**VIII. SPECIAL COMMITTEES' REPORT**

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None

**IX. Old Business**

None

**X. NEW BUSINESS**

1. Police Chief will be going into the hospital for a medical procedure and will be out for 4 to 6 weeks. A Special Meeting needs to be held to appoint an Acting Chief of Police until Chief Jones comes back to work.

2. The Mayor will be out of town from February 4, 2021 to February 23, 2021. A Mayor Pro Tem needs to be named at that meeting too.

That meeting will be held on February 12, 2021 at 6:45 p.m.

**XI. ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Alderman Gain and seconded by Alderman Allison to adjourn the meeting. VOTES: Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes; Molohon, yes; Grosboll, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED. Meeting Adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Kenneth Ortman, City Clerk

Approved: February 16, 2021