

**City Council Minutes
April 6, 2021**

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

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Rick Snyder called the City Council to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. PRELIMINARY MATTERS

A. Members present were Mayor Rick Snyder, Aldermen Kevin Molohon, Andrew Gain, Rick Sonnemaker, and Mike Allison. Also present were City Clerk Ken Ortman, Treasurer David Frick, and City Attorney Chris Sherer. Alderman Nathan Grosboll and Bruce Gorman were 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; 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 Allison and seconded by Alderman Sonnemaker to approve payment of the bills as listed on the Warrant List and Accounts Payable. VOTES: Molohon, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

B. A motion was made by Alderman Gain and seconded by Alderman Allison to approve the minutes of March 16, 2021 Regular Meeting. VOTES: Molohon, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

C. A motion was made by Alderman Allison and seconded by Alderman Gain to approve the minutes of March 23, 2021 Finance Committee Meeting. VOTES: Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Molohon, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

D. A motion was made by Alderman Gain and seconded by Alderman Sonnemaker to approve the minutes of March 23, 2021 Water/Sewer Committee Meeting. VOTES: Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes;

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Molohon, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

IV. HEARING OF CITIZENS

1. Brie Allison spoke on the Drinkin With Lincoln event and race route for the 5K race. A motion made by Alderman Gain seconded by Alderman Allison to approve the race route for the Drinkin with Lincoln 5K. VOTES: Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Molohon, yes; Gain, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

2. M.J. Martin, Assistant Pastor with The Truth Tabernacle Church requesting to be able to hold a fund raiser at the stop light by distributing lollipops May 1, 2021 from 9 to 1 with a rain date of May 22. By censuses of the Council, they will allow the Truth Tabernacle Church to hold a fund raiser on those dates.

V. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

A. Police

1. Chief Jones gave the Police Report for the month of March 2021. The Chief wanted to give cudo's to Assistant Chief Mike Nichols for his stepping in as Acting Chief while Chief Jones was out on Medical Leave. He did an exemplary job!

2. Chief Jones presented the Police Department Activity for March 2021.

3. Alderman Molohen asked if the Department could do a traffic study on Oakland Ave. He has had complaints of people driving way too fast coming from the lake and going back that way.

B. Fire

1. Chief Rebbe presented the Fire Department for March 2021. The Department ran 35 calls. They have had several CO2 alarms at the Housing. He will contact them to have them update some of the alarms as they usually only last 5 to 7 years.

2. Most of the lighting has been updated to LED for efficiency.

3. Crystal Honkala has applied to become a member of the Petersburg Fire Department. She will be voted on at the Next meeting.

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4. Need a resolution to dispose of the old light fixtures from the Fire Department.

C. Zoning

1. Zoning Administrator Duey Blair presented the Zoning Report for the month of March and for the First Quarter.

2. Duey presented a TIF Application from the Historical Society for roof re-shingle. Because they are Not for profit and don't pay taxes they can't get TIF money.

VI. OFFICERS' REPORTS

A. Mayor's Report

1. Railroad crossing closure on Rutledge Street. Discussion was held. Council talked about building the river wall and would not have to have a break in the wall at Rutledge. Issue was tabled for a future meeting.

2. Sidewalk Café's - Discussion on allowing continued no charge for any restaurant business that wanted to provide a sidewalk café. A motion made by Alderman Gain seconded by Alderman Sonnemaker to extend the free gratis Sidewalk Café Licenses to any restaurant that wanted to use it for another year. VOTES: Sonnemaker, yes; Molohon, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, abstain; Mayor, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

Alderman Grosboll arrived at 7:40 p.m.

3. Road Program - Discussion on the Oil and Chip program for this year.

B. Treasurer's Report

1. The Treasures set a Budget Meeting for April 13, 2021 7:00 p.m. for the Water and Sewer Departments.

2. Audit Engagement Letter. City Auditor Mike Feriozzi sent his Engagement Letter of 2021-2022. A motion made by Alderman Gain seconded by Alderman Sonnemaker to accept the Engagement Letter from Mike Feriozzi City Auditor. VOTES: Molohon, yes; Grosboll, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

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VII. STANDING COMMITTEES' REPORT

A. Building and Grounds

B. Fire

C. Parks and Playgrounds

D. Personnel

1. Set Personnel Committee Meeting to discuss pay scales. Meeting set for April 14, 2021 7:00 p.m.

E. Streets

F. Water/Sewer

1. Set Water/Sewer Committee meeting about Sewer Rates. Meeting set for April 13, 7:10 p.m.

G. Police

H. Finance

VIII. SPECIAL COMMITTEES' REPORT

None

IX. Old Business

1. The Mayor said the Grant we applied for the water well did not go through.

2. GG's on the west side of the square sold to Mindy Cline. She is opening up an exercise, golf driving range and Tanning salon.

X. NEW BUSINESS

1. Sale of Chevy Truck will be put on the next meeting agenda.

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2. Question was asked about which Vac Truck we bought.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Alderman Gain and seconded by Alderman Sonnemaker to adjourn the meeting. VOTES: Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Molohon, yes; Grosboll, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED. Meeting Adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth Ortman, City Clerk

Approved: April 20, 2021