

City Council Minutes
August 6, 2024

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 Neil Conklin, Tia Baugher, Andrew Gain, Rick Sonnemaker, and Mike Allison. Also present were City Clerk Ken Ortman, Treasurer David Frick, and City Attorney Jason Brokaw. Alderman Bruce Gorman 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 seconded by Alderman Baugher to approve the agenda as presented. VOTES: Sonnemaker, yes; Conklin, yes; Baugher, 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 seconded by Alderman Sonnemaker to approve payment of the bills as listed on the Warrant List and Accounts Payable. VOTES: Conklin, yes; Baugher, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

B. A motion was made by Alderman Allison seconded by Alderman Conklin to approve the minutes of July 16, 2024 Regular Meeting. VOTES: Conklin, yes; Baugher, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

C. A motion was made by Alderman Allison seconded by Alderman Gain to approve the minutes of the July 16, 2024 Finance Committee. VOTES: Baugher, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Conklin, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

D. A motion was made by Alderman Sonnemaker seconded by Alderman Allison to approve the minutes of the July 23, 2024 Special Meeting.

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VOTES: Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Conklin, Abstain; Baugher, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

IV. HEARING OF CITIZENS

- A. Mandy Shamhart - Request for street Closure for October 12, 2024 for Jackson St. from 6th to 7th for the Witches Walk. Set up would be 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. A motion made by Alderman Gain seconded by Alderman Baugher to approve the street closure for the Witches Walk on October 12, 2024. VOTES: Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Conklin, yes; Baugher, yes; Gain, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.
- B. Brie Allison - Request for street closure for the Annual Harvest Fest Sept 21, 2024. A motion made by Alderman Gain seconded by Alderman Allison to approve the Street Closures for Harvest Fest and the parade route for Sept 21, 2024. VOTES: Sonnemaker, yes; Conklin, yes; Baugher, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

V. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

A. Police

1. Monthly Report - Asst. Chief Royce Shamhart gave the Report for the month of July 2024.

B. Fire

1. Monthly Report - Chief Eric Heubner gave the report for July 2024.
2. Probationary Firefighter - Request to add Kyle Heuber to the firefighter rolls as a Probationary Firefighter. A motion made by Alderman Allison seconded by Gain to approve Kyle Herbner as a probationary firefighter. VOTES: Conklin, yes; Baugher, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.
3. Surplus Property - Request for surplus property for hoses and nozzles and such and Old Engine 2. Eric will get the Clerk all the information on a surplus property and will set up an

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ordinance to dispose of it.

C. Zoning

1. TIF Application - Lucky's on the Square has a Façade Improvement Applications. Discussion held and the application will be held over till next month to check on some of the work should have already been done.

VI. OFFICERS' REPORTS

A. Mayor's Report

1. Road Program - One bid for oil and chip program from IRC which was approved and one bid on materials to rebuild roads from Colender & Co. which was rejected because they didn't bid on both sections of the bid.
2. Discussion on salt discharge from our water plant. Jeff Thompson with Klingler Engineering spoke on an IEPA requirement to provide proof that our water discharge is not affecting aquatic life. By consensus of the Council we will schedule this for 2025-2026 FY.
3. Discussion on replacement design for a new Sewer Treatment Plant.
4. Animal Control - discussion on TNR Program used by Menard County Animal Control.
5. Discussion on Old Jr. High School building.

B. Treasurer

1. Reminder for Council to be at the 6:55 p.m. Appropriations Hearing.

VI. STANDING COMMITTEES' REPORT

None

A. Building and Grounds

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B. Fire

C. Parks and Playgrounds

D. Personnel

E. Streets

F. Water/Sewer

G. Police

H. Finance

VII. SPECIAL COMMITTEES' REPORT

X. Old Business

1. Discussion on Railroad right of way behind Buzzin Bean Coffee Shop.


X. NEW BUSINESS

None

XII. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Alderman Gain and seconded by Alderman Baugher to adjourn the meeting. VOTES: Conklin, yes; Baugher, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED. Meeting Adjourned at 8:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Kenneth Ortman, City Clerk

Approved: August 20, 2024