

**City Council Minutes
September 17, 2024**

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

B. A motion was made by Alderman Gorman seconded by Alderman Conklin to approve the minutes of September 3, 2024 Regular Meeting. VOTES: Conklin, yes; Baugher, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

C. It's time for the semi-annual review of the Executive Session Minutes. We will convene an Executive Session at the October 1, 2024 meeting to discuss the minutes and a Resolution will be available October 14 for passage.

IV. HEARING OF CITIZENS

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1. Lori Esslinger with Porta School District requested the closure of Monroe street during bus drills on October 15 or 16, 2024.
2. Samantha Weaver request road closures for the Girls On The Run 5K October 21, 2024 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. A motion made by Alderman Gorman seconded by Alderman Allison to approve the listed road Closures for the Girls On The Run 5K. VOTES: Baugher, Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes, Conklin, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

V. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

A. Water

1. Collector's Report - Georgia Ed gave the Collector's Report for August 2024. Sold about 260,000 gal less than August 2023. Revenue of about \$19,000 more than August 2023 YTD is about \$19,000 less than 2023. I have 3 sewer adjustments and one payment agreement. Annual 2% increase will go into effect with bills mailed out on 10/31/24. A motion made by Alderman Gorman seconded by Alderman Sonnemaker to approve the Collector's Report, adjustments and payment agreement as presented. VOTES: Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes; Conklin, yes; Baugher, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.
2. Water Superintendent's Report - Superintendent Korrie Davis gave the Report for May 2024. The Plant treated 8,714,000 gallons of water. Samples sent to labs, numerous reports to EPA. PP&H installed new water line on Rt 97. New well is programmed to run. Testing new well samples.
3. Need to discuss hiring a replacement for Mike Cantrall's old position.
4. Pakscans - We have a bid from Hydro-Kinetics Corp. for Pakscans Actuator Communications Network Upgrade. This is the hardware that controls all the valves and actuators in the Water Treatment Plant. A motion made by Alderman Gorman seconded by Alderman Conklin to accept the bid of \$53,173.00 for the Pakscan upgrade. VOTES: Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes; Conklin, yes; Baugher, yes; Gain, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

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5. Discussion on city trip to view new Sewer Treatment Plant in MO.

B. Street

1. Street Superintendent's Report - Superintendent Brian Whitehurst gave the Report for August 2024.
2. Discussion of street closures for Harvest Fest, PORTA Special Needs Bus Drives had questions on dropping off kids at the Yellow Door and 1st & 3rd during the street closures.

C. Zoning

1. TIF Application - Christine Grisham Acupuncture has submitted an Application for TIF Assistance. Total project cost is \$33,385 for internal repairs. Question for Zoning as to the amount committed to FY 2025. He will find out and report back to council. By consensus council will help, the amount is not known at this time. Council will take this up next month.

VI. OFFICERS' REPORTS

A. Mayor's Report

None

B. Treasurer

1. Fire Dept Grant - Treasurer received the Grant money for the Fire Department.
2. Treasurer's Report - David Frick presented the Treasurer's Report. A motion made by Alderman Gorman seconded by Alderman Allison to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. VOTES: Gorman, yes; Conklin, yes; Baugher, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

VI. STANDING COMMITTEES' REPORT

None

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A. Building and Grounds

B. Fire

C. Parks and Playgrounds

D. Personnel

E. Streets

F. Water/Sewer

G. Police

H. Finance

VII. SPECIAL COMMITTEES' REPORT

None

X. Old Business

1. Grocery Tax Vote - Need to have special meeting Friday September 27, 2024 6 P.M.
2. East Bluff gate - question for Council to get a survey of the City Property Line for East Bluff Drive.
3. Dam Update. Mayor said IDNR is asking the City to get possession for 5 to 10 acres so IDNR can have clear access to the dam.
4. IDOT meeting - IDOT is wanting to have a meeting with them, City and Trails and Greenways to discuss Rout 97 work Oct 8, 2024 9:00 a.m.
5. Flock Safety - Discussion on Flock Safety Cameras and a camera at the Elementary school.

X. NEW BUSINESS

none

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XII. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Alderman Allison and seconded by Alderman Gorman to adjourn the meeting. VOTES: Gorman, yes; Conklin, yes; Baugher, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Kenneth Ortman, City Clerk

Approved: October 1, 2024