

TRENTON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING APRIL 10, 2017

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Trenton City Council was called to order by Mayor Kyle Jones on Monday, April 10, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall.

ROLL CALL

Hooker, Mohme, Woods, Zurliene, Sims All Present

Also present were City Clerk Karen Buzzard, City Administrator Doug Brimm, Attorney Tim Palen, Superintendent of Public Works Kurt Wehrle, Mike Conley, Officer Anjeles Mora, Christa Schott, and Owen and Hank Henderson.

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS

PUBLIC INPUT

Owen Henderson of Boy Scout Troop 39 informed the Council that his Eagle Scout Project will be done for the library. He intends to build a bench that will be placed in front of the library for children to sit on while they wait for the school bus. In addition he plans to build a puppet theater and puppets, and to record audio books for the library. He asked for financial assistance from the City for the purchase of the bench materials. He presented several different types of benches and the cost for each. Mayor Jones asked which bench the young Mr. Henderson preferred. He said the plastic one because it is more durable and would require the least amount of maintenance. Alderman Hooker suggested a commercial grade bench. Mr. Henderson was given a catalog of park equipment and tasked with finding something suitable and coming back to the Council.

Christa Schott said that she was here two weeks ago and has not heard anything. Mayor Jones said that we will be in touch when we have a more clear answer to give her. Superintendent Wehrle said that the alley has been fixed. Ms. Schott stated that this is more than just a hole in her yard, she had a concrete pad torn out and privacy bushes removed. Her child cannot play outside. Ms. Schott confirmed that Essenpreis Plumbing told her she was missing a 12 to 15 foot section of her sewer line. Mr. Brimm asked for Essenpreis' contact information and he will call them directly.

COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS – MAYOR

Mayor Jones congratulated everyone that won in the recent election. He is excited to continue working together.

Over the weekend there was some vandalism at the park. In the men's restroom the sink was damaged. Mr. Brimm will reach out to Chad Litteken for parts.

COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS- ALDERMEN

Alderman Hooker said that there is a lot of plastic that has blown from the Dollar General Construction site into the ditch and onto Pete Schumacher's property. They should be notified to clean it up.

COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS – CITY STAFF

Mr. Brimm stated that the request for bids for the HVAC system at City Hall is on the City's website and will be in the Trenton Sun this week. Bids are due by April 21, 2017 at 4:00 pm and

bid award will be on either the April 24, 2017 or May 8, 2017 agenda for approval. The sooner the better because the unit outside is frozen at the moment.

CONSENT AGENDA

Alderman Hooker made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Second Alderman Zurliene, all yes, motion carried. The Consent Agenda included the Minutes of the March 27, 2017 regular Council Meeting, the minutes of the March 30, 2017 Special Council Meeting, bills and payrolls for the month of March 2017, and the Treasurer's Report for February 2017.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Alderman Woods made a motion to Approve Resolution #04102017 Releasing Minutes of Certain Closed Sessions. Second Alderman Hooker, all yes, motion carried.

Alderman Hooker made a motion to Approve Purchase of Street Sweeper Attachment for Skid Steer in the Amount of \$5,348.00. Second Alderman Woods. Hooker, Mohme, Sims, Woods, yes; Zurliene, no. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Jones reported that the General Fund surplus is just under \$170,000 to date. The Equipment Fund line of credit has an outstanding balance of just over \$41,000.00. He would like to see the Council pay off the line of credit with surplus funds and then transfer \$100,000 to the Capital Improvement fund. We will need to purchase one or two police cars next year and freeing up the line of credit will enable us to do that.

Mr. Brimm met again with Light Brite to review their request for TIF assistance. This project would entail renovating two ADA accessible restrooms as well as an ADA accessible lunch room and expanded workspace area. New electrical and HVAC would also be installed. Total cost of the project would be \$118,615.00. The majority of this project qualifies as health/safety, but the most that has been awarded in previous agreements is \$24,000.00. Mr. Brimm feels that it is best to put a cap on the amount paid out at 90%. For this project the total payout would be \$79,102.50 over a five year period. Mr. Todd Klein at Light Brite is happy with the agreement.

Mr. Brimm presented for the Council's review a final plat for Brian Kunz First Subdivision. This is a minor subdivision with no utilities and no roadway. A house already exists on the property and Mr. Kunz will be combining parcels to meet the Plat Act requirements for size.

Mr. Brimm said that the police fleet is at 50% capacity right now. TPD4 has been totaled and 08-01, Wiebler's vehicle, is at Deien Chevrolet having the transmission worked on. Chief Palen said that the Kansas Highway Patrol no longer uses the Tahoe, they have moved to the Ford Explorer. He has left messages for the Missouri Highway Patrol but not heard anything back. There are also some specialty dealerships in the Chicago area that deal in reconditioned police vehicles. There was discussion about keeping with the Tahoe versus switching to an Explorer. Chief Palen will gather more information and bring it back to the Council.

Mr. and Mrs. Biver of 1017 E 2nd Street would like to put up a shed on their property which backs up to E 3rd Street. A variance would be required to meet the setbacks. Along 3rd Street is a dedicated right of way, and the Bivers would like to know if the City would consider vacating that right of way. The Bivers would still need to apply for a variance even with this additional land given to them. Alderman Hooker said that the land would need to be surveyed and a title company would have to be involved to give each property owner along the right of way a piece of it. He would like to know who will be paying for that. Mayor Jones is not in favor of having homeowners forced to pay more in property taxes because the City gave them land they did not ask for. Mr. Brimm will gather more information and bring this back up at another meeting.

Alderman Woods expressed concern at the wastewater treatment plant. There is no fence around the hole that has been dug out which is now filled with water. This could pose a hazard. The City wide yard sale will be May 8, 2017 and the City wide clean-up will be May 13, 2017.

Mayor Jones informed the Council that we will have professional pictures of each Council member and all department heads on the website soon.

CLOSED SESSION

Alderman Hooker made a motion to enter into closed session citing 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2) Collective Bargaining, 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5) Purchase or Lease on Real Property for the Use of the Public Body, and 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11) Pending or Probable Litigation. Second Alderman Woods, all yes, motion carried. The Council entered closed session at 8:00 p.m.

The Council re-entered the regular meeting at 8:36 p.m. Roll Call: Hooker, Mohme, Sims, Woods, Zurliene. All present.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Hooker made a motion to adjourn. Second Alderman Sims, all yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

Karen Buzzard, City Clerk