

TRENTON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING OCTOBER 23, 2017

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Trenton City Council was called to order by Mayor Kyle Jones on Monday, October 23, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall.

ROLL CALL

Hooker (absent), Mohme, Sims, Weh, Woods, Zurliene

Also present were City Clerk Karen Buzzard, City Administrator Doug Brimm, Superintendent of Public Works Kurt Wehrle, Chief Chris Joellenbeck, Attorney Joe Heiligenstein, Officer Alex Wilken, Sergeant Ryan Weh, Mike Conley, Jim Brefeld, Brett Benhoff of HMG Engineering and Andrew Trombley

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS

PUBLIC INPUT

Brett Benhoff with HMG Engineering reported to the Council on the progress of the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Piping continues to be installed as well as the mechanical bar screen. Painting of the control building is near completion. The lagoon is being filled and a punch list for the lab is being worked through. Moving into the new lab will take place this week. In the next 30 days there will be training on the new equipment, the UV equipment will be delivered, and the lagoon will continue to be filled. Korte-Luitjohan expects to be online with the new plant the first week of December. There was discussion about the type of fence that will surround the property upon completion of the project.

Mr. Trombley was here to discuss a sewer issue. He set an appointment to meet with Mr. Brimm and Mr. Wehrle.

COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS – MAYOR

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Alderman Woods said that the Park Boosters have donated six trees to the park. Mr. Wehrle stated that two trees in the park have been cut down. One was dead and one was diseased. Alderman Weh attended the Sugar Creek Fire and Sugar Creek EMS open house/recruitment day. He commended those who put that event on and said that it is important to have a high level understanding of what they do. He would like to invite them to attend one Council meeting per month and report on their activities. Mr. Brimm stated that Sugar Creek EMS is also a member of IPRF (worker's comp insurance) and there has been talk of joint training.

COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS – CITY STAFF

Clerk Buzzard reported to the Council that she has prepared a Request for Proposal for the re-codification of the City Code Book. Proposals are due back by December 1, 2017. This re-codification will not include the rewriting of the chapter on Zoning.

CONSENT AGENDA

Alderman Woods made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as read. Second Alderman Weh, all yes, Hooker absent. Motion carried. The consent agenda included setting of Trick or Treat hours for Tuesday, October 31, 2017 from 6:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m., Approval of Ordinance #1687 Authorizing the Sale of Surplus Property (2007 Chevrolet Impala PPV), and Approval of Minutes of the October 9, 2017 Regular Council Meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Alderman Weh made a motion to Approve Ordinance #1688 Approving an Agreement for Tax Increment Finance Proceeds (491 E Broadway). Second Alderman Mohme, all yes, Hooker absent. Motion carried.

The Council voiced concern with the next Tax Increment Finance agreement because the property owner has expressed that he would like to sell the building. Attorney Heiligenstein assured them that the agreement included language that addressed that issue. Alderman Woods made a motion to Approve Ordinance #1689 Approving an Agreement for Tax Increment Finance Proceeds (23 W Broadway). Second Alderman Sims, all yes, Hooker absent. Motion carried.

Brett Benhoff with HMG Engineering reviewed for the Council the bid results for the City Park/Library roofing/siding project. The low bidder, D.E. Martin Roofing, would like to start on the project later this week if the bid is awarded to them tonight. Mayor Jones said this project would be paid from the small capital improvement fund and then we would use the Capital Improvement line of credit with the monthly proceeds from the small capital improvement fund paying the line of credit payment. Alderman Woods made a motion to Award the Bid for Trenton City Park/Library Roofing/Siding Project to D. E. Martin Roofing Co., Inc. in the Amount of \$72,886.00. Second Alderman Zurliene, all yes, Hooker absent. Motion carried.

Clerk Buzzard provided the Council with information on the “deduct” water meters that was discussed at the previous meeting. Pricing for a meter only from Aviston Lumber is \$65.00. A full meter kit runs right at \$145.00. After some general discussion it was decided to move forward on this. An ordinance will be prepared for approval at the next meeting.

Mr. Brefeld entered the room at 7:38 p.m. and was informed that the Council had already approved his TIF agreement. He questioned whether sales tax was figured into the reimbursement. Mr. Brimm stated that the reimbursement was figured based on the estimates received, and the estimates did not break down sales tax.

Mr. Brimm had provided the Council with a copy of Carlyle’s raffle ordinance. The Council expressed concern over items such as traffic control, parking, and crowd control if an event in Trenton were to grow to the size of the current Queen of Hearts drawing in Aviston. The Council would like to see something incorporated that would require the organization hosting a raffle to be responsible for additional City resources such as police protection or transportation. Mayor Jones stated that he does not want to prevent organizations from doing good for the City; he just wants to protect the City and its residents. Alderman Woods questioned whether all of those details need to be incorporated into the ordinance. Attorney Heiligenstein said that it was better to try to get some language in the ordinance.

NEW BUSINESS

Superintendent of Public Works Wehrle informed the Council that currently there are 29 water meters that are not functioning properly. He would like to purchase 20 complete meters and 30 meter tops. This would take care of the ones not functioning properly and also cover the 6 meters at Mr. Brefeld building on Broadway that need to have meters moved outside and also 3 at the Corner Gym that need to be moved outside. Alderman Woods made a motion to Authorize the Purchase of Water Meters from Schulte Supply in the Amount of \$9,490.50 to be paid from the Infrastructure Fund. Second Alderman Weh, all yes, Hooker absent. Motion carried.

Mr. Brimm informed the Council that in 2015 the State amended the Liquor Code requiring BASSETT training for all servers, bartenders, bouncers, etc. Compliance was phased in based on the population of the County and Clinton County establishments were to be compliant by July 1, 2017. The course is only 3 hours in duration, can be taken on-line or in classroom, and the certification lasts for 3 years. Trenton would like to require copies of certifications with liquor

license applications. Letters will be sent to all liquor license holders to let them know of this new requirement.

Mr. Brimm informed the Council that Mr. Begole has signed all of the paperwork for the sale of property to the City and annexation of additional property. Publication of annexation will be in this week's paper and the Council will act at the next meeting. Mayor Jones said that the purchase price is \$225,000.00 and will be financed with the balance of the revolving loan fund, Industrial Commission funds and then a loan from Community Bank at 2.5% for ten years. The Capital Improvement Fund will make the loan payments and it likely that general fund surpluses will pay off the loan. Once the water line is in to the bore site the City will probably look to have a private developer purchase the land from the City. A total of roughly 120 acres will be annexed. The Council has taken action on this once, but there have been changes so action will need to be taken again.

Chief Joellenbeck explained to the Council the current situation with the Decatur Electronics in-car cameras. Downloading of the data is very cumbersome. Chief Joellenbeck would like to purchase a couple of units through Martel Electronics. These units are self-contained HD units with removable SD cards which makes downloading the data fast and easy. Sergeant Weh's vehicle is equipped with a Martel unit and he has experienced no problems. After more discussion it was decided that Mr. Brimm would put together a funding breakdown to bring back to the Council for this purchase.

Clerk Buzzard discussed with the Council the candidate options for the IMRF Executive Trustee election. The Council will let her decide and they will approve the resolution at the next meeting. The Council also agreed to authorize Ms. Buzzard to vote on behalf of the City for future elections. This needs to be ratified by resolution and Ms. Buzzard will have that prepared for the next meeting also.

The Mayor recessed the meeting at 8:33 p.m. The meeting was called back to order at 8:45 p.m. Roll Call: Hooker (absent), Mohme, Weh, Sims, Woods, Zurliene.

CLOSED SESSION

Alderman Mohme made a motion to enter into closed session citing 5ILCS 120/2(c)(1) Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance or Dismissal of Specific Employees of the Public Body and 5ILCS 120/2 (c)(11) Pending or Probable Litigation. Second Alderman Zurliene, all yes, Hooker absent. The Council entered closed session at 8:45 p.m.

The Council reentered the regular meeting at 9:26 p.m.

Roll Call: Hooker (absent), Mohme, Sims, Weh, Woods, Zurliene

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Weh made a motion to adjourn. Second Alderman Woods, all yes, Hooker absent. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:26 p.m.

Karen Buzzard, City Clerk