

TRENTON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING JUNE 27, 2016

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Trenton City Council was called to order by Mayor Kyle Jones on Monday, June 27, 2016 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 of the Trenton Sun, Officer Ryan Olier, Kelly Ross of the Breese Journal, Sarah Tebbe of HMG Engineering, Hailey Pritchett, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Thole, Larry Munie and Chief Mike Jones

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Jones stated that DARE BBQ competition had a good turnout this weekend. The event was well attended by teams. We will learn from this year and make next year even better. He expressed appreciation to Chief Jones and his officers for their hard work on this event.

PUBLIC INPUT

Ms. Hailey Pritchett of 535 W 3rd Street informed the Council that yesterday her vehicle was the victim of a hit and run while parked in front of her house. Next month it will be three years since another of her vehicles was totaled while parked on the road in front of her house. She asked what she can do and what the City plans to do about this. Mayor Jones informed here that after the previous incident stop signs were put up all over town. The Trenton Police department is the most active in all of Clinton County with the majority of traffic stops not taking place on the highways. The visibility is very good on her street and therefore speeding does not occur while police are sitting there. For the same reasons as before, the City will not be putting speed bumps on the road. The liability is too great. One alderman suggested restricting parking to only one side of the street. He said that it is often difficult to maneuver with cars parked on both sides. It was pointed out that this would be creating a speed lane. Mayor Jones said that the City would increase patrols in that area, but other than that there is not much else that we can do.

COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS – MAYOR

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Chief Jones said that his department has been notified that there are people going door-to-door claiming to be from Ameren conducting a survey for low income residents. These people are actually from Realgy, a competitor for electric supply. They demand to see your Ameren bill, take information without you realizing, and end up switching your electric supplier to them. Ameren is aware of this and these people are not with Ameren, they do not have a permit to solicit in the City of Trenton. If anyone believes they have been a victim of this switch call City Hall or Ameren.

Superintendent of Public Works, Kurt Wehrle updated the Council on the events last Monday surrounding the water main break. He received a call about 4:30 a.m. from SLM, the City's water supplier, informing him that the tower at Summerfield had lost a considerable amount of water in a short time. Mr. Wehrle investigated and found a break in the main transmission line

across from the fire station near where AT&T had recently set a new pole. He was able to close a recently discovered valve and back feed the system to that point keeping the City with water. AT&T was called to secure their pole because digging at the break site could have caused that to fall. Once the hole was opened up it was determined that a line stop was needed to be able to make the necessary repairs. Haier Plumbing was called for that. By the end of the day all repairs were made and a boil order was issued for the ten residents that feed directly from that line.

CONSENT AGENDA

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Alderman Mohme made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 14, 2016 Regular Council Meeting. Second Alderman Zurliene, all yes, motion carried.

Alderman Hooker made an amended motion to Approve purchase of Replacement Tracks for the Bulldozer from Heavy Equipment Resources in the Amount of \$7,000.00. This is to be paid from the equipment line of credit. Second Alderman Woods, all yes, motion carried.

Alderman Hooker made a motion to Approve Notice of Intent to Award the Wastewater Treatment Plant Project to Korte Luitjohan who presented the low base bid of \$5,054,400.00. Second Alderman Zurliene, all yes, motion carried.

Alderman Woods made a motion to Approve Purchase of Materials for Sidewalk & Curb Ramp Improvement to First and Main Streets in an amount not to exceed \$10,000 to be paid from MFT Fund. Second Alderman Hooker, all yes, motion carried.

Alderman Woods made a motion to Approve Ordinance #1636 Establishing Wages/Salaries for Non-Union City Employees. Second Alderman Sims, Mohme no, everyone else yes, motion carried.

Alderman Hooker made a motion Exercising Power of Administrative Review of Decision of Zoning Hearing Officer (114 East Fourth Street Variance). Second Alderman Woods, all yes, motion carried.

Alderman Hooker made a motion to Approve Ordinance #1637 Granting a Zoning Variance for 114 East Fourth Street, Trenton, Illinois. Second Alderman Zurliene, all yes, motion carried.

Alderman Woods made a motion Exercising Power of Administrative Review of Decision of Zoning Hearing Officer (302 South Main Street Variance). Second Alderman Zurliene, all yes, motion carried.

Alderman Woods made a motion to Approve Ordinance #1638 Granting an Area-Bulk Variance for 302 South Main Street, Trenton, Illinois. Second Alderman Hooker, all yes, motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Brimm reviewed with the Council that during the budget talks for this year the awnings at the police station and here at City Hall were in need of replacement. A quote was obtained from Lawrence Fabric & Metal Structures. For three traditional style awnings at the police station the cost would be \$1575.00. At City Hall the rear awning would need to have a new frame, and the new awning on the front of the building would not have the scalloped edge like the current one. The cost for City Hall awnings would be \$1532.00 and be paid from TIF. This will appear on the next agenda for approval.

Mr. Brimm went on to discuss a new sign on the front of City Hall to identify the building. The previous sign on top of the building had rusted and become a safety hazard. Ron Deien with

Signs & Designs provided a quote for letter for the building with two different font styles. The council decided on the second option at a price of \$1317.50. At a later date options for lighting of the lettering will be brought to the Council for their approval. We would like to wait a bit to see what the Economic Advisory Committee recommends regarding a downtown street scape to keep in line with that plan. In the meantime, the public works department will sand and paint the support beams on the front of City Hall. This will appear on the next agenda for approval.

Micro Comm has sent to us for approval a maintenance agreement for the telemetry of the water system for this next year. The cost is \$2200.00, a slight increase over last year. This was put into the budget in the water fund this year. This will appear on the next agenda for approval.

CLOSED SESSION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Alderman Hooker informed Ms. Pritchett that he works with traffic engineers and he will ask them to see if they have any suggestions for her.

Alderman Hooker announced a Community Coordination Committee meeting for July 11, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. to discuss Chapter 28 of the code book.

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Hooker made a motion to adjourn. Second Alderman Zurliene, all yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Karen Buzzard, City Clerk