

TRENTON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING AUGUST 22, 2016

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Trenton City Council was called to order by Mayor Kyle Jones on Monday, August 22, 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, Mike Conley of the Trenton Sun, Officer Ryan Olier, Superintendent of Public Works Kurt Wehrle, Trenton Elementary Principal Angie Woll, Jim Rakers, Jeremy Rakers, and Jameson Rakers

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Jones congratulated Principal Angie Woll on being named the 2016 DARE Educator of the Year for the state of Illinois. Ms. Woll gave thanks to the Trenton Police Department for their ever presence at the school and Officer Weh for his outstanding job with the DARE program.

Mayor Jones read a proclamation from the Daughters of the American Revolution proclaiming September 17 through 23, 2016 as Constitution Week.

PUBLIC INPUT

COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS – MAYOR

Mayor Jones said that we have had periods of significant rain recently and there have been no calls to City Hall for back-up of sewer. We have made progress but there is more work to be done. The work that has been done has served us well.

COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS- ALDERMEN

Alderman Woods reported that a resident is having problems with a ground hog and wanted to know if we trapped. The City does have a couple of traps that, if available, can be picked up by residents and set them.

COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS – CITY STAFF

Clerk Buzzard reminded everyone that school is back in session so be aware of children on the streets. In addition, school busses will still stop at the railroad crossings even though that rail line is no longer active.

Superintendent Wehrle informed the Council of a water main break on N. Dates. In the process of fixing the water line a gas main was nicked and Ameren had to be called out to repair that before the water line repair could continue. Road oiling/chipping will take place on August 29 and September 13. Any roads along the Trentonfest parade route scheduled for this year will be done on August 29.

CONSENT AGENDA

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Alderman Hooker made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 8, 2016 Regular Council meeting. Second Alderman Woods, all yes, motion carried.

Alderman Hooker made a motion to Approve Ordinance #1642 Approving Agreement for Tax Increment Finance Proceeds (Hank's Bowl). Second Alderman Zurliene, all yes, motion carried.

Alderman Woods made a motion to Approve Façade Rebate for Top Ag Cooperative in an Amount not to Exceed \$5,953.00. Second Alderman Sims, all yes, motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Brimm informed the Council that currently the Wesclin Baseball/Softball teams store their equipment under the grandstand at the park, or outside in the elements. Superintendent of Public Works Wehrle has suggested to the school that they build a shed to store their equipment. The school is now ready to build and has been consulting with Superintendent Wehrle. The shed would be portable with no electricity and positioned adjacent to the VFW building in a fashion that would enable us to mow around it. It would have vinyl siding and a shingle roof. The Council had no problem with this construction.

Alderman Woods inquired on the status of the claim for damage to the roof of the pavilions at the park. Mr. Brimm has a meeting scheduled for tomorrow morning regarding that. Alderman Woods suggested the re-roofing of the pavilions and pool house be a small capital improvement project.

Mr. Brimm has received a request from a resident in the 500 block of W. Broadway to tap onto City sewer. There are currently five residents in that area not on City sewer. It would be possible to extend City sewer to this property. Our code states that if the City extends sewer to within a certain number of feet of a property owner not currently on City sewer, they may be required to tap on. After general discussion it was decided to take a gentle approach and query the other property owners to gauge interest. This is a project that could be done in-house and paid for with TIF or Small Capital Improvement Funds.

CLOSED SESSION

Alderman Hooker made a motion to enter into Closed Session citing 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1) Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance, or Dismissal of Specific Employees of the Public Body. Second Alderman Zurliene, all yes. The Council entered Closed Session at 7:15 P.M.

The Council re-entered the regular meeting at 7:50 P.M. Roll call: Hooker, Mohme, Sims, Woods, Zurliene all present.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Finance Committee met earlier tonight and they recommend moving forward with the Dollar General TIF. Mayor Jones said if anyone asks about the timeline on reconstruction, the City did not hold things up, we expedited them. The developer needed to get his financial things in order. They have requested \$300,000 in TIF assistance. The Finance committee has agreed to rebate \$81,000 up front for the acquisition of the additional land they want. An additional \$219,000 will be rebated over the remaining life of the TIF. The amount rebated per year is based on the increment created. This will be voted on at the next meeting.

Citizen for Trenton Tickets are on sale. The event is scheduled for October 15, 2016 at Aviston Legion. The cost is \$65 per couple. Please let Mr. Brimm know if you will be attending so that we can post this to meet OMA requirements.

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Woods made a motion to adjourn. Second Alderman Hooker all yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:59PM.

Karen Buzzard, City Clerk