

TRENTON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING AUGUST 27, 2018

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the City Council was called to order by Mayor Kyle Jones at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, August 27, 2018.

ROLL CALL

Hooker, Mohme, Sims, Weh, Woods, all present.

Also present were City Clerk Karen Buzzard, City Administrator Doug Brimm, Superintendent of Public Works Kurt Wehrle, Chief Chris Joellenbeck, Officer Joe Berry and the rest of the Trenton police department, Linda Evans, Mr. & Mrs. Kevin Wellen, and Mike Conley of the Trenton Sun.

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Jones read a proclamation declaring the week of September 17, 2018 as Constitution Week in Trenton.

BUSINESS PRIOR TO PUBLIC INPUT

Mayor Jones informed the Council that he has accepted the resignation of Lori Zurliene as Alderman Ward 2 and that he would like to appoint Jim Wagoner as her replacement. Alderman Mohme made a motion to Accept the Appointment of Jim Wagoner as Alderman Ward 2. Second Alderman Weh, all yes, motion carried. Clerk Buzzard administered the oath of office to Alderman Wagoner.

PUBLIC INPUT

Linda Evans addressed the Council about the cigarette butts outside of 7-West. She stated that there is no receptacle and if one was provided then the number of butts littering the ground may be reduced. She went on to say that the law will allow for the City to fine establishments that do not comply and that the City should require signage posted by establishments. Mayor Jones will have Chief Joellenbeck talk with the owner of 7-West.

Mr. and Mrs. Wellen questioned the status of the Zoning Code update. Mr. Brimm informed them that the whole code update first rough draft has been presented to the City and we have reviewed it. There are some items that need to be discussed with our attorney before sending back to Municode our answers to their questions. Mr. Brimm and Clerk Buzzard plan to meet with Attorney Heiligenstein this week to complete that step. Once our review is completed then Municode will send to us a fully updated code for the City's approval and ultimate adoption. Once adopted then Mr. Brimm would like for the Plan Commission to begin an overhaul of the zoning chapter. It was asked whether this process couldn't begin and run simultaneous to the code revision. Mr. Brimm sees the zoning code update being handled similarly to the full code with a request for proposal being sent out for consulting services. It was discussed further and Mr. Brimm was given the go ahead to start the process on the zoning code.

COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS – MAYOR

Mayor Jones announced that Trenton Fest is coming up soon.

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CONSENT AGENDA

Alderman Hooker made a motion to approve the Consent agenda as presented. Second Alderman Wagoner, all yes, motion carried. The consent agenda included a motion to Approve the Minutes of the August 13, 2018 Regular Council meeting, a motion to Approve Ordinance #1717 Amending the Official Comprehensive Plan of the City of Trenton, and a motion to Approve Resolution #20180827 (19 W Broadway).

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Alderman Woods made a motion to Appoint David Jordan to the Position of Patrolman for the Trenton Police Department. Second Alderman Hooker, all yes, motion carried. Clerk Buzzard then administered the oath to Patrolman Jordan.

Alderman Woods made a motion to Authorize Hand's Bowl to Serve Liquor Outside on September 29, 2018 until 10:00 pm. Second Alderman Hooker, all yes, motion carried.

Alderman Wagoner made a motion to Authorize Installation of Playground Equipment by Trenton Park Boosters in Trenton City Park. Second Alderman Weh, all yes, motion carried. This project will go forward with wood mulch and not the rubberized mulch previously discussed.

Mr. Brimm updated the Council on the situation with the daily service pumps at the wastewater treatment plant. The City has been working with HMG Engineering to determine the best solution. A request to have the faulty pumps returned to Grundfos, the supplier, and have a refund issued to the City was met with an offer to have the two pumps replaced and a third pump given to the City as a spare. Grundfos, in their response to our request, admitted to fault with their pumps. The cost of the Grundfos pumps was \$15,050.00 per the bid specs. There was concern that accepting this option would put the City in the situation where these pumps will fail in the future and we will have no recourse. Superintendent of Public Works Wehrle would like to see these pumps replaced with Flygt pumps. The cost of two of the Flygt pumps is \$39,450.00. If there was ever an issue with a Flygt pump it could be serviced in St. Louis. We are still waiting on an exact amount of a refund from Grundfos. After that a decision will be made.

NEW BUSINESS

Top Ag Cooperative is planning a significant expansion of the Trenton facility. They are in negotiations right now for more ground from an adjacent property owner. Mr. Brimm would like to present to the Council for review at the September 10th meeting an inducement resolution which would allow Top Ag the ability to recapture some of the engineering, site work and ground purchase costs. Top Ag plans to move their fertilizer operations to Trenton.

Mr. Brimm informed the Council that the Zoning Hearing Officer will hold a hearing on Monday, September 10, 2018 prior to the Council meeting to hear a variance request from Kevin Huelsmann for erection of a structure that would not meet the setback requirements.

The City will also be moving forward on a sewer project along S. King Oak Street. A new sanitary sewer line will be installed running from the Dollar General lift station south about 1000 feet. This will pick up the Perm-A-Green and Car Chem properties and be in place should any of the Schumacher ground develop in the future. HMG Engineering's opinion of probable cost for this project is \$59,200.00. Much of the work will be done by the public works department and is estimated to cost closer to \$18,000.00. Mayor Jones asked Superintendent Wehrle where this fits into his timeline. Superintendent Wehrle said that this would be a 10 day project and also said that there are no utilities in the way of digging. Mr. Brimm informed the Council that this is a TIF eligible project.

Mayor Jones said that the new water rates have been in place for a couple of months now and he would like for Mr. Brimm and Clerk Buzzard to update the Council on the status of the water fund. Superintendent Wehrle said that 72 water meters have been replaced since May of this year.

CLOSED SESSION

Alderman Hooker 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 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5) Purchase or Lease of Real Property for the Use of the Public Body. Second Alderman Mohme, all yes, motion carried. The Council entered closed session at 7:53 p.m.

The Council re-entered the regular meeting at 8:12 p.m.

Roll Call: Hooker, Mohme, Sims, Weh, Woods, Wagoner. All present.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Jones informed the Council of a meeting earlier tonight with Eagle Scout candidate Kyle Elmore regarding his project for the basketball court at the park. Superintendent Wehrle has committed the City for tear out of the old concrete and use of the City's forms for the new concrete. Mayor Jones said that the City would be willing to commit up to 50% of the total project cost with a not to exceed amount of \$10,000.00. This would still need Council approval. Small Capital Improvement and Recreation funds could be used. Alderman Weh questioned

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Hooker made a motion to adjourn. Second Alderman Weh, all yes motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

Karen Buzzard, City Clerk