

TRENTON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING DECEMBER 26, 2017

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Trenton City Council was called to order by Mayor Kyle Jones on Tuesday, December 26, 2017 at 7:10 p.m. at City Hall.

ROLL CALL

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

Also present were City Clerk Karen Buzzard, City Administrator Doug Brimm, Superintendent of Public Works Kurt Wehrle, Chief Chris Joellenbeck, Attorney Joe Heiligenstein, Officer Joe Berry, Sarah Tebbe with HMG Engineering and Mike Conley.

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS

Sarah Tebbe with HMG Engineering gave the Council an update on the wastewater treatment plant. The plant has reached substantial completion as of last Wednesday. Sarah has requested that the retained amounts be reduced to 5%. Korte Luitjohan has been presented with a punch list of items that still need to be addressed. Superintendent Wehrle will be notified when subcontractors come on site to address those items. The project close out will take place after the fence is up later this spring. The manufacturer of the MBBR has been notified that the plant is up and running and usually 14 – 30 days after start-up will come out to follow up and make sure everything is running properly. Sarah confirmed that this project is ahead of schedule and under budget.

PUBLIC INPUT

Alderman Andrew Sims entered the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS – MAYOR

Mayor Jones hoped everyone had a good holiday and enjoyed our white Christmas. He wished everyone a safe and Happy New Year.

COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS- ALDERMEN

COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS – CITY STAFF

Chief Joellenbeck said with the cold weather to be cautious when leaving your car running.

Mr. Brimm has scheduled a Plan Commission meeting for January 11, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. to hear a special use request for multi-family dwelling at 19 S. Main, and to review a plat for a 4 lot subdivision submitted by David Meyer.

CONSENT AGENDA

Alderman Hooker made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Second Alderman Woods. Roll call: Jones, yes, Hooker, yes, Mohme, absent, Sims, yes, Weh, yes, Woods, yes, Zurliene, absent. Motion carried. The Consent Agenda included the minutes of the December 11, 2017 Regular Council meeting and the December 20, 2017 Finance committee meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Alderman Hooker made a motion to Approve Change Order No.4 for Wastewater Treatment Plant. Second Alderman Woods, all yes, Mohme and Zurliene absent.

Alderman Hooker made a motion to Approve Ordinance #1697 Adopting a Policy Prohibiting Sexual Harassment for the City of Trenton. Second Alderman Woods, all yes, Mohme and Zurliene absent. Motion carried.

Alderman Woods made a motion to Approve Ordinance #1698 Approving an Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement Between the City of Trenton and Sugar Creek Township Providing for Any and All Road Maintenance. Second Alderman Weh, all yes, Mohme and Zurliene absent. Motion carried.

Alderman Woods made a motion to Award Bid for Re-Codification Services to Municode. Second Alderman Weh, all yes, Mohme and Zurliene absent. Motion carried.

Alderman Hooker made a motion to Approve the Purchase of Materials for Northgate Sewer Extension Project from Core & Main in the amount of \$13,705.18 to be paid from the Infrastructure Fund. Second Alderman Woods, all yes, Mohme and Zurliene absent. Motion carried.

Alderman Woods made a motion to Approve the Purchase of Materials for Northgate Water Extension Project from Core & Main in the amount of \$16,698.00 to be paid from the Infrastructure Fund. Second Alderman Hooker, all yes, Mohme and Zurliene absent. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Brimm said that the discussion of the 2018 Motor Fuel Tax Program will take place at a January meeting.

Mr. Brimm informed the Council that replacement of water meters was discussed at length at the Finance Committee meeting. Staff was tasked with presenting options. There was more discussion about the homes that have meters still inside the basement. The City would like to have all of those meters relocated outside. The new meters have backflow preventers on them which is required by EPA. This necessitates an expansion tank on the hot water heater to prevent buildup of pressure. Superintendent Wehrle has made inquiries into pricing of the expansion tanks but no one has gotten back with him. There was a suggestion that the City get bids to hire someone to install these tanks. Concern over the liability on the City was brought up. Attorney Heiligenstein stated the City shouldn't get involved with hiring or installation. They can inform the residents of what is required and if available help them with pricing information. He will look into this further. It was again suggested that we amend our code so that any time plumbing work is done a permit will be necessary. This would also require that when a homeowner replaces their water heater it is replaced with one that has the expansion tank. This will be discussed further. There was discussion about what part of a service line the resident is responsible for. Mr. Brimm read directly from our code 38-3-6 which states the resident is responsible from the property line in to the house.

Mr. Brimm discussed with the Council Task Order No. 13 from HMG Engineering for the concession stand structural repairs. The task order would cover HMG providing details for strengthening the dugout and supporting the press box, assisting the City with collection of proposals, and construction guidance. The total of the task order is not to exceed \$3,000.00. Mr. Brimm said that the ballpark figure for repairs is \$10,000.00 - \$12,000.00. The alternative is to demolish the structure and rebuild. If the City goes that route then there will be no dug out/concession stand for this season, there just won't be time. It was decided to put the task order on the next agenda for approval. This can be paid from the Capital Improvement fund. We will

see what the engineers come up with and there is a strong possibility that our public works department may be able to complete the repairs.

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 and 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21) Semi-Annual Review of Closed Session Minutes. Second Alderman Woods, all yes, Mohme and Zurliene absent. The Council entered closed session at 8:15 p.m.

The Council re-entered the regular meeting at 8:26 p.m.

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

BUSINESS AFTER CLOSED SESSION

Alderman Hooker made a motion to Approve Closed Session minutes from 3/13/17 through 10/9/17. Second Alderman Woods, all yes, Mohme and Zurliene absent. Motion carried.

Alderman Hooker made a motion to Approve Resolution #12262017 Releasing Certain Closed Session Minutes. Second Alderman Woods, all yes, Mohme and Zurliene absent. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Jones wished everyone a Safe and Happy New Year.

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Hooker made a motion to adjourn. Second Alderman Woods, all yes, Mohme and Zurliene absent. Meeting adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

Karen Buzzard, City Clerk