

TRENTON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING OCTOBER 28, 2019

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, October 28, 2019.

ROLL CALL

Deien, Kniepman, Mohme. Sims, Weh, Woods All present.

Also present were City Administrator John Marquart, Superintendent of Public Works Kurt Wehrle, Police Chief Chris Joellenbeck, Attorney Joe Heiligenstein, Treasurer Joe Palas, Mitchell Braun, Doug Ratermann of HMG Engineering and Mike Conley of the Trenton Sun.

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS

PUBLIC INPUT

COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS – MAYOR

Mayor Jones discussed with the Council an e-mail from the park boosters received by Superintendent Wehrle about the completion of Eagle Scout Elmore's Eagle Scout project. The boosters want answers on when the basketball court will be caulked. They do not want the concrete to crack with the cold temperatures this winter. There was a lengthy discussion about the total cost of this project and how the costs ballooned beyond what the City and the boosters committed. Superintendent Wehrle assured everyone that moving the court from the original location to the current location had nothing to do with the additional cost. There was a culvert installed to aid in drainage which the City paid for and the cost of caulking and striping has yet to be paid for. Mayor Jones is not in favor of the City doing the striping. If any of the lines is even the slightest bit off it will be our fault. Staff was tasked with getting more detailed numbers for this project and bringing that back to the Council.

COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS- ALDERMEN

Alderman Deien asked about a street sign that needs to be replaced at Broadway and N. Cottonwood. City Administrator Marquart said this would be part of a larger project to replace all of the street signs in town. Currently they do not meet size and reflectivity compliance.

Alderman Woods said that he was approached by someone from Ameren about an incentive program that Ameren has that would assist with replacement of all of the lights in the park with LED lights. Administrator Marquart said that he is aware of those programs and that we might have missed the window for the 2019 awards. We will look at this for the 2020 cycle of awards. Mayor Jones also mentioned that we are in the preliminary stages of considering solar for our public buildings.

Trick or Treat hours will be from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. on Halloween night.

Alderman Weh questioned the location of the shed in the left field parking area of diamond #1 in the park. He understands that the specs for the type of shed changed from what the Council had approved and what was installed. Staff will look at some possible new locations for the shed.

COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS – CITY STAFF

Clerk Buzzard reminded the Council that the next meeting will be on Tuesday, November 12, 2019 due to Monday being a holiday. At that meeting we will have the audit presentation from Kevin Tepen with C.J. Scholsser & Company.

Chief Joellenbeck reminded everyone to be on the lookout on Halloween for kids. Also, the Chamber of Commerce will be hosting the Business Trick or Treat from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. One of the new Tahoe's ran over a bolt and the tire needs to be replaced. Deien quoted just over \$500 for a set. He is going to check to see that is government pricing.

Superintendent Wehrle stated that Litteken Electric checked all of the lift stations today and pulled pump #2 from the Dollar General lift station due to a clog. One pump at the Deien lift station is leaking at a seal and it was swapped with a spare that we had on hand. That pump will be sent out for repair.

Attorney Heiligenstein has not heard any updates on our lawsuit with Tri Township. The Knopp property has had some minor activity lately with some painting going on.

City Administrator Marquart said that he would have the resolution for adoption of the ICMA 457 plan for approval at the next agenda.

He will also begin the discussion of recreational cannabis at the next meeting. He has some information from Illinois Municipal League and some other sources that he will present.

CONSENT AGENDA

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Alderman Woods made a motion to Approve the Minutes of the October 14, 2019 Regular Council Meeting. Second Alderman Weh, all yes. Motion carried.

Alderman Deien made a motion to Approve the Purchase of Five (5) Streamlight TLR-1 HL Weapon Mounted Flashlight and mounts in an amount of \$860.75. Second Alderman Mohme, all yes. Motion carried.

Alderman Woods made a motion to Approve the Purchase of Shelter Logic portable shelter in the amount of \$2,400.00 plus associated shipping. Second Alderman Kniepman, all yes. Motion carried.

Alderman Woods made a motion to Award Bid for South King Oak Intersection Reconstruction to Stutz Excavating, Inc. in the amount of \$115,990.00 to be paid from the TIF Fund. Second Alderman Kniepman. Doug Ratermann of HMG Engineering informed the Council that only two bids were submitted for this project. Stutz wants to move on this project before the snow flies and they have already submitted drainage plans to HMG. The intersection will be closed for a month and it will appear that nothing is going on but this is necessary to allow the concrete to cure. Detour signs will be posted as this involves an IDOT road. All yes. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

CLOSED SESSION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Woods made a motion to adjourn. Second Alderman Deien. All yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Karen Buzzard, City Clerk