

TRENTON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING May 10, 2021

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, May 10, 2021 followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

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

Also present were City Administrator John Marquart, Mike Conley, Mark Brown, Joe Berry, Officer Hill, and numerous members of the public.

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS

BUSINESS PRIOR TO PUBLIC INPUT

- 1) Mayor Jones opened a Public Hearing on Adoption of Budget for the City of Trenton for the fiscal year commencing May 1, 2021 and ending April 30, 2022.
 - a) The public hearing was opened at 7:00 p.m.
 - b) City Administrator Marquart stated the budget was more than balanced and provided a surplus. He outlined the projects included in the budget.
 - c) There was no public that wished to speak on the budget.
 - d) Alderman Woods made a motion to adjourn the public hearing. Second Alderman Weh. All yes, hearing adjourned.

PUBLIC INPUT

COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS – MAYOR

Mayor Jones informed the Council that the City has no official bond rating. He reached out to a financial advisor for an independent review of our financials without actually going into the market. The City was given an indicative rating of higher than A, which is very good news. This is just a snapshot in time, but the citizens of Trenton can be proud of the financial health of the City.

COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS- ALDERMEN

Alderman Woods thanked the City staff for making the City run as smoothly as they do, and for making the job of the Council easier. He is glad that Mayor Jones asked him to fill a position on the Council years ago and more people should do it. This is a fabulous city. Alderman Sims seconded everything that Alderman Woods said. He has lived here his whole life and has a vested interest in Trenton. Other towns are envious of our fiscal situation.

COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS – CITY STAFF

CONSENT AGENDA

Alderman Deien made a motion to Approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Second Alderman Weh. All yes, motion carried. The consent agenda included a motion to approve the minutes of the April 26, 2021 Regular Council meeting, a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report for March 2021, a motion to approve the Bills for April 2021, and a motion to approve the Payrolls for April 2021.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Alderman Woods made a motion to Approve Ordinance #1781 Establishing Budget for FY2022. Second Alderman Sims. All yes, motion carried.

Alderman Woods made a motion to Approve Payoff of Land Purchase Loan with Community Bank in the amount of \$33,232.01. Second Alderman Deien. All yes, motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION

SWEARING IN OF MAYOR, NEWLY ELECTED ALDERMEN

Mayor Jones made some final remarks thanking his wife and family for their support through the years. He also thanked all the city employees. He commented that he was surprised that he acquired some new friends through this journey. Mayor Jones presented plaques to outgoing Aldermen Woods and Sims. A plaque was presented to Mayor Jones.

Clerk Buzzard swore in newly elected Mayor Andrew Weh. She then swore in the newly elected Aldermen, James Deien, Mark Brown, and Joseph Berry. The new Mayor and Council took their seats on the dais.

Mayor Weh welcomed the guests, family, friends, and his wife. He thanked former Mayor Jones for making the transition seamless and thanked him for his dedication and leadership. It will be tough to follow. Mayor Weh thanked the citizens for the opportunity to serve. He went on to say that now is the time to work together and by doing that we can make Trenton a perennial powerhouse. He congratulated the Council members for volunteering and thanked the city staff for the hard work they do on a daily basis. Mayor Weh said that he is humbled and excited and will get started first thing tomorrow.

Roll Call: Berry, Brown, Deien, Kniepman, Mohme. All present.

NEW BUSINESS

Alderman Brown made a motion to Accept the Appointment of Joe Heiligenstein as Legal Council for the City of Trenton. Second Alderman Mohme. All yes, motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Mohme made a motion to adjourn. Second Alderman Brown. All yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Karen Buzzard, City Clerk