

TRENTON CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING June 14, 2021

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

The Regular Meeting of the City Council was called to order by Mayor Andy Weh at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, June 14, 2021, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL**

Berry, Brown, Deien, Kniepman, Mohme All present

Also present were City Administrator John Marquart, Mike Conley, Chief Joellenbeck, Officer Lampe, Stephanie Koerber, and members of the public.

**PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS**

**PUBLIC INPUT**

Mr. Woodall spoke in favor of Chief Joellenbeck's appointment.

**COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS – MAYOR**

Mayor Weh commented on the wonderful weekend. The Park Boosters hosted the Booster Bash with 75+ girl's softball teams competing here and in New Baden. Thank you to Aaron Hoerchler, Brian Kuhl, Paul Elsing, Phil Schmitt, Brent Woods, and City workers. This was a team effort. Thank you to New Baden Park Boosters for stepping up when we needed more diamonds. This event is a win/win for the communities too. A big thank you to all the volunteers too.

Mayor Weh announced Ameren's summer rates at .04923 and the aggregation rate for our residents that participate is .0429. Our aggregation contract was just renewed, and this rate will stay in effect through 2022. This is a good deal for our residents taking advantage of the aggregation program.

Mayor Weh has chosen the following for his committees.

In addition, he named Alderman Mohme as Mayor Pro Tem and Alderman Deien as alternate Mayor Pro Tem.

	<b>CHAIR</b>	<b>MEMEBERS</b>	
<b>FINANCE</b>	Mohme	Deien	Kniepman
<b>PUBLIC WORKS</b>	Kniepman	Brown	Berry
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY</b>	Deien	Berry	Sampson
<b>COMMUNITY COORD.</b>	Berry	Kniepman	Mohme
<b>PLAN &amp; ECON DEV.</b>	Sampson	Mohme	Brown
<b>PERSONNEL</b>	Brown	Sampson	Deien

**COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS- ALDERMEN**

Alderman Berry thanked the Council for their good work at the last meeting. He has a strong motivation to work together. He went on to say that he will make no decision with a grudge, he is here for the benefit of the citizens, and will support factual decision making. He also asked that when the Council enters closed session that we empty not just the Council chambers but the whole building. The doors are not soundproof, and discussion can be heard outside the room.

Alderman Brown also thanked the Park Boosters for a great job on the Booster Bash.

### **COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS – CITY STAFF**

City Administrator Marquart informed the Council that the handicap swing at the park has been taken down because it has been vandalized. Once it has been repaired it will be put back up. He also went on to say the Aldermen will not be receiving his weekly update for the next two Fridays, he will be on vacation.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Alderman Brown made a motion to Approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Second Alderman Deien. All yes, motion carried. The consent agenda included the minutes of the May 24, 2021, Regular Council meeting, the Treasurer's Report for April 2021, Bills for May 2021, and Payrolls for May 2021.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Alderman Deien made a motion to Approve Ordinance #1782 Declaring 1992 Komatsu Excavator and 1991 Ford 700 Dump Truck as Surplus Property. Second Alderman Mohme. Alderman Brown asked why the excavator was being declared surplus. City Administrator Marquart said it was way too big for work in Trenton. We are still waiting on our ARP funds and those funds will be used to purchase new equipment. All yes, motion carried.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

### **CLOSED SESSION**

Alderman Brown made a motion to enter 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)(6) Sales or Lease of Property Owned by the Public Body. Second Alderman Deien, all yes. Motion carried. The Council entered closed session at 7:19 p.m.

The Council re-entered the regular meeting at 7:55 p.m.

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

### **ACTION AFTER CLOSED SESSION**

Alderman Brown made a motion to Approve Appointment and Employment Contract of Chris Joellenbeck as Chief of Police. Second Alderman Sampson. Roll Call: Berry, yes, Brown, yes, Deien, yes, Kniepman, no, Mohme, yes, Sampson, yes. Motion carried.

Alderman Mohme made a motion to Approve the Appointment and Employment Contract of Andy Brockhahn as Superintendent of Public Works. Second Alderman Deien. All yes, motion carried.

Alderman Mohme made a motion to Approve Resolution 20210510 Approving Contract for Sale of Property at 202 E Broadway, Trenton, IL to Koerber Corp. for the amount of \$36,000.00. Second Alderman Sampson. All yes, motion carried.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Alderman Brown made a motion to adjourn. Second Alderman Deien. All yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:58 pm.

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Karen Buzzard, City Clerk