

TRENTON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 28, 2022

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, February 28, 2022, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Berry, Brown, Deien, Kniepman (absent), Mohme, Sampson All present

Also present was City Administrator John Marquart, Chief Chris Joellenbeck, Superintendent of Public Works Andy Brockhahn, Attorney Joe Heiligenstein, James Arndt, Christine Orr, Officer Hill, and Mike Conley of the Trenton Sun

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS

James Arndt of Arndt Municipal Support gave a presentation of the Strategic Plan developed resulting from the planning session he held on January 26, 2022. He informed the Council this is a plan for the City of Trenton mapping our next three years. He laid out the six goals that were identified, persons to champion those goals, and accountability measures for meeting those goals.

PUBLIC INPUT

COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS – MAYOR

Mayor Weh wished Superintendent Brockhahn a Happy Birthday.

COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS- ALDERMEN

Alderman Brown was contacted over the weekend by a resident commenting on how well public works has handled the recent episodes of bad weather we have experienced.

COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS – CITY STAFF

Chief Joellenbeck said one of the Tahoes is in and will be lettered tomorrow.

City Administrator Marquart reminded everyone of the COVID booster event at St. Mary's Parish Center on March 3, 2022.

Saturday, March 12, 2022, will be the park clean up date.

Two of the goals identified in the Strategic Plan have already had work begun on them. Christine Orr with Illinois South Tourism has met with City Administrator Marquart on the new logo and branding of Trenton, and Steve Hooker from the Plan Commission has traded e-mails with Mr. Marquart. Next Mr. Marquart would like to interview Mike Conley and send copies of the Strategic Plan to the Chamber of Commerce and various businesses, so they have an idea of the City's goals. A follow-up planning session should be scheduled for 10-12 months out.

CONSENT AGENDA

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Alderman Brown made a motion to Approve Minutes of the February 14, 2022, Regular Council Meeting. Second Alderman Deien. All yes, Kniepman absent. Motion carried.

Alderman Brown made a motion to Approve Resolution #20220228 Authorizing FY23 Motor Fuel Tax (MFT) Program in an amount of \$305,000.00. Second Alderman Sampson. All yes, Kniepman absent. Motion carried

NEW BUSINESS

CLOSED SESSION

Alderman Mohme made a motion to enter Closed Session for 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11) Pending or Probable Litigation and 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2) Collective Bargaining. Second Alderman Brown. All yes, Kniepman absent. Motion carried. Council entered closed session at 7:23 p.m.

Council re-entered the regular meeting at 7:50 p.m. Roll Call: Sampson, Berry, Brown, Deien, Mohme, Kniepman (absent).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Deien made a motion to adjourn. Second Alderman Brown. All yes, Kniepman absent. The meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Karen Buzzard, City Clerk