

TRENTON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
March 14, 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, March 14, 2022, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Berry, Brown, Deien, Kniepman, Mohme, Sampson All present

Also present was City Administrator John Marquart, Chief Chris Joellenbeck, Superintendent of Public Works Andy Brockhahn, Officer Hill, and Mike Conley of the Trenton Sun

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS

PUBLIC INPUT

COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS – MAYOR

Mayor Weh asked for a moment of silence for those in Ukraine.

COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS- ALDERMEN

Alderman Mohme questioned why we weren't purchasing both Tahoes this fiscal year. City Administrator Marquart stated that one of the vehicles was approved for purchase this fiscal year. The second was discussed, but not knowing when it would be delivered it was put into next year's capital budget. In fiscal year 2023 there will be no additional vehicle ordered, purchased, or delivered for the police department.

Alderman Mohme then asked when the budget would be discussed. City Administrator Marquart said that he would be e-mailing out to the aldermen this week. He will also be sending out options for water and sewer rate increases.

Alderman Brown thanked Superintendent Brockhahn and his crew for taking care of a road issue for a resident so quickly.

COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS – CITY STAFF

Superintendent of Public Works Brockhahn said that asphalt plants are opening up so his crew will be patching roads.

City Administrator Marquart said that Megan Donjon has been hired to fill the vacancy at City Hall and will start on March 23, 2022.

Mr. Marquart has gotten inquiries about video cafes. Currently our code of ordinances does not allow for this type of establishment. Council discussed it and are open to exploring the changes necessary in our liquor code to allow for this.

Mr. Marquart met with the Trenton Garden Club and they have presented a suggested landscape for the city parking lot. The plan was passed around the table. The Garden Club is not interested in purchasing, planting or maintaining the landscape, that would be wholly the City's responsibility.

CONSENT AGENDA

Alderman Deien made a motion to Approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Second Alderman Brown. All yes, motion carried. The Consent Agenda included the minutes of the February 28,

2022 Regular Council meeting, the bills for the month of February, 2022, the payrolls for the month of February, 2022, and the Treasurer's Report for the month of January, 2022.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Alderman Brown made a motion to Approve Ordinance #1792 Declaring Surplus and Authorizing the Sale of 2012 Chevrolet Impala. Second Alderman Deien. All yes, motion carried.

Alderman Brown made a motion to Approve Change Order #3 for Litteken Construction in the amount of \$8,451.65. Second Alderman Sampson. All yes, motion carried.

Alderman Sampson made a motion to Award Bid for Pool Plumbing Repair, and Authorize Execution of Contract to Gerstner Plumbing in the amount of \$74,500.00. Second Alderman Brown. All yes, motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

CLOSED SESSION

Alderman Brown made a motion to enter Closed Session for 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2) Collective Bargaining. Second Alderman Deien. All yes, motion carried. Council entered closed session at 7:23 p.m.

Council re-entered the regular meeting at 7:27 p.m. Roll Call: Sampson, Berry, Brown, Deien, Mohme, Kniepman. All present.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Kniepman made a motion to adjourn. Second Alderman Brown. All yes, Kniepman absent. The meeting adjourned at 7:28 pm.

Karen Buzzard, City Clerk