

TRENTON CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
May 9, 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, May 9, 2022, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL**

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

Also present was City Administrator John Marquart, Chief Chris Joellenbeck, Officer Lampe, and Mike Conley of the Trenton Sun

**PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS**

City Administrator John Marquart read for the Mayor a proclamation declaring May 2022 Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Month in Trenton.

**PUBLIC INPUT**

**COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS – MAYOR**

Mayor Weh said this past weekend was busy in Trenton and extended compliments to the Trenton Garden Club on another successful plant sale. The Chamber of Commerce sold out of everything at their annual BBQ. The cooks did a great job. Thank you to all that came out to support the Chamber. It was a pleasure to see the park filled tonight with ball games in the park.

**COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS- ALDERMEN**

Alderman Brown had a resident ask if the City would consider lining the tennis court so that pickle ball could be played there. Mayor Weh said that idea has already been discussed, and the slab of concrete that was formerly the basketball court is being considered for pickle ball. Administrator Marquart said that a price quote of \$30,000 - \$35,000 was given to convert that site, and that he read that American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds could be used for that purpose.

Alderman Deien asked if the city needed to coordinate with IDOT to fill the potholes that border US Route 50, especially at Oak and Walnut. Administrator Marquart will look into it.

**COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS – CITY STAFF**

Chief Joellenbeck said that the DARE trailer has been repaired by Bud's trailer at no cost to the City. The repairs, which totaled \$460.00, were a donation. Chief Joellenbeck introduced officer candidate Nick Krummrich and gave a brief bio of him. Mr. Krummrich then answered questions from the council.

City Administrator Marquart informed the Council that the vacuum truck from Lebanon will be here tomorrow to clean the muck from the pool. Public works will then power wash and begin to fill the pool. A spare pump for the pool is needed and approval for that purchase will be on the next agenda.

City Administrator Marquart previously sent to Council a link to inventory of trees in the city park prepared by Roots Stump Grinding. The estimate for work in the park is just over \$16,000.00 and can be paid over two years. If the city assists with removal of trees that cost can be reduced by almost \$4,000.00.

The area of N Jefferson and N Adams near 4<sup>th</sup> street can be considered the bottom of a bowl with the sanitary sewer for that whole area collecting there and then draining behind the elementary school and on down to the wastewater treatment plant. There have been issues in that area for a long time and although the city has taken efforts to reduce those problems, they have not been eliminated. We believe there are cross connections in that area and would like to smoke test to find those infiltrations into the sanitary sewers. The cost to complete the smoke testing is estimated at \$12,000.00.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Alderman Deien made a motion to Approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Second Alderman Brown. All yes, Mohme absent. Motion carried. The Consent Agenda included the minutes of the April 25, 2022, Regular Council meeting, the bills for the month of April 2022, the payrolls for the month of April, 2022, and the Treasurer's Report for the month of March, 2022.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Alderman Brown made a motion to Award bid and execute contract for FY2023 MFT to Rooters Asphalt in the amount of \$172,610.52 with \$31,363.33 paid from TIF funds and \$141,247.52 paid from MFT funds. Second Alderman Sampson. All yes, Mohme absent. Motion carried.

Alderman Deien made a motion to Approve Ordinance #1797 Authorizing Sale of Surplus Property, 2014 Chevrolet Tahoe. Second Alderman Brown. All yes, Mohme absent. Motion carried.

#### **CLOSED SESSION**

Alderman Kniepman made a motion to enter Closed Session citing 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(4) Pending or Probable Litigation. Second Alderman Sampson. All yes, Mohme absent. Motion carried. The Council entered closed session at 7:22 p.m.

The Council re-entered the regular meeting at 7:30 p.m.

#### **BUSINESS AFTER CLOSED SESSION**

Alderman Brown made a motion to Approve Resolution 20220509 Approving Intergovernmental Agreement Between City of Trenton and Tri-Township Water District. Second Alderman Sampson. All yes, Mohme absent. Motion carried.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Alderman Deien made a motion to adjourn. Second Alderman Berry. All yes, Mohme absent. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:31 pm.

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Karen Buzzard, City Clerk