

TRENTON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
August 8, 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, August 8, 2022, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

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

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

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS

PUBLIC INPUT

Christy Picard passed out to Council a business proposal for her proposed gaming parlor at 2 W Broadway. She reviewed the proposal and answered questions.

COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS – MAYOR

Mayor Weh thanked his committee for the American Legion Junior State Tournament. The tournament was an overwhelming success due in part to the efforts of all committee members and sponsors.

Mayor Weh said that he is sure everyone has seen the press release from Ameren. They will be replacing our street lights with high efficiency LED lights. This will be a great enhancement to the city. Alderman Brown stated that Ameren is marking poles that have already been converted to LED. This project is expected to be completed in the next couple of weeks.

COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS- ALDERMEN

Alderman Brown thanked the police department for their presence in his neighborhood. Traffic has slowed, and people are stopping at the stop signs. He also has been asking for opinions about allowing chickens. He said the response is split. Those in favor of chickens being allowed also happen to have gardens.

Alderman Sampson thanked City Administrator Marquart for the rezoning of a duplex. Administrator Marquart said that is not yet completed.

Alderman Mohme called a finance committee meeting for next Monday at 7:00 p.m. to discuss the capital improvement fund breakout. He asked for an updated list of the capital improvement projects. City Administrator Marquart is working on updating that.

COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS – CITY STAFF

Superintendent Brockhahn said that curbing was being poured today at Jefferson and Adams. A water leak on W 4th street was fixed, and road patching is being done when they are making asphalt mix.

Chief Joellenbeck reminded everyone to lock their cars.

City Administrator Marquart said that crosswalks are being painted prior to school opening.

CONSENT AGENDA

Alderman Sampson made a motion to Approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Second Alderman Brown. All yes, Deien absent. Motion carried. The consent agenda included a motion to approve the Minutes of the July 25, 2022 Regular Council Meeting, a motion to Approve the June 2022 Treasurer's Report, a motion to Approve July 2022 Bills, and a motion to Approve the July 2022 Payrolls.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Alderman Brown made a motion to Allow Liquor Sales in the Trenton City Park on August 19 & 20, 2022 for Trenton Fest until 12:30 a.m. Second Alderman Kniepman. All yes, Deien absent. Motion carried.

Alderman Brown made a motion to Approve Ordinance #1801 Granting Special Use Permit at 1140 E Broadway. Second Alderman Sampson. All yes, Deien absent. Motion carried.

Alderman Mohme made a motion to Approve Ordinance #1802 Granting Special Use Permit at 1 W Broadway. Second Alderman Brown. All no, Deien absent. Motion failed.

Alderman Berry made a motion to Approve Ordinance #1803 Granting Special Use Permit at 2 W Broadway. Second Alderman Brown. All yes, Deien absent. Motion carried.

Alderman Brown made a motion to Approve Ordinance #1804 Granting Multiple Variances at 305 W Broadway. Second Alderman Kniepman. All yes, Deien absent. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION

Alderman Brown made a motion to enter closed session for 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21) Review of Closed Session Minutes. Second Alderman Kniepman. All yes, Deien absent. Motion carried. Council entered closed session at 7:22 p.m.

Council re-entered the regular meeting at 7:29 p.m. Roll Call: Kniepman, Sampson, Berry, Brown, Mohme, Deien (absent).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Brown made a motion to adjourn. Second Alderman Kniepman. All yes, Deien absent. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Karen Buzzard, City Clerk