

TRENTON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
September 12, 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, September 12, 2022, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

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

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

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS

PUBLIC INPUT

COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS – MAYOR

Mayor Weh announced that this Friday and Saturday the Knights of Columbus will be collecting at the four way stops in Trenton and Lebanon. It is their annual Tootsie Roll Drive.

COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS- ALDERMEN

Alderman Sampson informed everyone that the Harvest Hop 5 K will not take place this year. There is not enough support.

Alderman Mohme asked Administrator Marquart why the Capital Improvement fund breakout was not on the agenda tonight. Mr. Marquart said this is not a time sensitive issue due to the fact that it won't happen until the first of next fiscal year. It will be on the next agenda.

Alderman Mohme asked Administrator Marquart why the new water tower was not on the agenda tonight for discussion. Mr. Marquart said that when he gets back from Chicago he plans to meet with the engineer. Currently there is not enough information to share with Council. It will be on the next agenda.

Alderman Mohme asked about the bid specs for the baby pool and filter. Is the filter for the baby pool only, or the whole filtration system that was discussed at an earlier meeting? City Administrator Marquart said this is for the baby pool only. It is estimated that the whole baby pool project will be about \$35,000.00.

Alderman Mohme asked about the status of the downtown project. City Administrator Marquart has not discussed this with the engineer yet. They are currently working on our ITEP grant application and working with other clients. When asked which engineering firm was being use, Mr. Marquart said TWM. HMG engineered the first grant application that was denied, TWM engineered the second grant that was denied. It is Administrator Marquart's personal preference to use TWM to engineer this again. There was a lengthy discussion about the money spent engineering the same things over and what standard engineering fees are. Mr. Marquart stated that IDOT approves all engineering hourly rates.

COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS – CITY STAFF

Administrator Marquart said that smoke testing will begin in about 2 weeks. Next week the storm sewer in Wildwood Estates will be videoed. Approximately 1800 linear feet will be televised at a cost of \$2500.00.

The Clinton County Car Club will host a car show on October 7, 2022 in the city parking lot. This will be from 5:00 pm to 9:0 pm.

CONSENT AGENDA

Alderman Deien made a motion to Approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Second Alderman Berry. All yes, Brown absent. Motion carried. The consent agenda included a motion to approve the minutes of the August 22, 2022 Regular Council meeting, a motion to approve the July 2022 Treasurer's report, a motion to approve the August 2022 bills and a motion to approve the August 2022 payrolls.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Alderman Sampson made a motion to Approve Purchase of four (4) Tasers and 32 cartridges from Axon Enterprises in the amount of \$11,026.40. Second Alderman Kniepman. All yes, Brown absent. Motion carried. This will not be paid over 5 years like the proposal says. City Administrator Marquart said that it will be paid all at once. When asked where this is to be paid from he initially said the Capital Improvement fund. After more discussion Administrator Marquart said he would decide where to pay this from at a later date.

Alderman Sampson made a motion to Approve Contract with TWM Engineering for design, engineering and topographical services related to the OSLAD grant for construction of a new concession stand and restroom in the City of Trenton park in the amount of \$37,000.00. Second Alderman Kniepman. All yes, Brown absent. Motion carried. When asked when this project will go out on bid, Administrator Marquart said spring of 2023. This will be paid from the Capital Improvement fund.

Alderman Mohme made a motion to Approve Ordinance 1805 Establishing Municipal Tree Controls. Second Alderman Deien. All yes, Brown absent. Motion carried.

Alderman Berry made a motion to Approve Resolution 20220912-2 Amending the Title of Public Works Department. Second Alderman Sampson. All yes, Brown absent. Motion carried.

Alderman Mohme made a motion to Approve Resolution 20220912-3 Establishing a Tree Board. Second Alderman Deien. All yes, Brown absent. Motion carried.

Alderman Deien made a motion to Approve Appointment of Superintendent of Public Works, Andy Brockhahn to Tree Board for a term of one year. Second Alderman Sampson. All yes, Brown absent. Motion carried.

Alderman Sampson made a motion to Approve Appointment of City Administrator, John Marquart to Tree Board for a term of one year. Second Alderman Deien. All yes, Brown absent. Motion carried.

Alderman Mohme made a motion to Approve Appointment of Arborist, Derek Reiking to Tree Board for a term of two years. Second Alderman Deien. All yes, Brown absent. Motion carried..

Alderman Kniepman made a motion to Approve Appointment of Andrew Wallenberg to Tree Board for a term of two years. Second Alderman Sampson. All yes, Brown absent. Motion carried.

Alderman Deien made a motion to Approve Appointment of Pat Bassler to Tree Board for a term of three years. Second Alderman Berry. All yes, Brown absent. Motion carried.

Alderman Deien made a motion to Approve Appointment of Phil Schmitt to Tree Board for a term of three years. Second Alderman Berry. All yes, Brown absent. Motion carried.

Alderman Mohme made a motion to approve Appointment of Brent Woods to Tree Board for a term of three years. Second Alderman Kniepman. All yes, Brown absent. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Alderman Deien made a motion to Appoint Karen Buzzard as Sugar Creek Ambulance Trustee. Second Alderman Berry. All yes, Brown absent. Motion carried.

Alderman Sampson made a motion to Approve Resolution 20220912 Authorizing Application for Public Transportation Enhancement Capital Assistance Grant (ITEP) under the Illinois Department of Transportation. Second Alderman Kniepman. All yes, Brown absent. Motion carried.

Alderman Kniepman made a motion to Approve Resolution 20220912-1 Adopting the Clinton County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan. Second Alderman Sampson. All yes, Brown absent. Motion carried.

Mayor Weh opened a discussion about the next agenda item, purchase of a new truck for the public works department. It is practice to have an item for discussion prior to bringing it to council for approval, but this purchase has been discussed as part of a general discussion on capital purchases. Mayor Weh also expressed his preference to purchase locally. Administrator Marquart explained that Deien Chevrolet was contacted and a direct comparison cannot be made between the Chevrolet and Ford. The quoted price from Deien was also \$4,000.00 higher than the state purchase price for a Ford. After much more discussion Alderman Berry made a motion to Approve Purchase of a 2022 Ford Super Duty pickup through State of Illinois Joint State Purchase Program from Morrow Brothers Ford, Inc. in the amount of \$47,455.00. Second Alderman Sampson. All yes, Brown absent. Motion carried. This will be paid from the Capital Improvement fund.

CLOSED SESSION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Deien made a motion to adjourn. Second Alderman Kniepman. All yes, Brown absent. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:42 pm.

Karen Buzzard, City Clerk