

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PINCKNEYVILLE CITY COUNCIL

HELD MONDAY, MAY 24, 2021 AT 6:00 P.M.

IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL

ROLL CALL

Mayor Spencer called the regular meeting of the Pinckneyville City Council to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, City Hall. Members present: Commissioners Ricky J. Cicardi, Kevin B. Hicks, Sammy D. Peradotta, William B. Stotlar, and Mayor Robert L. Spencer. Mayor Spencer declared a quorum present. Commissioner Cicardi requested to add an Executive Session for the discussion of Section 2(c)(1) Appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of an employee to the agenda. Commissioner Peradotta requested to add to Review the MFT Audit for the period January 1, 2020, through December 31, 2020, to the agenda. Mayor Spencer announced the agenda was set. Administrative staff present: City Clerk Melissa Kellerman, City Attorney Don Bigham, Police Chief Kenny Kelley, and Fire Chief Jim Gielow. Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the public was invited to attend by social distancing in the lobby area and the Council Chambers of City Hall or by calling in on a conference line. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Stotlar.

PREVIOUS MINUTES

Motion was made by Commissioner Stotlar, seconded by Commissioner Hicks, to approve the minutes of the May 10, 2021, regular council meeting, and the minutes of the May 17, 2021, special council meeting. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Commissioner Stotlar reviewed the treasurer's report and stated that the ending balance total was \$7,375,625.54, and unrestricted balance total was \$2,218,566.55, for the period ending April 30, 2021, and that both have increased over last year. Commissioner Stotlar made a motion to approve the treasurer's report. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peradotta. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Commissioner Cicardi added two additional invoices to the accounts payable that totaled \$1,741.47: Cheryl Clark in the amount of \$41.47 to reimburse her for pool start-up concession supplies and Rooters American Maintenance in the amount of \$1,700.00 to paint two additional pickleball courts (the Pickleball Team intends to reimburse half of this expense). Commissioner Cicardi made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Hicks, to pay the accounts payable with the additional invoices. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Commissioner Cicardi noted the swimming pool opened Saturday, May 22, 2021, and that Sweet Leona's sponsored the day. He said they had a good turn-out and the pool looks nice.

Commissioner Cicardi noted that Pickleball opened today. He said the court looks nice and announced that the gate will be locked to the courts for now.

Commissioner Cicardi read a note from Fire Chief Jim Gielow, who said the Rural Fire District was dispatched on May 21, 2021, to a house fire which had an occupant in the house. City utility employee, Dan Naugle, was at the residence to shut off the gas, and assisted firefighters to pull the occupant from the home while they were waiting on additional firemen to arrive. He commended Mr. Naugle for his assistance in going above and beyond his duties.

ORDINANCE NO. O-2021-08, TO APPROVE THE WITHDRAWAL OF THE CITY OF CREAL SPRINGS, WILLIAMSON COUNTY, ILLINOIS AND THE VILLAGE OF TAMMS, ALEXANDER COUNTY, ILLINOIS AS MEMBERS OF THE INTERSTATE MUNICIPAL GAS AGENCY AND TO AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF A SUPPLEMENT TO THE AGENCY AGREEMENT ESTABLISHING THE INTERSTATE MUNICIPAL GAS AGENCY

Commissioner Cicardi presented Ordinance No. O-2021-08, an ordinance of the City of Pinckneyville, Perry County, Illinois, to approve the withdrawal of the City of Creal Springs, Williamson County, Illinois and the Village of Tamms, Alexander County, Illinois as members of the Interstate Municipal Gas Agency and to authorize execution of a Supplement to the Agency Agreement establishing the Interstate Municipal Gas Agency. City Attorney Don Bigham stated these members have decided to contract gas through another provider and that all members of IMGA must approve their withdrawal. Commissioner Cicardi made a motion to approve Ordinance No. O-2021-08. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peradotta. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

RESOLUTION NO. R-2021-17, AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF PINCKNEYVILLE, PERRY COUNTY, ILLINOIS, TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF PERRY, STATE OF ILLINOIS, FOR TELECOMMUNICATOR AND DISPATCHING SERVICES

Commissioner Hicks presented Resolution No. R-2021-17, a resolution placed on file at the May 10, 2021, regular council meeting, authorizing the City of Pinckneyville, Perry County, Illinois, to enter into an agreement with the County of Perry, State of Illinois, for telecommunicator and dispatching services. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to approve Resolution No. R-2021-17. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cicardi. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

AMERICAN THRESHERMAN ASSOCIATION REQUEST TO CLOSE BALLPARK ROAD

Josh Giacomo, representing the American Thresherman Association, requested to close Ballpark Road during the 2021 August ATA Show from August 16-23, 2021, and also requested to have the Opening Power of Parade travel through town starting at 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, August 18, 2021. Mr. Giacomo stated they would follow the same route as in the past. Commissioner Hicks asked Mr. Giacomo to double-check with the Jr. High baseball and softball teams to make sure they do not need the road open for games during that time. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to approve the request. Commissioner Stotlar seconded the motion. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

AMERICAN THRESHERMAN ASSOCIATION DONATION REQUEST

Josh Giacomo, representing the American Thresherman Association, requested a \$1,500.00 donation from the hotel/motel tax fund to be used to help offset their 2021 advertising costs. Copies of previous advertising expenses were attached. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to approve the donation. Commissioner Peradotta seconded the motion. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

RESOLUTION NO. R-2021-21, AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF PINCKNEYVILLE, PERRY COUNTY, ILLINOIS, TO ENTER INTO A MOWING CONTRACT WITH KURTIS CLAY (CITY CEMETERY)

Commissioner Peradotta presented Resolution No. R-2021-21, a resolution placed on file at the May 17, 2021, special council meeting, authorizing the City of Pinckneyville, Perry County, Illinois, to enter into a mowing contract with Kurtis Clay (City Cemetery). Commissioner Peradotta made a motion to approve Resolution No. R-2021-21. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Stotlar. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

REVIEW OF MFT AUDIT FOR JANUARY 1, 2020, THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2020

Commissioner Peradotta presented the MFT Audit for January 1, 2020, through December 31, 2020, for review. He stated the City spent \$138,859.62 of the \$194,077.00 that was approved. The audit was sent to IDOT and everything has been approved.

RESOLUTION NO. R-2021-18, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING A TPA AGREEMENT WITH MUTUAL MEDICAL PLANS, INC., TO SERVE AS THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATOR OF CITY'S HEALTH INSURANCE PLAN

Commissioner Stotlar presented Resolution No. R-2021-18, a resolution placed on file at the May 17, 2021, special council meeting, of the City of Pinckneyville, Perry County, Illinois, approving and authorizing a TPA Agreement with Mutual Medical Plans, Inc., to serve as Third Party Administrator of City's Health Insurance Plan. Commissioner Stotlar made a motion to approve Resolution No. R-2021-18. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hicks. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

RESOLUTION NO. R-2021-19, TO AUTHORIZE THE STOP LOSS INSURANCE RENEWAL FOR THE CITY OF PINCKNEYVILLE, PERRY COUNTY, ILLINOIS, HEALTH CARE PLAN

Commissioner Stotlar presented Resolution No. R-2021-19, a resolution placed on file at the May 17, 2021, special council meeting, to authorize the Stop Loss Insurance renewal for the City of Pinckneyville, Perry County, Illinois, Health Care Plan. Commissioner Stotlar made a motion to approve Resolution No. R-2021-19. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cicardi. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

RESOLUTION NO. R-2021-20, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH SCRIPT CARE, LTD., AS THE PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGER FOR THE CITY'S HEALTH INSURANCE PLAN

Commissioner Stotlar presented Resolution No. R-2021-20, a resolution placed on file at the May 17, 2021, special council meeting, of the City of Pinckneyville, Perry County, Illinois, approving and authorizing an agreement with Script Care, Ltd., as the Pharmacy Benefits Manager for the City's Health Insurance Plan. Commissioner Stotlar made a motion to approve Resolution No. R-2021-20. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peradotta. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

RESOLUTION NO. R-2021-22, OPPOSING SB2298 AMENDING THE TAX INCREMENT ALLOCATION REDEVELOPMENT ACT OF THE ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL CODE

Mayor Spencer presented Resolution No. R-2021-22, a resolution by the City of Pinckneyville, Perry County, Illinois, opposing Senate Bill 2298 amending the Tax Increment Allocation Redevelopment Act of the Illinois Municipal Code. Mayor Spencer stated the original TIF Redevelopment Plan that the City has was for 23 years and was just extended an additional 12 years for a total of 35 years. The new Senate Bill is to make the TIF Redevelopment Plan end in 10 years, which is too short a time to complete what all is needed, and he recommends opposing the bill and to keep the current TIF Act. He stated he has also written a letter to the Southern Illinois Mayor's Association to oppose this bill. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to approve Resolution No. R-2021-22. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peradotta. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

RESOLUTION NO. R-2021-23, TO ENTER INTO A TASK ORDER AGREEMENT FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES WITH HENRY, MEISENHEIMER & GENDE, INC.

Mayor Spencer introduced Resolution No. R-2021-23, a resolution to be placed on file, authorizing the City of Pinckneyville, Perry County, Illinois, to enter into a task order agreement for engineering services with Henry, Meisenheimer & Gende, Inc. Mayor Spencer stated this is regarding an EPA violation on the sewer system that has been being worked on for several years.

Commissioner Peradotta made a motion to place on file Resolution No. R-2021-23. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Stotlar. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

RESOLUTION NO. R-2021-24, TO ENTER INTO AN INTER-GOVERNMENTAL GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY (MOORE BROTHERS OF SOUTHERN ILLINOIS, LLC)

Mayor Spencer introduced Resolution No. R-2021-24, a resolution to be placed on file, authorizing the City of Pinckneyville, Perry County, Illinois, to enter into an Inter-Governmental Grant Agreement with the State Illinois, Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (Moore Brothers of Southern Illinois, LLC). Mayor Spencer stated this grant is for \$25,000, and the Inter-Governmental Agreement is for the City to manage the grant funds. Commissioner Cicardi made a motion to place on file Resolution No. R-2021-24. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hicks. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

RESOLUTION NO. R-2021-25, TO ENTER INTO AN INTER-GOVERNMENTAL GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY (AUDRA'S FOOTPRINT, LLC)

Mayor Spencer introduced Resolution No. R-2021-25, a resolution to be placed on file, authorizing the City of Pinckneyville, Perry County, Illinois, to enter into an Inter-Governmental Grant Agreement with the State Illinois, Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (Audra's Footprint, LLC). Mayor Spencer stated this grant is for \$10,000, and the Inter-Governmental Agreement is for the City to manage the grant funds. Commissioner Peradotta made a motion to place on file Resolution No. R-2021-25. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cicardi. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

Mayor Spencer stated there will be one more approved grant to be presented at a future council meeting, and the one request that was rejected is now reapplying.

ACCEPT RESIGNATION FROM TOBY DINKELMAN

Mayor Spencer announced the resignation of Toby Dinkelman from the Water Treatment Department. Commissioner Cicardi made a motion to accept the resignation. Commissioner Peradotta seconded the motion. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Michelle Weinhold, owner of American Lawncare, addressed the Council about her contract termination. She stated they are scheduled to mow the Cemetery on Fridays and it has been raining a lot which makes it hard to mow. She said they have other clients with schedules as well and has had to work around all of them to try to get everything mowed with all the rain. She said they always receive compliments about their work from cemetery visitors, and has been trying to get it mowed before Memorial Day. Commissioner Peradotta stated the 28th would be the last day they mow, and thanked her and said it didn't work out. Ms. Weinhold turned to Commissioner Cicardi and stated she was surprised he was following Commissioner Peradotta. Commissioner Cicardi stated he had sent her pictures yesterday and that the area around the City Lake and Soccer Field hadn't been mowed for two weeks and it was 9 ½ inches tall, and that he shouldn't have to go out every week to look at it. Ms. Weinhold stated she had a tracker on the truck and it was there. Commissioner Cicardi stated these would now be mowed by City employees.

Josh Giacomo, of the American Thresherman Association, asked if the Council would look ahead at purchasing more trees for the fairgrounds next fall. He stated they had cut down seven so far and they needed to be replaced. Commissioner Cicardi thanked Josh and his crew for cutting them down and for helping move the scoreboard at the ballpark. Mayor Spencer asked if they wanted the District Forestry to be involved, and Mr. Giacomo replied Yes.

ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Commissioner Peradotta, seconded by Commissioner Cicardi to move the meeting to Executive Session at 6:35 p.m. for the discussion of Section 2 (c) (1) Appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of an employee. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar, and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING

Motion by Commissioner Peradotta, seconded by Commissioner Cicardi to return to the regular meeting at 6:51 p.m. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Commissioner Hicks, seconded by Commissioner Stotlar to adjourn the meeting at 6:52 p.m. On roll call: Commissioners Cicardi, Hicks, Peradotta, Stotlar and Mayor Spencer voted YEA. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried.