
PROCEEDINGS OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PEKIN, ILLINOIS,
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF CITY HALL
111 S. CAPITOL ST
ON MONDAY JUNE 10, 2019 AT 5:30 O'CLOCK P.M.
MARK LUFT * CHAIR * PRESIDING

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Mark Luft.

The Clerk confirmed all Council Members were physical present and logged in. A quorum was declared by Mayor Luft.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Michael Garrison	Councilman	Present	4:36 PM
Rick Hilst	Councilman	Present	4:52 PM
Karen Hohimer	Councilwoman	Present	4:51 PM
Dave Nutter	Councilman	Present	4:52 PM
Lloyd Orrick	Mayor Pro-Tem	Present	4:51 PM
John P Abel	Councilman	Present	4:51 PM
Mark Luft	Mayor	Present	5:29 PM

APPROVE AGENDA

3.1. Motion to: **Approve agenda**

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Lloyd Orrick, Mayor Pro-Tem
SECONDER:	John P Abel, Councilman
AYES:	Garrison, Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Orrick, Abel, Luft

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

4.1. City Council - Special Meeting - May 31, 2019 1:00 PM

RESULT:	ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	John P Abel, Councilman
SECONDER:	Karen Hohimer, Councilwoman
AYES:	Garrison, Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Orrick, Abel, Luft

4.2. City Council - Rescheduled/Changed - May 28, 2019 5:30 PM

PUBLIC INPUT

CONSENT AGENDA

- 6.1. Accounts Payable Check Run
- 6.2. Tazewell County Animal Control Billing - May 2019
- 6.3. Receive Bids for the 2019 Sidewalk Improvement Project
- 6.4. Receive and File Bids for the 2019 Front Street and 5th Street Sewer Lining Project
- 6.5. Motion to: **Motion to Approve Consent Agenda**

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Lloyd Orrick, Mayor Pro-Tem
SECONDER:	John P Abel, Councilman
AYES:	Garrison, Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Orrick, Abel, Luft

PRESENTATIONS

7.1. **Bodyworks Ordinance - Becky Sabin**

Becky Sabin, a Licensed Massage Therapist, presented a power point presentation on a proposed local bodyworks ordinance.

Council discussed the 90 day time frame to comply. It was stated that the 90 day time frame is for existing businesses.

Council member Hohimer questioned what department would be inspecting each business. Chief Dossey explained that it would be mainly code enforcement and the police department.

7.2. **Court Street Funding Options & Priorities**

City Engineer, Michael Guerra, and Project Engineer, Jose Esker, presented a power point presentation regarding Court Street improvements. Mr. Guerra explained that the City has full jurisdiction of Court Street and discussed overall goals including, roadway conditions, locations, improvement plan, and existing and potential funding.

City Manager Mark Rothert added that there is other options such as adding a Business Development District that would increase sales tax by 1% in a designated area determined by Council or creating a new TIF District.

Council continued to discuss the worst areas on Court Street that need the most improvement and compared funding options with surrounding municipalities.

Economic Director, Matt Fick, estimated that creating a Business Development District would generate \$1.8M annually.

Mr. Guerra ended the presentation with a request to Council to prioritize an improvement plan on Court Street.

NEW BUSINESS

8.1. **Lease Agreement With GFI Digital For Copier Equipment**

8.2. **Motion to: Motion to Table 8.1**

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Michael Garrison, Councilman
SECONDER:	John P Abel, Councilman
AYES:	Garrison, Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Orrick, Abel, Luft

8.3. **Agreement with Cloudpoint Geographics, Inc. for Geographic Information System (GIS) Services**

City Manager, Mr. Mark Rothert, introduced the item to Council.

City Engineer, Mr. Michael Guerra, gave a brief background of how GIS software is utilized throughout the various departments within the City and the involvement of managing the software.

Police Chief John Dossey, added that GIS is a vital instrument in dispatch services and call services. Chief Dossey pointed out the frustration not being

able to update the truck route maps throughout the City as an example of the importance of GIS software.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Lloyd Orrick, Mayor Pro-Tem
SECONDER:	Michael Garrison, Councilman
AYES:	Garrison, Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Orrick, Abel, Luft

8.4. Resolution No. 9-19/20 Authorization to Proceed with Letter of Intent for Airport Solar Project

City Manager, Mr. Mark Rothert, requested Council proceed with authorizing a Letter of Intent for the Airport Solar Project.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Michael Garrison, Councilman
SECONDER:	John P Abel, Councilman
AYES:	Garrison, Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Orrick, Abel, Luft

8.5. Ordinance No. 2835-19/20 Ordinance Title 1, Chapter 12, Section 3 B(e) of the Administrative Adjudication of Non Vehicular Code Violations of the Code of the City of Pekin

City Manager, Mark Rothert, requested Council to adopt an ordinance updating the fines as it pertains to Administrative Adjudication of Non Vehicular Code Violations from \$150 to \$500.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Lloyd Orrick, Mayor Pro-Tem
SECONDER:	Michael Garrison, Councilman
AYES:	Garrison, Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Orrick, Abel, Luft

8.6. Award 2019 Sidewalk Improvement Project Contract to Otto Baum Company Inc.

City Engineer, Mr. Michael Guerra, asked Council to approve the 2019 Sidewalk Improvement Project Contract with Otto Baum Company, Inc. Mr. Guerra explained the 50/50 sidewalk program that provides better timeframes and costs for our residents. The City, District 108 and Edison School has partnered to improve a portion of the sidewalk that is deteriorating, creating an increase of roughly \$30,000 in revenue. Mr. Guerra and the Council discussed the process to apply and explained that all applications were compiled and the projects went out for one bid. Mr. Guerra added that four bids were received with Otto Baum being the lowest bidder.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Michael Garrison, Councilman
SECONDER:	Karen Hohimer, Councilwoman
AYES:	Garrison, Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Orrick, Abel, Luft

8.7. Award the Contract for the Front Street and 5th Street Sewer Lining Project

City Engineer, Michael Guerra, requested Council's approval to enter into a contract with Hoerr Construction for Front Street and 5th Street Sewer Lining Project. Mr. Guerra explained that with the upcoming construction on Front Street it is imperative to make sure the line is secure and it is in need of repair. Also, the a line along the river was selected to cut down on infiltration from the river. The

final selection is a continuation of the lining on 5th Street from construction last year.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Rick Hilst, Councilman
SECONDER:	Dave Nutter, Councilman
AYES:	Garrison, Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Orrick, Abel, Luft

8.8. Occupancy License Agreements with Tazewell & Peoria Railroad, Inc. for Front Street Storm Sewer

City Engineer, Michael Guerra, requested Council to approve two occupancy agreements with GW Railroad for Front Street Storm Sewer. The agreement gives the City rights to the storm sewer under the railroad tracks to construct, own and operate. Council discussed the occupancy fees set by the railroad. Council Member Hilst spoke against the item. Council discussed additional options, but all required the railroad's involvement and consent.

RESULT:	APPROVED [6 TO 1]
MOVER:	Michael Garrison, Councilman
SECONDER:	Karen Hohimer, Councilwoman
AYES:	Garrison, Hohimer, Nutter, Orrick, Abel, Luft
NAYS:	Rick Hilst

8.9. Agreement with St. John's Lutheran Church for a Storm Water Sewer Easement

City Manager, Mark Rothert, requested Council approve an agreement with St. John's Lutheran Church for Storm sewer easement.

City Engineer, Michael Guerra, added that the project to construct a new storm water sewer was approved at the Storm Water Sub Committee Meeting to intercept the creek that enters into an existing storm sewer behind 1716 Vista Grande Dr. Overall, the Church is asking for trees to be removed which will decrease the City's liability, in exchange for the easements.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Lloyd Orrick, Mayor Pro-Tem
SECONDER:	Michael Garrison, Councilman
AYES:	Garrison, Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Orrick, Abel, Luft

8.10. Resolution No. 8-19/20 Independent Contractor Agreement for FY20 Economic Development Services

City Manager, Mark Rothert, requested Council adopt an agreement for economic development services with Matt Fick to work as an independent contractor. Council Members discussed the budget line items the expense will come from.

Mr. Matt Fick, gave a brief update to Council on the level of activity and requests that have taken place. As these projects become public more information will be given.

RESULT:	APPROVED [6 TO 1]
MOVER:	Lloyd Orrick, Mayor Pro-Tem
SECONDER:	Michael Garrison, Councilman
AYES:	Garrison, Hohimer, Nutter, Orrick, Abel, Luft
NAYS:	Rick Hilst

8.11. Resolution No. 6-19/20 Intergovernmental Agreement with Greater Peoria Mass Transit District for 2019-2020 Transit Service in Pekin

City Manager, Mark Rothert, requested Council adopt a resolution to enter into an agreement with Greater Peoria Mass Transit District for transit service in the City of Pekin. Mr. Rothert explained that this is an opportunity to provide transit services to our residents. Other funding options were discussed but ruled out due to not qualifying.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Michael Garrison, Councilman
SECONDER:	Karen Hohimer, Councilwoman
AYES:	Garrison, Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Orrick, Abel, Luft

8.12. Resolution No. 7-19/20 Authorization to Intervene in Property Assessment Appeal Kroger Limited Partnership I PIN 04-04-35-456-004

City Attorney, Katherine Swise, requested Council to intervene in the appeal before the property tax appeal board. The City has traditionally done this for all the taxing bodies. The Cost will be portioned out between the different taxing bodies. The resolution would authorize Council to intervene in this property tax appeal on behalf of the City. The School districts will not have a meeting in time to have the appeal approved. The City has 60 days to file an intervention from the date of the appeal. Kroger is requesting a 50% reduction in their appraised value.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Lloyd Orrick, Mayor Pro-Tem
SECONDER:	Michael Garrison, Councilman
AYES:	Garrison, Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Orrick, Abel, Luft

8.13. Resolution No. 5-19/20 A Resolution Regarding Authorization of Demolition of 1407 S 6th Street

City Manager, Mark Rothert, requested Council approve a resolution for the demolition of a dangerous property at 1407 S. 6th Street. The Inspections Department has inspected the premises and has found that the structure on the subject property has been an abandoned home since 2000 and constitutes an immediate safety hazard and poses a danger to the health, safety and welfare of the City, and it in the best interests of the City of Pekin for the property to be demolished.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Michael Garrison, Councilman
SECONDER:	Karen Hohimer, Councilwoman
AYES:	Garrison, Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Orrick, Abel, Luft

ANY OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COUNCIL

Ally Neville spoke regarding a property in her neighborhood that has caused some issues with bugs, a dilapidated property, and mold issues. Expressed concern for the community and is asking for help. Ally prior to the meeting sent email with details and photos to Council.

Lynette Hunt spoke regarding VFW Road and the trucks regarding jake breaking. Asking if there is a current ordinance preventing this. She is requesting a sign to reduce the noise.

Jacob Collins also spoke in support of Ally Neville with regard to the neighbor concerns. Action needs to be taken soon.

Charity Gullet also spoke in support of Ally Neville. Ms. Gullet expressed her concern for the neighbor. Ms. Gullet feels code enforcement is understaffed and the code is not being enforced.

Building Supervisor, John Lebegue, addressed the Council regarding the home on Black Street. Mr. Lebegue gave an update as to the immediate action that is being organized to address the issue, but an administrative search warrant is needed.

City Manager, Mark Rothert, announced that asphalt is being purchased so that patchwork can be done in the weeks ahead.

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ADJOURN

Council Member Abel made a motion to adjourn. There being no further action to come before Council, Mayor Luft adjourned the meeting at 8:21 p.m.