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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 APRIL 27, 2020 AT 5:30 O'CLOCK P.M.
MARK LUFT * CHAIR * PRESIDING

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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Due to the Governor's Executive Order regarding COVID-19 and the relaxing of the Open Meeting Act requirements, this meeting was held remotely via Zoom Meetings without an in person meeting location for the public to attend. Therefore, the provisions of the City Code regarding electronic attendance did not apply. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Mark Luft. The Clerk confirmed all members of the Council were present via remote electronic attendance by roll call vote with the exception of Mayor Mark Luft who was physically present.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Michael Garrison	Councilman	Remote	
Rick Hilst	Councilman	Remote	
Karen Hohimer	Councilwoman	Remote	
Dave Nutter	Councilman	Remote	
Lloyd Orrick	Mayor Pro-Tem	Remote	

John P Abel	Councilman	Remote	
Mark Luft	Mayor	Present	

APPROVE AGENDA

3.1. Motion to: **Approve agenda**

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

4.1. City Council - Special Meeting - Apr 6, 2020 5:30 PM

4.2. City Council - Regular Meeting - Apr 13, 2020 5:30 PM

4.3. City Council - Special Meeting - Apr 20, 2020 5:30 PM

Motion to: **Approve Minutes**

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

PUBLIC INPUT

The Mayor announced that no public comments were posted via Zoom Meetings Chat or submitted to the Clerk via email.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to: **Approve Consent Agenda**

Mayor Luft read through the five items on the Consent Agenda.

Mayor Luft read the Proclamation for ABATE May 2020 Motorcycle Awareness Month.

RESULT:	**ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Lloyd Orrick, Mayor Pro-Tem
SECONDER:	Karen Hohimer, Councilwoman
AYES:	Garrison, Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Orrick, Abel, Luft

6.1. Ordinance No. 2883-19/20 Renewing Declaration of Local Emergency Within the City of Pekin in Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic and Granting Emergency Powers to the Mayor and City Manager

6.2. Proclamation ABATE May 2020 Motorcycle Awareness Month

6.3. Financial Reports February 2020

6.4. Accounts Payable to be Paid Proof List thru April 17, 2020

6.5. March 2020 Building Report

PUBLIC HEARING

7.1. 2138 : CDBG Public Hearing for 2020-2024 Five-Year Consolidated Plan, Amended Citizen Participation Plan, and 2019 Amended Action Plan

Mayor Luft opened the Public Hearing at 5:46 P.M.

City Manager, Mr. Mark Rothert, gave a summary of the purpose of the CDBG Public Hearing for 2020-2024 Five-Year Consolidated Plan, Amended Citizen Participation Plan, and 2019 Amended Action Plan. Mr. Rothert explained that the City has a block grant and every five years a new plan along with an Action Plan and Citizen Participation Plan be implemented. Due to COVID-19, the goal was to amend the plan through a public hearing. Mr. Rothert then introduced Community Development Program Manager, Mr. David Bess, to provide an overview of the amendments being sought.

Mr. Bess, articulated that in order to encourage understanding and to receive feedback related to the CDBG amendment and Five Year Consolidated Plan, a five day public comment period would begin. The website was available to provide feedback. Mr. Bess continued to summarize the first amendment to the Citizen Participation Plan to allow rapid response to the pandemic by waiving public comments to a five day period and allowing video telephone conference, along with any changes related to the plan to address the pandemic.

Mr. Bess then continued to explain the amendments to the Action Plan and the five year plan, modifying procedures based on the CARES Act and the amount of funds to reallocate to small businesses in the form of grants. A survey was conducted with several responses.

Council discussed the requirements and qualifications for small businesses to receive the grant.

Mr. Bess stated that 91 applications were submitted and were being reviewed.

Mr. Rothert requested Council give direction on how to proceed with the remaining grant funding that had not been allocated. Mr. Rothert concluded that he would touch base with each Councilmember on how to proceed.

Mayor Luft closed the hearing at 6:10 P.M.

NEW BUSINESS

8.1. Resolution No. 87-19/20 Authorizing the Conveyance of Certain Property to Park District

City Manager, Mr. Mark Rothert, presented the agenda item to Council to approve and adopt Resolution No. 87-19/20 Authorizing the Conveyance of Certain Property to Park District. The purpose of the donation was to create a bumper zone that was desired by the surrounding neighbors and to create a section of the parcel as a right of way. The item was brought to the Park District for approval.

RESULT:	**ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Lloyd Orrick, Mayor Pro-Tem
SECONDER:	Karen Hohimer, Councilwoman
AYES:	Garrison, Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Orrick, Abel, Luft

8.2. Resolution No. 88-19/20 Agreement Between the City of Pekin and Pekin Police Benevolent Labor Committee

City Manager, Mr. Mark Rothert, presented to Council the agenda item to adopt and approve Resolution No. 88-19/20 Agreement between the City of Pekin and Pekin Police Benevolent Labor Committee. The proposed contract was negotiated by staff and the labor team. The agreement was for four years with a 2.5% increase in salary each year. A carve out of retiree health insurance. Mr.

Rothert referred to Human Resources Director, Ms. Sarah Newcomb, for additional comment and to answer questions.

Ms. Newcomb stated that negotiations began March of 2019 and agreed to mediation in December. Ms. Newcomb summarized the major changes of the contract.

Council discussed comparable studies with other municipalities, sign on bonuses, insurance costs and premiums, salaries, equipment allowances and residency requirements.

Councilmember Orrick expressed concern that due to COVID-19 and anticipated reduced revenues that he could not support the contract as written.

Council continued to discuss how the contract was non-negotiable within the four year period.

Councilmember Hilst expressed disappointment of the updates during the negotiation process.

RESULT:	**ADOPTED [5 TO 2]**
MOVER:	John P Abel, Councilman
SECONDER:	Michael Garrison, Councilman
AYES:	Garrison, Hohimer, Nutter, Abel, Luft
NAYS:	Rick Hilst, Lloyd Orrick

8.3. Resolution No. 89-19/20 Approving the Purchase of Pure Storage Flash Array for Increased Storage and Improved Performance

City Manager, Mr. Mark Rothert, presented the request to approve and adopt Resolution No. 89-19/20 Approving the Purchase of Pure Storage Flash Array for Increased Storage and Improved Performance. The storage system in place was installed in August of 2018. Due to the City's increased storage needs that out-paced estimates based on growth trends in past years, an emergency purchase was needed to prevent failure to city servers.

Councilmember Hilst confirmed that even though this was an emergency purchase, language in the procurement policy did not require Council approval.

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

8.4. Resolution No. 90-19/20 Appropriating Motor Fuel Tax in the Amount of $100,000 for Street Worker Salaries & Materials for Street Repairs

City Manager, Mr. Mark Rothert, presented the agenda item for Council to approve and adopt Resolution No. 90-19/20 Appropriating Motor Fuel Tax in the Amount of $100,000 for Street Worker Salaries & Materials for Street Repairs. Mr. Rothert explained that a reduction of MFT revenues will have to be realized. The MFT budget has more expenditures then revenue coming in but there is a reserve there to utilize for plan projects.

Councilmember Hilst motioned to amend the resolution to include a sunset clause. Mr. Rothert explained that it was a MFT Resolution and adding language may not be acceptable by IDOT. Mr. Rothert added that the consensus of Council was to include a Sunset Clause terminating the resolution after one fiscal year and that it be reflected in the minutes.

Councilmember Hilst rescinded the motion to amend the resolution.

Councilmember Nutter stated the MFT tax figures for the last few months.

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

Motion to: **Amend Ordinance No. 1462-A364-19/20 Requiring Golf Carts to be Equipped with an 8' Slow Moving Flag while on City Streets**

Councilmember Garrison expressed concern for safety and suggested that a 8-foot flag be attached to each golf court for safety.

Council discussed how the flag could cause issues on the golf courses not allowing them to go to certain areas on the course. Another option was suggested that the flag only apply on the street and not on the golf course.

A motion was made by Councilmember Garrison and seconded by Councilmember Hohimer to amend the Ordinance to require golf carts be equipped with a slow moving 8-foot flag on a fiberglass pole bolted to the golf cart while on City Streets.

RESULT:	**ADOPTED [5 TO 2]**
MOVER:	Michael Garrison, Councilman
SECONDER:	Karen Hohimer, Councilwoman
AYES:	Garrison, Hohimer, Nutter, Orrick, Abel
NAYS:	Rick Hilst, Mark Luft

8.5. 2145 : Ordinance No. 1462-A364-19/20
An Ordinance Regulating the Operation of Certain Non-Highway Vehicles within the City of Pekin as Amended

City Manager, Mr. Mark Rothert, presented the agenda item for Council to approve and adopt Ordinance No. 1462-A364-19/20 Regulating the Operation of Certain Non-Highway Vehicles within the City of Pekin to allow golf carts in the city streets.

Chief John Dossey explained that the registration fee would be waived for the upcoming year.

City Attorney, Ms. Kate Swise, added that there is a requirement for the golf carts to have insurance unlike motorized bikes. No provisions were added for impoundments or towing, only revocation of the registration.

Council discussed the inspections of the carts and how the golf courses offered assistance with registration.

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

ANY OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COUNCIL

Mayor Luft stated that no public comments were submitted via Zoom Meetings Chat or by email to the City Clerk.

Mr. Rothert provided an update on the budget with the requirement to conduct a public hearing that required a seven day notice. The budget adoption date was pushed back to May 4, 2020.

Councilmembers discussed budget questions and gave appreciation to staff.

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ADJOURN

There being no further business to come to Council, a motion was made by Councilmember Abel, seconded by Councilwoman Hohimer to adjourn. Motion carried viva voce. The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 7:30 PM.