



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 11, 2022 AT 5:30 O'CLOCK P.M.
MAYOR MARK LUFT PRESIDING

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Abel.

CALL TO ORDER

The City Clerk confirmed all Councilmembers were logged on for electronic voting and present except Councilmember Orrick who was absent.

Attendee Name	Organization	Title	Status	Arrived
Rick Hilst	City of Pekin	Councilman	Present	5:04 PM
Karen Hohimer	City of Pekin	Councilwoman	Present	5:09 PM
Dave Nutter	City of Pekin	Councilman	Present	5:08 PM
Becky Cloyd	City of Pekin	Mayor Pro tem	Present	5:05 PM
Lloyd Orrick	City of Pekin	Council Member	Absent	5:14 PM
John P Abel	City of Pekin	Councilman	Present	5:08 PM
Mark Luft	City of Pekin	Mayor	Present	5:07 PM

APPROVE AGENDA

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	John P Abel, Councilman
SECONDER:	Karen Hohimer, Councilwoman
AYES:	Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Cloyd, Abel, Luft
ABSENT:	Lloyd Orrick

MINUTES APPROVAL

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	John P Abel, Councilman
SECONDER:	Karen Hohimer, Councilwoman
AYES:	Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Cloyd, Abel, Luft
ABSENT:	Lloyd Orrick

- 4.1. City Council - Regular Meeting - Mar 28, 2022 5:30 PM
- 4.2. City Council - Work Session - Mar 7, 2022 5:30 PM
- 4.3. City Council - Special Meeting - Mar 21, 2022 9:30 AM

PUBLIC INPUT

John McNish spoke in favor of the Proclamation for "National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week", requested a discussion of notes regarding Ordinance NO. 3069-

21/22 regarding wastewater fees, and spoke against Resolution No. 406-21/22 regarding City Solutions. Mr. McNish also felt it was not the City's job to demolish homes but to hold homeowners responsible for their property, requested city attorney fees be reduced and to remove the City Attorney from the Ethics Commission. Mr. McNish also questioned whether any money given to Reditus had been paid back. Lastly, Mr. McNish spoke against the City not working on improvements to Court Street this year.

Mayor Luft explained that any delays to Court Street construction was due to the State and not the City.

Mayor Luft read the Proclamation for friends at TC3 and first responders regarding National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week.

CONSENT AGENDA

RESULT:	APPROVED [5 TO 1]
MOVER:	John P Abel, Councilman
SECONDER:	Karen Hohimer, Councilwoman
AYES:	Hohimer, Nutter, Cloyd, Abel, Luft
NAYS:	Rick Hilst
ABSENT:	Lloyd Orrick

- 6.1. Proclamation "National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week" April 10th Thru April 16th 2022**
- 6.2. Police Department Stats - March 2022**
- 6.3. Resolution No. 401-21/22 Financial Support for Derby Street Rehabilitation Project**
- 6.4. Resolution No. 402-21/22 Inducement for Residential Development at 27 Osprey Court**

NEW BUSINESS

- 7.1. Resolution No. 403-21/22 2022 Community Development Block Grant Annual Action Plan**

CDBG Program Manager, Mr. David Bess, described the Community Development Block Grant Annual Action Plan explaining that the City each year was required to adopt an Annual Action Plan to receive allocation of funds from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development. The plan was used to specify the types of activities to be undertaken during the associated program year and was intended to be consistent with the goals and projects indicated in the adopted 5-year Consolidated Plan which covers the City's CDBG program from FY21 through FY215.

In total, the City's anticipated CDBG budget was \$1,111,642 taking into account anticipated program income as well as an assumption that the FY23 allocation would be consistent with FY22 funding levels. In addition to this budget, the proposed plan also included utilization of HUD's Section 108 Loan Guarantee Program. The Section 108 program allowed the City to utilize low-cost loans guaranteed by HUD for up to \$1,584,570 which could assist with the construction of fire stations that largely service low- to moderate-income portions of the City. Section 108 funds specified in the plan were not required to be utilized and did not have an expiration; the inclusion of those funds only ensured the City's ability to utilize the Section 108 program during this fiscal year.

Feedback from the City's March 14th public hearing held regarding the plan was included in the updated draft version of the document in preparation for submission HUD. No additional feedback was received during the public comment period.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Dave Nutter, Councilman
SECONDER:	Becky Cloyd, Mayor Pro tem
AYES:	Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Cloyd, Abel, Luft
ABSENT:	Lloyd Orrick

7.2. Resolution No. 404-21/22 Contract Renewal with Tyler Technologies for Traversa Bus Routing Software

City Manager, Mr. Mark Rothert, led the discussion regarding Resolution No. 404-21/22 Contract Renewal with Tyler Technologies for Versatrans Bus Routing Software. Mr. Rothert explained that the software had previously been used by the Pekin Bus Department and Pekin school districts since 2014. The system was used to manage and plan student data, athletic and field trips, bus routes, school boundaries, reports engine diagnostics, and so forth. The software also displayed live tracking, something the City could not do themselves.

Bus Department Supervisor, Mr. Jon York, stated that the software and hardware were already on the buses and it would be expensive to switch. Other software and hardware do not meet all the needs of the bus department. No quotes were received, the product was only demoed.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Dave Nutter, Councilman
SECONDER:	John P Abel, Councilman
AYES:	Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Cloyd, Abel, Luft
ABSENT:	Lloyd Orrick

7.3. Resolution No. 405-21/22 Purchase of Police Locker Room Lockers

City Manager, Mr. Mark Rothert, presented the request to Council to approve and adopt Resolution No. 405-21/22 Purchase of Police Locker Room Lockers. Mr. Rothert explained that the purchase from Bradford Systems utilizing Equalis Group was for the soon to be remodeled Police Department locker rooms. The purchase would be made under the State bidding program through a vendor called Equalis that had not placed a surcharge on steel as other vendors had. The purchase would result in a savings for the City. The decision to purchase the lockers separately from the locker room remodel project saved the City an estimated 10%. The purchase included 42 lockers for the men and 10 lockers for the women. The numbers were based on available space and information provided by the Police Department regarding personnel needs. The total project budget for the locker room remodel project was \$516,667 (including new lockers) and with the purchase of the lockers the final project cost would be \$522,249.22, which was \$5,582.22 over budget. Staff recommended the purchase.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Rick Hilst, Councilman
SECONDER:	Becky Cloyd, Mayor Pro tem
AYES:	Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Cloyd, Abel, Luft
ABSENT:	Lloyd Orrick

7.4. Resolution No. 406-21/22 Renewal of Professional Services Agreement with City Solutions, LLC

City Manager, Mr. Mark Rothert, presented the request regarding the renewal of Professional Services Agreement with City Solutions, LLC, Matt Fick. The contract mirrored the current contract with a small change towards Economic Development. Mr. Rothert explained that with economic development came a lot of dealings where businesses do not come to fruition due to funding capacity or the right location. Mr. Rothert felt Mr. Fick had done a great job of working with the Chamber of Commerce and processing requests with the Enterprise Zone or BDD. The requested amount was \$96,000.

Council discussed economic development moving towards the Tourism Committee and the Economic Development Enterprise Fund.

Mayor Luft spoke in favor of the agenda item and explained that the proposed budget was very lean compared to other municipalities.

Pekin Chamber of Commerce Director, Ms. Amy McCoy, spoke in favor of the agenda item and explained that the Chamber had worked closely with Mr. Fick over the past two years and felt an additional structure would be beneficial to the City for new businesses wanting to come to town.

RESULT:	APPROVED [5 TO 1]
MOVER:	Karen Hohimer, Councilwoman
SECONDER:	John P Abel, Councilman
AYES:	Hohimer, Nutter, Cloyd, Abel, Luft
NAYS:	Rick Hilst
ABSENT:	Lloyd Orrick

7.5. Resolution No. 407-21/22 Professional Services Agreement with the Pekin Area Chamber of Commerce for Tourism & Marketing Services

City Manager, Mr. Mark Rothert, presented the request to Council to approve and adopt a resolution for a Professional Services Agreement with the Pekin Area Chamber of Commerce for Tourism and Marketing Services. Mr. Rothert explained that the Chamber had been helping with events and applications for the City and did a great job last year of creating community events and managing those. The Chamber proposed to do four events this year and looking to do marketing services for the City to help update city websites and social media posts, and a newsletter that would be in a digital format.

Councilmember Cloyd expressed excitement for the podcast.

RESULT:	APPROVED [5 TO 1]
MOVER:	Karen Hohimer, Councilwoman
SECONDER:	Becky Cloyd, Mayor Pro tem
AYES:	Hohimer, Nutter, Cloyd, Abel, Luft
NAYS:	Rick Hilst
ABSENT:	Lloyd Orrick

7.6. Ordinance No. 3069-21/22 Amending Wastewater Charges in Section 3-2-4-2 of the City Code

City Manager, Mr. Mark Rothert, explained that a public hearing would be held on amending the wastewater charges for Tuesday, April 19, 2022 at 5:30 PM. Public notice would be published tomorrow for that meeting.

RESULT:	LAYED OVER [UNANIMOUS]
	Next: 4/19/2022 5:30 PM
MOVER:	Becky Cloyd, Mayor Pro tem
SECONDER:	Karen Hohimer, Councilwoman
AYES:	Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Cloyd, Abel, Luft
ABSENT:	Lloyd Orrick

ANY OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COUNCIL

Councilmember Abel spoke regarding the Hope Chest in front of the complex on 8th Street and that the extension of the pensions to 2040 bill would be extended to 2050.

Councilmember Cloyd spoke regarding the small business Pekin facebook page and complimented Mary Haynes on involving the community.

EXECUTIVE SESSION 5 ILCS 120/2 (C) 1. PERSONNEL

9.1. Motion to: Move into Executive Session

A motion was made by Councilmember Cloyd seconded by Councilmember Abel to move into Executive Session to discuss 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) 1. Personnel. On electronic vote all present voted Aye. Motion carried. Council moved into Executive Session at 6:25 PM.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Becky Cloyd, Mayor Pro tem
SECONDER:	John P Abel, Councilman
AYES:	Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Cloyd, Abel, Luft
ABSENT:	Lloyd Orrick

ADJOURN

There being no further business of the Council, a motion was made by Councilmember Cloyd seconded by Councilmember Abel to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried viva voce. Mayor Luft adjourned the meeting at 6:40 PM.