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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 MARCH 12, 2018 AT 5:30 O'CLOCK P.M.
JOHN MCCABE * CHAIR * PRESIDING

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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor McCabe.

Roll was called and all members were physically present. A quorum was declared.

Mayor McCabe exercised his personal privilege to speak to the public on the matter of Pekin City Hall being evaluated because of an apparent pipe bomb inside a confiscated safe. The Mayor expressed appreciation to the Pekin Police Department, Pekin Fire Department, and Peoria Explosive Ordnance Disposal for the responsible manner that the issue of detonating the explosive. He felt the community was properly notified by well trained officers.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
James A Schramm	Council Member	Present	5:22 PM
Michael Garrison	Council Member	Present	5:02 PM
Lloyd Orrick	Mayor Pro-Tem	Present	5:02 PM
John P Abel	Council Member	Present	5:02 PM
Michael Ritchason	Council Member	Present	5:25 PM
Mark Luft	Council Member	Present	5:26 PM
John McCabe	Mayor	Present	5:02 PM

APPROVE AGENDA

3.1. Motion to: **Approve agenda**

RESULT:	**ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Mark Luft, Council Member
SECONDER:	John P Abel, Council Member
AYES:	Schramm, Garrison, Orrick, Abel, Ritchason, Luft, McCabe

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

4.1. Motion to: **Approval of Minutes February 26, 2018**

RESULT:	**ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Mark Luft, Council Member
SECONDER:	Michael Ritchason, Council Member
AYES:	Schramm, Garrison, Orrick, Abel, Ritchason, Luft, McCabe

PUBLIC INPUT

Ann Witzig spoke on 8.1 briefly. She didn't realize we had 2 TIF funds. She also didn't realize there was a south end TIF with any money in it. She said she pulled the budget and history of 2 TIF's. She questioned whether or not the businesses pay into TIF or use money from uptown TIF. She believes someone should know if we are voting on it. Mayor McCabe stated that the TIF will be addressed when it comes up for discussion. Ms. Witzig responded that she felt that Council was hiding it since we are voting on it or that Council must not know.

Jim Mangan also spoke on 8.1. He stated that the City is going to give up to $175K of TIF and that the taxpayers receive nothing from PAL owners of this gift. Mr. Mangan would like to see Council amend the resolution tonight and change the wording to where it reads that a minimum of 50% of employees of the PAL organization hire their workers from inside city limits and inside of Pekin. He believes they desire serious opportunities to be employed there. He recommends Council remove item 4c of the resolution that the city is agreeing to pay 5 years of PAL Tech property taxes. He believes that the unnecessary inducement puts an added burden on city taxpayers. He states that the City has already made a verbal agreement with owners several months ago. Mr. Mangan questioned how that happened without authorization from Council. He would have thought Council approved someone negotiating a plan. He ended by reiterating that if Council does not remove 4c then he would change his request from 50% of city employees to 70%. He thinks the public should get something for their gift to PAL technologies.

Bill Fleming commented that he applauds efforts for 8.1, the Inducement Resolution. He believes that it is a great use of TIF, bringing back good paying household jobs.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor McCabe presented three items on the consent agenda approved by Omnibus vote by the Council.

6.1. Police Department Stats - January 2018

6.2. Resolution No. 81-17/18 Publication as of December 31, 2017 Zoning Map of the City of Pekin

6.3. Receive and File Bids for Washington St., Park Ave, 4th and 5th Street Sewer Lining Project

6.4. Motion to: **Motion to Approve Consent Agenda**

RESULT:	**ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Michael Garrison, Council Member
SECONDER:	Mark Luft, Council Member
AYES:	Schramm, Garrison, Orrick, Abel, Ritchason, Luft, McCabe

PRESENTATION

7.1. Presentation of the City of Pekin National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit for MS4 Program

Mike Guerra presented the City National Pollution Discharge Elimination small municipalities storm sewer permit that are in NPDES MS4 and as part of that requirement we need to allow for a public meeting and a Council Meeting constitutes as a public meeting to allow public input on to that permit. Mr. Guerra gave a bit of background, we have two NPDES permits - one for wastewater treatment plant and our combination sewer and a separate permit for our actual storm sewers in town for them to be discharged into natural waters. We have 6 total drainage basins we drain to and that includes the combination system, so when you remove the combination system we have 5 drainage basins where we drain to Lost Creek to the South, Brentwood Ditch to the middle of the City and Lick Creek to the North and a couple of systems that discharge directly in the Illinois River. Under the MS4 we estimated that we serve $23K people. He explained that there are 6 requirements for the permit. The first requirement is public education and outreach - The City is a member of the Central Illinois Communities for NPDES compliance. The second component is public participation involvement which is a requirement written into this permit which is why we need to have it at a public meeting for public input. The third requirement is illicit discharge detection elimination, we try to inspect all of our outfalls on a 3-4 year rotation. We now do an individual inspection on the Brentwood Ditch at two locations to observe quality of storm water being discharge. The fourth requirement is the construction site runoff control. If you drive around construction sites you will notice that silk fences are required on construction drives and then we try to eliminate any track out and follow up with our construction permits through erosion permits. The fifth requirement is the post construction run off control. We systematically go around and review detention basins or any controls that were put in, mostly erosion controls. The final requirement is the pollution, prevention and good housekeeping. This one falls in with the City where we see the street sweeping to try to eliminate the sediment off the streets so they don't go into the catch basins and get discharged into the waters. Other requirements such as salt being put into salt barn so that rain doesn't create hydrochorides into the storm water. That concluded Mr. Guerra's brief overview of what the MS4 permit is and the requirements. Any resident can provide input or comments they may have to put on the MS4 permit. Mr. Guerra can take any questions or receive comments. Mayor McCabe asked if this entailed holding a public hearing or some sort of public gathering to receive input from the public or is this done through some other means. Mr. Guerra explained that it is done through this Council Meeting. The item was put on the agenda and minutes are created that we did present it to the public, no public hearing is held. Additional meetings can be held but its a requirement of one per year. Last year we held it around this time in March at a Council Meeting which is typical of what most communities do.

Jim McNish approached the podium to ask which part was a presentation and report. Mr. Guerra responded that it is one in the same and wanted to education the public on what the requirements are.

NEW BUSINESS

8.1. Inducement Resolution No. 82-17/18
Authorizing Actions in Connection with the PAL Health Technologies II TIF Redevelopment Project

City Manager gave a brief outline and expressed that this was a very exciting day to be working with PAL. He explained that the former owners closed last fall and we wouldn't have the business going forward. City was contacted a few weeks ago and in a matter of 5 days we were able to meet with new owners and present them with an incentive package. We are asking Council to approve to reopen the business here in Pekin. He explained that the incentives are based on TIF. The Central Business Tiff - that does have money in it - and the intention is to move TIF funds from one or another, the funds would be coming From Central Business District. The Southern TIF does not have revenue, it's a very young tiff, and only been in existence for a very short period of time. We would have to pay back expenses put forward to establish TIF district. That's why it hasn't seen a cash positive in that fund, which is typical until funding for establishment is taken care of. Mr. Carson continued to explain that the incentive is up to $300k and it's tied to a match. First $150K is a dollar for dollar match on TIF related expenses. PAL will be making an investment in their facility. Next part is based on employment numbers. Hopeful they will reach the maximum ones and rebate the City property tax over the next 5 years. The 3rd component is a job retraining component which we would pay up to $25K to match from any assistance from state they receive. The last component is that any enterprise zone fees would be waived. Mr. Carson expressed that it was probably one of the most enjoyable meetings he has had with owners being receptive to the City, they were very thankful that we want them to come back to Pekin. This is the City's way of showing these jobs are important in the community and we want a long lasting relationship with them going forward. Mayor McCabe asked with regards of transferring money from one TIF to the other, to enlighten us on the approximate dollar amount in other TIF districts at this time. Mr. Carson explained that he didn't want to give Mayor McCabe an exact number, but over $1M, closer to $2M, but doesn't want to give the Mayor a number that's not accurate.

Mayor McCabe then focused his attention to Dr. Rossi and asked that he come to the podium in case there are questions from the Council. Mayor McCabe pointed out that one of the comments was asking who was going to be employed. Mayor McCabe asked to confirm his understanding that Dr. Rossi has been reaching out to former employees. Dr. Rossi responded that it is correct. Mayor McCabe also asked if they are doing some sort of public advertising for jobs. Dr. Rossi responded yes. He explained that they have not quite gotten into the public advertisement phase of the jobs but will be moving in that direction shortly. His first order of business is to tackle deep into that but the initial phase of the project was to get the plant up and running. They have had tremendous requests for employment from previous PAL employees but will be opening that up to public for jobs for others. He said the first date for production is Monday, April 2nd. After they get the ball rolling here they will be able to pick up momentum and have income coming in the door and not just bleeding red like right now. They have around 27 total people hired and have agreements with. Mayor McCabe asked Dr. Rossi to tell Council if the employees are residents of community. Dr. Rossi responded that out of the employees of the production side a large majority are residents of Pekin, IL.

Council Member Abel commented that he thinks it's great that they decided to come back and resurrect the existing facility. The people, Tony, Mark and Katy putting this together and competition says a lot for the city. He appreciates them coming back and spoke to other employees that are excited. Dr. Rossi responded that he really appreciates it. He believed Mr. Carson did a great job and explained that the idea was to bring it to McClean Co. Dr. Rossi also owns Sound Choice here in Pekin but he is from Morton, IL. He explained that he has family that lived in Pekin and he's a big fan. He expressed that Mr. Carson did an excellent job, the whole staff he believes just got a proposal together for them in 5 days. McClean Co. - four months into it hadn't receive anything from them. He is flabbergasted by how they stepped up to the plate and did heck of a job. It was a no brainer after speaking with him. So he really appreciates everything these guys have done.

Mayor McCabe commented that he who hesitates is lost.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Lloyd Orrick, Mayor Pro-Tem
SECONDER:	Michael Garrison, Council Member
AYES:	Schramm, Garrison, Orrick, Abel, Ritchason, Luft, McCabe

8.2. Award the contract for the Washington St., Park Ave, 4th and 5th Street Sewer Lining Project

City Engineer Mike Guerra stated that he had received comment on how places were selected which were based on the type of sewers, size of sewers and the need for rehabilitation. One had previously collapsed that a temporary repair was done on and we are trying to secure that location on Parke Ave. from 5th to 6th Street. The other location on Washington from 5th to 6th there was a known sinkhole that we had semi-secured so that needs to be fully rehabilitated. In addition he adds that the sewer line on 4th is a bricked up sewer with most of the grout gone between the pipes. He explains that is how the locations were selected. Moving forward we will looking at additional brick sewer locations. Council Member Orrick asked where the money will come from and the time frame where we can get into the preventative mode. Mr. Guerra explained that it would come from where it was budgeted, the Wastewater Fund. Mr. Guerra continued to explain that last year and this year we are rehabilitating locations that were more of an emergency where problems have occurred where we did temporary patches. Brick sewers are hard to repair under normal circumstances, we are hopeful that we won't have any more requests in locations with known sinkholes, idea would be in 10 years. Council Member Luft asked when it would begin. Mr. Guerra responded soon once its awarded. They have to clean the sewers, inspect them and get full measurements. There are time frames to get it completed and they anticipate in the next few months. As a resident concern, as part of the specifications they are required to notify every resident so they are aware that it’s occurring prior to start by letter or door hangers would be place on doors of the residences.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Michael Ritchason, Council Member
SECONDER:	Lloyd Orrick, Mayor Pro-Tem
AYES:	Schramm, Garrison, Orrick, Abel, Ritchason, Luft, McCabe

8.3. Resolution No. 84-17/18 Supplemental MFT Resolution for Section 75-00107-20-ES

City Manager, Anthony Carson noted that as stated in the resolution that it was a book keeping adjustment. City Engineer, Mike Guerra informed Council that there is new staff at IDOT and this came under review and came to the attention that there was a paperwork issue that needed resolved resulting from 2015 overpaying of dues to PPUATS. The next year we were given a credit on our bill and we passed a resolution of the amount of due. The credit applied should have been for the prior year. He explained that paperwork is to be submitted to reapply the credit to the proper fiscal year, no money was actually spent. This will close out IDOT's paperwork issue.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	James A Schramm, Council Member
SECONDER:	John P Abel, Council Member
AYES:	Schramm, Garrison, Orrick, Abel, Ritchason, Luft, McCabe

ANY OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COUNCIL

Linda Harmon spoke at the podium regarding the known issue on Vista Grande Drive. She states that seven property owners have been affected. She explained that last year a considerable amount of money was spent having all the area re-contoured with heaving equipment so water will run to the street and not around the foundation. She pleaded to Council for help to fix the issue.

Jim Mangan spoke to ask for an update on IDOT giving Court Street to the City. He continued to ask Council and the Mayor in their opinion what head of household income is.

John McNish spoke about item 7.1 on the agenda. He commented that he will follow up since he felt he did not receive a presentation or report. He also asked about the fees showing for arbitration with the wastewater issue and North Pekin. Mayor McCabe responded that we are still in arbitration and we do not have an answer yet. Mr. McNish continued to ask if the City Treasurer will be giving a report. He then commented that he feels the staff gives all notices to the Peoria Journal Star with the exception of zoning which went to the Pekin Times.

City Manager Tony Carson thanked Dr. Rossi for reopening PAL Technologies and thanked Council and the Mayor for support. He pointed out that Mr. Rothert and Ms. Shackelford did a great job putting the package together. Mr. Carson stated that we have a team that does it along with the building department and a lot of time and effort was put into things you don’t see as successes. He explained that the City competed all around the country for those, one winner and hundreds of losers.

Council Member Ritchason reminded everyone that the Hometown Hero Banner's deadline is April 1. He pointed out that Deputy City Clerk, Nicole Stewart put that information on the website and asked that everyone take a look.

Council Member Orrick addressed Linda Harmon's input on the water problems. He commented that it didn’t start until Veteran's Drive was under construction and finished. He felt that it fell under construction site control on this discharge and post construction run off control. He asked Mr. Guerra to see if the permit was met and how it was met. He would like a response on that in the near future.

Council Member Abel reminded everyone that tomorrow is Election Day and to get out and vote.

Council Member Luft agreed with Council Member Orrick regarding the comments made on Vista Grande Drive. He stated that he would like to set some figures when we go into budget workshops and what it would cost to resolve the issue. He then thanked Dr. Rossi for joining the area. He commented that it’s a good day for Pekin and a great job by staff.

Mayor John McCabe informed everyone that if anyone has questions regarding the sewer discharge presentation to address those with Mr. Guerra. He followed up that the household job response is a fluid question. The Mayor would like to think that a family of four would have enough money to abstain a lifestyle without any assistance from a government agency.

He explained that putting a dollar amount on that is difficult to do. He stated that the people from PAL will be giving household jobs.

EXECUTIVE SESSION 5 ILCS 120/2 (C) (1.) PERSONNEL AND (21.) MINUTES CLOSED UNDER THE ACT

10.1. Motion to: **Motion to Move to Executive Session**
The motion was made to move to closed session. City Clerk Sue McMillan read the motion to move to Executive Session 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) for the purpose of discussing (1.) Personnel and (21.) Minutes closed under the Act and (11.) Litigation.

RESULT:	**ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Mark Luft, Council Member
SECONDER:	James A Schramm, Council Member
AYES:	Schramm, Garrison, Orrick, Abel, Ritchason, Luft, McCabe

NEW BUSINESS

11.1. **Resolution No. 83-17/18 Regarding Minutes of Executive Session Meetings of the City Council of the City of Pekin, Illinois**
Following the Closed Session review of unreleased minutes of Council took action to release executive session minutes as previously discussed.

RESULT:	**ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Michael Ritchason, Council Member
SECONDER:	Mark Luft, Council Member
AYES:	Schramm, Garrison, Orrick, Abel, Ritchason, Luft, McCabe

ADJOURN

Motion was made by Council Member Orrick, seconded by Council Member Ritchason to adjourn. The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 6:55 p.m.