

**City Council Minutes
January 17, 2023**

**REGULAR MEETING at City Hall
Petersburg, Illinois**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Rick Snyder called the City Council to order at 7:04 p.m.

II. PRELIMINARY MATTERS

A. Members present were Mayor Rick Snyder, Aldermen Heidi Hiser, Andrew Gain, Bruce Gorman, Rick Sonnemaker, and Mike Allison. Also present were City Clerk Ken Ortman, Treasurer David Frick, and City Attorney Jason Brokaw. Alderman Nathan Grosboll was absent.

B. Mayor Snyder led the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

C. A motion was made by Alderman Allison and seconded by Alderman Gorman to approve the agenda as amended. VOTES: Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes; Hiser, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

III. CITY CLERK

A. The City Clerk presented the Warrant List and Accounts Payable. A motion was made by Alderman Gain and seconded by Alderman Gorman to approve payment of the bills as listed on the Warrant List and Accounts Payable. VOTES: Gorman, yes; Hiser, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

Alderman Grosboll arrived at 7:09 p.m.

B. A motion was made by Alderman Sonnemaker and seconded by Alderman Gain to approve the minutes of January 4, 2023 Regular Meeting. VOTES: Hiser, yes; Grosboll, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

C. A motion made by Alderman Gorman seconded by Alderman Gain to approve the minutes of the December 20, 2022 Tax Levy Hearing. VOTES: Grosboll, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes; Hiser, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

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IV. HEARING OF CITIZENS

1. Mable Ruppel addressed the Council in regards to her water bill charge. The matter was referred to the Water Committee.
2. Michael Walker presented a proposal to the Council about adopting a City Flag. He presented a design for the members to consider.
3. Roseann Nance requested the closure of streets for the Pioneer Spirit Triathlon Saturday May 6, 2023 from 8 a.m. and noon.

V. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

A. Water

1. Water Collectors Report. Georgia Ed presented the monthly Report for December 2022. We sold 511,000 gal more that last year, over 11,000 gal more than last year and ytd over \$96,000 over last year. A motion made by Alderman Gorman seconded by Alderman Gain to approve the Collectors Report and adjustments as presented.
2. Water Superintendents report for December. Started work on Toboggen Hill sewer. The Mayor had a meeting with the Lake Asso. in regard to the grease issue at the Lake Pump Station.

B. Street

1. Street Department Report. White Ford had engine issue and a short in the wiring. Repairs to the Vac Truck.

C. Zoning

None

VI. OFFICERS' REPORTS

A. Mayor's Report

1. Executive Session. A motion made by Alderman Gorman seconded by Alderman Gain to go into Executive Session under 5/ILCS/120/2 (c) (3) Appointment or Removal of Public Officers, 5/ILCS/120/2

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(c) (5) Purchase of Lease of Real Estate and 5/ILCS/120/2 (c) (11) Litigation. VOTES: Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes; Hiser, yes; Grosboll, yes; Gain, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

2. A motion made by Alderman Gorman seconded by Alderman Gain to return to Regular Session. VOTES: Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes; Hiser, yes; Grosboll, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.
3. The Mayor presented the cost for the railings discussed in previous meetings for the West side of the Square. The price is \$978.00 for all materials. The City will do all the labor. A motion made by Alderman Allison seconded by Alderman Hiser to accept the bid for the railings on the square. VOTES: Gorman, yes; Hiser, yes; Grosboll, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.
4. Temporary Chairman for Mayors Vacation. Vacation for the Mayor will be February 28 to the first week in March. A motion made by Alderman Sonnemaker seconded by Alderman Hiser to appoint Alderman Andrew Gain as the Temporary Chairman in the Mayors absence. VOTES: Hiser, yes; Grosboll, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.
5. **Resolution 2023-02 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF SURPLUS REAL ESTATE.** A motion made by Alderman Gain seconded by Alderman Gain to approve **Resolution 2023-02 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF SURPLUS REAL ESTATE.** VOTES: Grosboll, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes, Hiser, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.
6. Purchase of 207 S. 7th St. A motion made by Alderman Gorman seconded by Alderman Grosboll to purchase the building and lot at 207 S. 7th St. with the Mayor to work out the details. VOTES: Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes; Hiser, yes; Grosboll, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.
7. Question by Alderman Gain in regard to when we start the new budget process.

B. Treasurer's Report

The Treasures report was presented. A motion made by Alderman Gorman

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seconded by Alderman Gain to approve the Treasures Report as presented. VOTES: Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes; Hiser, yes; Grosboll, yes; Gain, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

VI. STANDING COMMITTEES' REPORT

None

A. Building and Grounds

B. Fire

C. Parks and Playgrounds

D. Personnel

E. Streets

F. Water/Sewer

G. Police

H. Finance

VII. SPECIAL COMMITTEES' REPORT

None

X. Old Business

1. New fence is going in at JC Park.
2. January 23 will be the first meeting of the Dan Williams Committee for cleaning up the river bank.
3. Discussion on after hours water issues.

X. NEW BUSINESS

1. Water Committee set meeting date and time. January 24, 2023 7:00 p.m.
2. Personnel Committee set meeting date and time. January 24, 2023 7:15 p.m.

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XII. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Alderman Gorman and seconded by Alderman Gain to adjourn the meeting. VOTES: Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes; Hiser, yes; Grosboll, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED. Meeting Adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Kenneth Ortman, City Clerk

Approved: February 7, 2023