

**City Council Minutes  
May 17, 2022**

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

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Rick Snyder called the City Council to order at 7:07 p.m.

**II. PRELIMINARY MATTERS**

A. Members present were Mayor Rick Snyder, Aldermen Kevin Molohon, Andrew Gain, Rick Sonnemaker, and Mike Allison. Also present were City Clerk Ken Ortman, Treasurer David Frick, and City Attorney Jason Brokaw. Alderman Nathan Grosboll and Bruce Gorman were 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 Gain to approve the agenda as presented. VOTES: Sonnemaker, yes; Molohon, 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. Discussion was held about adding the bill from the The Menard Cpunty Highway Department for the payment for replacing the bridge on west Douglas Street. A motion was made by Alderman Gain and seconded by Alderman Allison to approve payment of the bills as listed on the Warrant List and Accounts Payable and adding to the warrant list the bill from the Menard County Highway Department in the amount of \$86,516.07 for the Cities portion of the West Douglas Bridge replacement. VOTES: Molohon, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

B. A motion was made by Alderman Sonnemaker and seconded by Alderman Gain to approve the minutes of May 3, 2022 Regular Meeting. VOTES: Molohon, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes;. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

C. A motion made by Alderman Gain seconded by Alderman Sonnemaker to approve the minutes of the May 2, 2022 Personnel/Police Committees

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Meeting. VOTES: Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Molohon, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

**IV. HEARING OF CITIZENS**

Alderman Gorman arrived at 7:15 p.m.

1. Darren Plamer with Faith Church requests the use of Hurie Park to put up a tent on September 23<sup>rd</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> for Church Tent Revival. A motion made by Alderman Gain seconded by Alderman Allison to allow the Faith Church to set up a tent at Hurie Park for the purpose of a Revival Sept 23-27, 2022. VOTES: Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes; Molohon, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.
2. Lucus Konecny asked about the sewer in Village Green.
3. Richard Dennis commented on the issue with the residents on West Washington Street.

**V. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS**

**A. Water**

1. Water Collector Georgia Ed gave the Water Collectors Report. The Department is at the end of the physical year. Total sales for the year are only \$51.59 difference from last year. A motion made by Alderman Gain seconded by Alderman Allison to approve the Water Collectors Report for April 2022. VOTES: Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes; Molohon, yes; Grosboll, yes; Gain, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.
2. Superintendents Report. Replaced two non working fire hydrants, one on Washington St. and one on Lincoln St. Our new generator for the Water Plant is in and will be installed next week. We'll return the borrowed one from Athens at that time. The School will start their project next week.

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**B. Street**

1. We're going with Engineer's recommendation on oil and chip road project.
2. Alderman Gain had some small projects he mentioned on overgrowth and weeds.

Alderman Grosboll arrived at 7:40 p.m.

**C. Police**

1. FOP wage reopening discussion and vote. The Mayor and Police Chief met with the FOP about wages. The FOP has sent a MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING in regards to the 5/1/22 wage matrix to increase the starting wage by \$4.00 per hour and adjusting the steps accordingly. The 5/1/23 wage matrix by increasing the starting wage by \$1.00 per hour and adjusting the steps accordingly. A motion made by Alderman Gorman seconded by Alderman Allison to approve the MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING with the FOP. VOTES: Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes; Molohon, yes; Grosboll, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.
2. Recommendation on Police Hires. A motion made by Alderman Gain seconded by Alderman Allison to approve the hiring of Michael Dosier and Dawson Farley as police officers effective 5/17/22 with the union starting rate of \$22.36 per hour. VOTES: Gorman, yes; Molohon, yes; Grosboll, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

**VI. OFFICERS' REPORTS**

**A. Mayor's Report**

1. Auditor's Engagement Letter Approval. A motion made by Alderman Gorman seconded by Alderman Gain to accept the Auditors Engagement Letter naming Michael J. Feriozzi as our City Auditor for 2022. VOTES: Molohon, yes; Grosboll, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.
2. Ordinance 2022.03 **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING CITY EXPENDITURES PENDING AND PRECEDING ADOPTION OF ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS**

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**ORDINANCE.** A motion made by Alderman Gorman seconded by Alderman Gain to approve the Ordinance 2022-03 **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING CITY EXPENDITURES PENDING AND PRECEDING ADOPTION OF ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE.** VOTES: Grosboll, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes, Molohon, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

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**B. Treasurer's Report**

The Treasures report was presented. A motion made by Alderman Gain seconded by Alderman Sonnemaker to approve the Treasures Report as presented. VOTES: Grosboll, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes, Molohon, 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

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**X. Old Business**


1. The Mayor mentioned that we finally found all the easements to Village Green for their water line that we can use for the new sewer lines.

**X. NEW BUSINESS**

**XII. ADJOURNMENT**

1. A motion was made by Alderman Gain and seconded by Alderman Grosboll to adjourn the meeting. VOTES: Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes; Molohon, yes; Grosboll, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED. Meeting Adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Kenneth Ortman, City Clerk

Approved: June 7, 2022