

**City Council Minutes  
December 20, 2022**

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

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Rick Snyder called the City Council to order at 7:08 p.m.

**II. PRELIMINARY MATTERS**

A. Members present were Mayor Rick Snyder, Aldermen Heidi Hiser, Nathan Grosboll, Andrew Gain, Bruce Gorman, Rick Sonnemaker, and Mike Allison. Also present were Deputy City Clerk Tracy Ciesler, Treasurer David Frick and City Attorney Jason Brokaw. City Clerk Ken Ortman 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 Gorman and seconded by Alderman Gain to amend the agenda to move up the discussion with Cavan Sullivan from old business to hearing of citizens and accept the agenda as amended. VOTES: Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes; Hiser, yes; Grosboll, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

**III. CITY CLERK**

A. The Deputy City Clerk presented the Warrant List and Accounts Payable and Accounts Payable for December 20, 2022. 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 and Accounts Payable of December 20,2022 as presented. VOTES: Gorman, yes; Hiser, yes; Grosboll, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

B. A motion was made by Alderman Gorman seconded by Alderman Hiser to approve the minutes of December 6, 2022 Regular City Council Meeting. VOTES: Grosboll, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes; Hiser, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

**IV. HEARING OF CITIZENS**

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- A. Cavan Sullivan - Discussion was had about the property located at 1215 E. Clary and zoning issues to open a chicken hatchery. Rick Sonnemaker talked about the neighbors around the location voicing opinions against the hatchery. Gordon Gates, Cavan Sullivans, lawyer spoke on behalf of Cavan about answering any questions that the council had.
2. Thelma Hinton - Discussion on Thurber's Towing located across the street from her house. The mayor said that we are pursuing it.
3. Richard Withers - Spoke on behalf of Cavan Sullivan. He stated that he has bid the job for the foundation of the chicken hatchery and he would like to see this happen so he could get the job.

**V. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS**

**A. Water**

1. Water Collector's Monthly Report. Water Collector Georgia Ed gave the Water Collector's Report for the month of November 2022 with 1 requested adjustment. A motion made by Alderman Gorman seconded by Alderman Allison to approve the Water Collector's Report for November 2022 and the adjustment as presented. VOTES: Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes; Hiser, yes; Grosboll, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.
2. Water Superintendent's Monthly Report. Water Superintendent Dave Troxell gave the Superintendent's Report for November 2022.

**B. Street**

1. Street Superintendent's Monthly Report for November 2022.
2. Alderman Grosboll asked about the no parking signs on 8<sup>th</sup> and Sheridan. The Mayor explained about what they all were and why they are there and why so many.
3. Alderman Hiser asked about the signs on the islands around the square. People have complained about there being too many signs. They would like to see the Do Not Enter signs removed. Mayor Snyder said this could be discussed at a later meeting.

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3. A motion was made by Alderman Gain seconded by Alderman Gorman to approve Resolution 2022-13- Motor Fuel Tax Resolution. VOTES: Grosboll, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes; Hiser, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

**C. Zoning**

1. Attorney Jason Brokaw presented the draft for the City Official Zoning Code Enforcement Officer job description. An Ordinance on this will be voted on at the next meeting.

**VI. OFFICERS' REPORTS**

**A. Mayor's Report**

1. Discussion was had about moving the January meeting to Wednesday January 4<sup>th</sup> instead of Tuesday January 3<sup>rd</sup>. It was decided that we would have the meeting on January 4, 2023.
2. Mayor Snyder said he was approached by a group of ladies that said they did not like the way the sidewalk on the square has the handicap ramps. They stated that the ramps are hard to see and their friend fell on them. They requested that we put up hand rails on the ramps. It was decided that we would check with Snedeker Insurance on this matter.
3. A motion was made by Alderman Gorman seconded by Alderman Gain to approve Ordinance 2022-13 - Menard Electric Agreement. VOTES: Grosboll, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes; Hiser, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.
4. Attorney Jason Brokaw presented the Ordinance draft for repeat offenders of ordinance violations.

**B. Treasurer's Report**

1. The Treasures report was presented by Treasurer David Frick. A motion made by Alderman Gain seconded by Alderman Sonnemaker to approve the Treasures Report as presented. VOTES: Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes; Grosboll, yes; Hiser, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the CARRIED.
2. Audit Exit Conference with Mike Feriozzi. Discussion was held on the 2022 Audit by City Auditor Mike Feriozzi.

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3. The Treasurer presented ORDINANCE 2022-14 ANNUAL TAX LEVY FOR ROAD AND BRIDGE PURPOSE. A motion made by Alderman Gorman seconded by Alderman Gain to approve ORDINANCE 2022-14 ANNUAL TAX LEVY FOR ROAD AND BRIDGE PURPOSE. VOTES: Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes; Grosboll, yes; Hiser, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the CARRIED.

4. The Treasurer presented ORDINANCE 2022-15 LEVY. A MOTION MADE BY Alderman Gorman seconded by Alderman Gain to approve ORDINANCE 2022-15 LEVY. VOTES: Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes; Grosboll, yes; Hiser, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the CARRIED.

**VII. 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**

**VIII. SPECIAL COMMITTEES' REPORT**

None

**IX. Old Business**

None

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**X. NEW BUSINESS**

None

**XI. ADJOURNMENT**

A motion made by Alderman Grosboll seconded by Alderman Allison to adjourn the meeting. VOTES: Hiser, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes; Grosboll, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED. Meeting Adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Tracy Ciesler, Deputy City Clerk

Approved: January 4, 2023