

**City Council Minutes  
February 20, 2024**

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

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Andrew Gain called the City Council to order at 7:00 p.m.

**II. PRELIMINARY MATTERS**

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

B. Chairman Andrew Gain 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 Sonnemaker to approve the agenda as presented. VOTES: Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes; Hiser, yes; Baugher, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes. Chairman Gain declared the MOTION CARRIED.

**III. CITY CLERK**

A. The City Clerk presented the Warrant List and Accounts Payable. A motion was made by Alderman Sonnemaker 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; Baugher, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes. Chairman Gain declared the MOTION CARRIED.

B. A motion was made by Alderman Gorman and seconded by Alderman Sonnemaker to approve the minutes of February 6, 2024 Regular Meeting. VOTES: Gorman, yes; Hiser, yes; Baugher, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes. Chairman Gain declared the MOTION CARRIED.

C. A motion was made by Alderman Gorman and seconded by Alderman Sonnemaker to approve the minutes of February 5, 2024 Police Committee Meeting. VOTES: Baugher, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes; Hiser, yes. Chairman Gain declared the MOTION CARRIED.

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**III. HEARING OF CITIZENS**

- A. City Attorney Jason Brokaw spoke giving brief ground rules for the Hearing of Citizens.
- B. Greg Tibbs - Wanted to be contacted if any other situations would be changing on Monroe Street in front of the Elementary School. He wanted to know why the no parking signs were installed on Monroe between 11<sup>th</sup> St. and 12<sup>th</sup> St.
- C. Alissa Bilyeu - Made a statement on the bus parking situation on Monroe Street.
- D. Tracy Thornton - Made a statement on the decisions of the City Council.
- E. Jill Gum - Had comments about the bus parking issue on Monroe Street.
- F. Bill Chick - Provided comments about the committee formed and what the school is doing now for the kids.
- G. Michael Rasmussen - Provided comments about the Open Meetings Act.
- H. Thomas Zimmerman - Had comments about the No Parking on Monroe Street.

**V. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS**

**A. Water**

- 1. Water Collector's Report - The Water Collectors Report was presented. A motion made by Alderman Gorman seconded by Alderman Sonnemaker to approve the Water Collector's Report as Presented. VOTES: Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes; Hiser, yes; Baugher, yes. Chairman Gain declared the MOTION CARRIED. Alderman Gorman asked if we can include the adjustments and payment agreements in the motion. Alderman Gorman amended his motion to include the adjustments and payment agreements also as presented. VOTES: Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes; Hiser, yes; Baugher, yes. Chairman Gain declared the MOTION CARRIED.

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2. Water Superintendent's Report - Water Superintendent's Report was presented.

**B. Street**

1. Street Superintendent's Report - Brian Whitehurst gave the Street Superintendent's Report. White Dodge went into the shop of no heat. Waiting on the Overhead Door Co. to install the new garage door. Took down Christmas Decorations. Brush and tree work at Hurie Park and the Girls Ball Diamonds.

**C. Zoning**

None

**VI. OFFICERS' REPORTS**

**A. Mayor's Report**

None

**B. Treasurer**

1. David Frick presented the Treasurer's Report. A motion made by Alderman Gorman seconded by Alderman Allison to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. VOTES: Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes; Hiser, yes; Baugher, yes; Gain, yes. Chairman Gain declared the MOTION CARRIED.

**VI. STANDING COMMITTEES' REPORT**

None

**A. Building and Grounds**

**B. Fire**

**C. Parks and Playgrounds**

**D. Personnel**

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E. Streets

F. Water/Sewer

G. Police

H. Finance

VII. SPECIAL COMMITTEES' REPORT

None

X. Old Business

None

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1. Alderman Hiser had a question about TIF Applications fy 2024/2025.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Alderman Allison and seconded by Alderman Gorman to adjourn the meeting. VOTES: Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes; Hiser, yes; Baugher, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes. Chairman Gain declared the MOTION CARRIED.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Kenneth Ortman, City Clerk

Approved: March 5, 2024