

**City Council Minutes**  
**April 20, 2021**

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

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Rick Snyder called the City Council to order at 7:02 p.m.

**II. PRELIMINARY MATTERS**

A. Members present were Mayor Rick Snyder, Aldermen Kevin Molohon, Nathan Grosboll, Andrew Gain, Bruce Gorman, Rick Sonnemaker, and Mike Allison. Also present were City Clerk Ken Ortman, Treasurer David Frick, and City Attorney Sam Bobor.

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 Gain and seconded by Alderman Gorman to approve the agenda as presented. VOTES: Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes; Molohon, yes; Grosboll, 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 Sonnemaker to approve payment of the bills as listed on the Warrant List and Accounts Payable. VOTES: Gorman, yes; Molohon, yes; Grosboll, 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 April 6, 2021 Regular Meeting. VOTES: Molohon, yes; Grosboll, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, abstain. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

C. A motion made by Alderman Gorman seconded by Alderman Gain to approve the minutes of the April 13, 2021 Finance Committee Meeting. VOTES: Grosboll, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes, Molohon, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

D. A motion made by Alderman Gorman seconded by Alderman Gain to approve the minutes of the April 13, 2021 Water Committee Meeting. VOTES: Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes;

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Molohon, yes; Grosboll, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

E. A motion made by Alderman Sonnemaker seconded by Alderman Gain to approve the minutes of the April 14, 2021 Personnel Committee Meeting. VOTES: Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, abstain; Molohon, abstain; Grosboll, yes; Gain, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

**IV. HEARING OF CITIZENS**

A. Gary Eckles spoke about the Branson House Bed and Breakfast's Special Use Application for Restaurant Service. The Mayor stated the Faucons have pulled their application. Gary said than he was done speaking at this time. The May 24, 2021 Planning Commission Meeting will be canceled.

**V. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS**

**A. Water**

1. Water Collector Georgia Ed gave her report for the month of March 2021. The water Department sold 387,000 gallons of water total which makes an increase of about \$75,000.00 for the year. A motion made by Alderman Gorman seconded by Alderman Grosboll to approve the Water Collectors Report and adjustments as presented. VOTES: Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes; Molohon, yes; Grosboll, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

2. Water Superintendent's Report. Dave Troxell gave the Report for the month of March 2021. Treated 8.5 million gallons of potable water. Well 9 repaired and should be covered by insurance.

**B. Street**

1. Street Superintendent's Report. Dave Troxell gave the Report for the month of March 2021.

2. **ORDINANCE 2021-04 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF SURPLUS PROPERTY OWNED BY THE CITY OF PETERSBURG, ILLINOIS.** A motion made by Alderman Gain seconded by Alderman Allison to approve **ORDINANCE 2021-04 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF SURPLUS PROPERTY OWNED BY THE CITY OF PETERSBURG, ILLINOIS.** VOTES: Gorman, yes; Molohon, yes;

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Grosboll, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

3. Open Mowing Bids.

Damon Wattigny	\$31,900.00 per year
Alan Gardner	\$24,997.00 per year
Chris Ortman	\$29,400.00 per year
James L. Wilson	\$31,700.00 per year

A motion made by Alderman Gorman seconded by Alderman Allison to accept the bid from Alan Gardner \$24,997.00 per year with a three year option. VOTES: Molohon, yes; Grosboll, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

**C. Fire**

1. **ORDINANCE 2021-03 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DISPOSAL OF SURPLUS PROPERTY OWNED BY THE CITY OF PETERSBURG, ILLINOIS.**

A motion made by Alderman Gorman seconded by Alderman Gain to approve **ORDINANCE 2021-03 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DISPOSAL OF SURPLUS PROPERTY OWNED BY THE CITY OF PETERSBURG, ILLINOIS.**

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

2. Approval of new firefighter Crystal Honkala. A motion made by Alderman Gorman seconded by Alderman Allison to approve the appointment of Crystal Honkala as a Probationary Firefighter.

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

**D. Zoning**

1. TIFF Application for Historical Society. Discussion was held on the TIFF Application. Because they are a Not-For-Profit and don't contribute tax money to the City, the council on consensus has declined the Historical Society's TIFF Application.

2. Withdraw of Special use Permit for the Branson House Bed and Breakfast.

3. Discussion on Zoning Ordinance Update.

**VI. OFFICERS' REPORTS**

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**A. Mayor's Report**

1. Special Hearing Location. Discussion held on a location to hold a Public Hearing on the Sewer Rates. A motion made by Alderman Gorman seconded by Alderman Gain to make arrangements with the High School Commons to hold the Public Hearing for Sewer Rates. VOTES: Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes; Molohon, yes; Grosboll, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

2. The County Highway Department made a request to use the Vac Truck to help clean out some of their culverts from time to time. A motion made by Alderman Gorman seconded by Alderman Allison to draft an Intergovernmental Agreement for the County's use of the City's Vac Truck. VOTES: Gorman, yes; Molohon, yes; Grosboll, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

3. City has received \$111,880.86 as the Grant Money for the completion of the Square Streetscape.

**B. Treasurer's Report**

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

2. Set Budget meeting for April 27, 2021 will do Street and General.

**VI. STANDING COMMITTEES' REPORT**

**A. Building and Grounds**

**B. Fire**

**C. Parks and Playgrounds**

**D. Personnel**

1. Discussion on elimination the licenses steps to the pay scale for employees.

**E. Streets**

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F. Water/Sewer

G. Police

H. Finance

VII. SPECIAL COMMITTEES' REPORT

None

X. Old Business

1. April 29, 2021 the Mayor will be meeting with the County and Broughton Construction on start date for the bridge removal.

X. NEW BUSINESS

None

XII. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Alderman Gain and seconded by Alderman Allison to adjourn the meeting. VOTES: Grosboll, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes, Molohon, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED. Meeting Adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Kenneth Ortman, City Clerk

Approved: May 4, 2021