

**City Council Minutes
May 19, 2020**

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

ZOOM WEB CONFERENCE

Dial-In Number:1-312-626-6799 Meeting Identification 851 9148 6286
<https://zoom.us/j/85191486286>

I. ALL 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, City Clerk Ken Ortman, Treasurer David Frick, and Deputy City Clerk Tracy Ciesler. Present via video/audio Aldermen Kevin Molohon, Bruce Gorman, Rick Sonnemaker, Mike Allison and City Attorney John Gabala. Alderman Nate Grosboll and Andrew Gain were absent.

B. Mayor Snyder dispensed with 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; Molohon, 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 Gorman and seconded by Alderman Allison to approve payment of the bills as listed and corrected on the Warrant List and Accounts Payable. VOTES: Gorman, yes; Molohon, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

B. A motion was made by Alderman Gorman and seconded by Alderman Molohon to approve the minutes of May 5, 2020 Regular Meeting. VOTES: Molohon, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

Alderman Gain arrived at 7:07 p.m.

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B. A motion made by Alderman Gorman seconded by Alderman Gain to approve the minutes of the May 12, 2020 Finance Committee. VOTES: Gain, yes; Allison, abstain; Sonnemaker, abstain; Gorman, yes, Molohon, yes; Mayor Snyder, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

IV. HEARING OF CITIZENS

Jennifer Servis spoke on the Jeepin With Lincoln event set for June 13, 2020. Because of the virus situation she would like to change the date to October 3, 2020 to allow the state to get opened up. On consensus of the Council, they will allow the change.

V. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

A. Water

A. Discussion on the Water Collector's Report. A motion made by Alderman Gorman seconded by Alderman Allison to approve the Water Collectors Report and adjustments as presented. VOTES: Gain, yes; Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes; Molohon, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

B. The Water Superintendent's Report was presented by the Mayor. The mayor mentioned that the City was down sandbagging the area of the lift station.

B. Street

A. The Street Department Report was presented by the Mayor. Working on sidewalks around the square.

C. Zoning

1. John Rammage presented the Zoning Department Report. The mayor would like to appoint Brian Conklin to the Zoning Board of Appeals. He lives at 8179 Circle Oak Drive Petersburg, IL 62675. A motion made by Alderman Gorman seconded by Alderman Allison to appoint Brian Conklin to the Zoning Board of Appeals. VOTES: Allison, yes; Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes; Molohon, yes; Gain, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

2. John Rammage presented 4 Façade Improvement Grant Applications.

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- A. Law Building Trust
101 E Douglas Street
Project Total \$6760.00 Grant Total \$3380.00

- B. Menard County Farm Bureau
101 E. Jefferson
Project Total \$5350.00 Grant Total \$2675.00

- C. Styles N More Tray and Amy Thornton
110 E. Jackson
Project Total \$12000.00 Grant Total \$6000.00

- D. Roseview Flowers Gregory Mark Ed
102 E Jackson
Project Total \$6595.00 Grant Total \$3297.50

A motion made by Alderman Allison seconded by Alderman Sonnemaker to approve all 4 Façade Improvement Grant Applications. VOTES: Sonnemaker, yes; Gorman, yes; Molohon, yes; Gain, yes; Allison, yes. Mayor Snyder declared the MOTION CARRIED.

VI. OFFICERS' REPORTS

A. Mayor's Report

- 1. Retaining Wall on Rutledge. Discussion held on replacing this railroad tile retaining wall that is deteriorating. Getting bids.

- 2. Discussion held on drainage and wall for East side of Vineyard Hills Road.

B. Treasurer's Report

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

- 2. Set next meeting for Finance Committee May 26, 2020. General Fund, Social Security, Civil Defense, Fire Department Reserve, and Police Department Reserve.

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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. Discussion of arbitration with FOP.

X. NEW BUSINESS

1. The mayor was talking to Cathy Ruppel with the County Highway Department who mentioned that the Geothermo Engineer used for the Bridge Project on West Douglas has passed away. The City needs to decide if we want to rebid the Bridge Project or just split the \$3500 fee that he was charging for his services and go with another engineer. By consensus the Council will go with another engineer.
2. The City has a chance to purchase the house Everett Cade 205 S 5th Street, property ID 11-14-424-001. He has moved to Havana. The Mayor will talk to him to verify a price.
3. Alderman Gain discussed the sidewalk at the NW corner of 7th and Monroe St about getting it fixed.
4. Discussion about guttering on the Thurber Towing building.

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XII. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Alderman Allison and seconded by Gorman 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 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth Ortman, City Clerk

Approved: June 2, 2020