

MINUTES OF REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

April 5, 2021

The regular meeting of the Pontiac City Council was held on April 5, 2021. Mayor Alvey called to order the meeting of the City Council at 7:00 P.M.

The City Clerk was directed to call roll, and the following members of the Council were present: Barr, Giovanini, Eckhoff, Kallas, Causer, Bradshaw, Myers, Gabor and Wille.
Absent: Hicks

MEETING OF THE PONTIAC CIVIC CENTER AUTHORITY

Mayor Alvey asked that the record show the same Aldermen present for this meeting as are present for the regular Council meeting: Barr, Giovanini, Eckhoff, Kallas, Causer, Bradshaw, Myers, Gabor, and Wille

Mayor Alvey asked if there was any business to come before the Civic Center Board this evening. Hearing none, he declared the meeting closed.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Alvey stated that there were six items on the consent agenda. He asked if there was a need to have any item removed for later discussion. Hearing none, motion made by Myers, second by Eckhoff that the items on the consent agenda be approved as presented.

A. Motion Myers second by Eckhoff to approve the minutes of the March 15, 2021 City Council meeting. On a roll call vote, motion carried 9-0. Aye votes recorded: Barr, Giovanini, Eckhoff, Kallas, Causer, Bradshaw, Myers, Gabor, and Wille.

B. Motion by Myers, second by Eckhoff to approve the minutes of the March 29, 2021, City Council Special meeting. On a roll call vote, motion carried 9-0. Aye votes recorded: Barr, Giovanini, Eckhoff, Kallas, Causer, Bradshaw, Myers, Gabor, and Wille.

C. Motion by Myers, second by Eckhoff to approve the payment of bills totaling \$419,208.78 from all funds. On a roll call vote, motion carried 9-0. Aye votes recorded: Barr, Giovanini, Eckhoff, Kallas, Causer, Bradshaw, Myers, Gabor, and Wille.

D. Motion by Myers, second by Eckhoff to approve street closings for Relay for Life on August 6, 2021. On a roll call vote, motion carried 9-0. Aye votes recorded: Barr, Giovanini, Eckhoff, Kallas, Causer, Bradshaw, Myers, Gabor, and Wille.

E. Motion by Myers, second by Eckhoff to approve the use of the municipal lot next to the Library on May 6, 2021, for Heartland Community College. On a roll call vote, motion carried 9-0. Aye votes recorded: Barr, Giovanini, Eckhoff, Kallas, Causer, Bradshaw, Myers, Gabor, and Wille.

F. Motion by Myers, second by Eckhoff to approve street closings for Red-Carpet Corridor Festival; Swinging Bridge Festival, GTOAA All Pontiac Cruise & Show; Cruise nights as requested. On a roll call vote, motion carried 9-0. Aye votes recorded: Barr, Giovanini, Eckhoff, Kallas, Causer, Bradshaw, Myers, Gabor, and Wille.

REGULAR AGENDA

A. Ordinance 2021-O-022 - Variance - JC Family Trust

Motion by Myers, second by Bradshaw to approve Ordinance 2021-O-01, an ordinance granting variations of Pontiac Zoning Ordinance. (1) Requirement to pave existing parking lot, (2) Front yard set back and (3) Special Use Permit, as written. On a roll call vote, motion carried 5-4. Aye votes recorded: Giovanini, Eckhoff, Causer, Bradshaw and Myers. Nay votes recorded: Barr, Kallas, Gabor and Wille.

B. Ordinance 2021-O-009 Connection Charge - Westview Drive

Motion by Gabor, second by Barr, to approve Ordinance 2021-O-009, an ordinance establishing connection charge for the Westview Drive Sanitary Sewer Extension project and providing for the payment and collection. On a roll call vote, motion carried 9-0. Aye votes recorded: Barr, Giovanini, Eckhoff, Kallas, Causer, Bradshaw, Myers, Gabor, and Wille.

C. Ordinance 2021-O-010 Connection Charge - Elliott Heiser

Chad Mennenga, owner of Superior Landscaping, asked Council to consider a lesser tap on fee for Commercial properties as it is stated in the Ordinance higher than the residential tap on fees. Costs were given as explanation of difference.

Motion by Causer, second by Myers to approve Ordinance 2021-O-010, an ordinance establishing connection charge for the Elliott Heisner Sanitary Sewer Extension and providing for the payment and collection, as written. On a roll call vote, motion carried 9-0. Aye votes recorded: Barr, Giovanini, Eckhoff, Kallas, Causer, Bradshaw, Myers, Gabor, and Wille.

D. Estoppel Certificate

Motion by Eckhoff, second by Gabor to approve the Estoppel Agreement, providing in the event of default by Pontiac Solar LLC, the City of Pontiac will provide an opportunity for the financial lenders to remedy the default before the City takes action, as written. On a roll call vote, motion carried 9-0. Aye votes recorded: Barr, Giovanini, Eckhoff, Kallas, Causer, Bradshaw, Myers, Gabor, and Wille.

E. Tree City Designation

Chris Brock notified the Council that the City has been recognized as a 2020 Tree City, USA

F. Block 59 Market Place

Motion by Eckhoff, second by Causer to approve the purchase of two additional buildings for the Block 59 market at a cost of \$5,075.00 plus an additional \$4,000.00 for upgrading, for each unit. The GLEDC Grant and TIF funds will be used to pay for two buildings. On a roll call vote, motion carried 9-0. Aye votes recorded: Barr, Giovanini, Eckhoff, Kallas, Causer, Bradshaw, Myers, Gabor, and Wille.

D. Madison Street Update

Chris Brock update the Council on the plans to make Madison Street one lane and showed the possible "built ins" that will help control traffic.

H. Equipment Broker Contract

Motion by Gabor, second by Giovanini to engage with Fire Truck Resources in Saunemin to sell items the Fire Department Ladder Truck, with a commission approved by the Mayor and chairman of the Public Safety Commission. On a roll call vote, motion carried 9-0. Aye votes recorded: Barr, Giovanini, Eckhoff, Kallas, Causer, Bradshaw, Myers, Gabor, and Wille.

Mayor Comments

Mayor Alvey reminded everyone to vote at the upcoming election

Administrator Comments

There is someone interested in operating a food truck, This will be discussed at the Community Development meeting on April 12, 2021 at 4:30 P.M.

Council Comments

Alderman Kallas asked about the recent sprayer the City purchased and if it would help control the over grown grass areas in the City

Alderman Giovanini asked how the first week of the City owning the golf course went. Council was informed that things are good, 60% membership and running smoothly so far

Public Comments

None

Executive Session

Motion by Barr second by Giovanini to adjourn to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing Collective Negotiating matters as authorized under Section 2(c)2 of the Illinois Open Meetings Act. On a roll call vote, motion carried 9-0. Aye votes recorded: Barr, Giovanini, Eckhoff, Kallas, Causer, Bradshaw, Myers, Gabor, and Wille.

Adjournment

On motion duly made and seconded, the regular meeting of the City Council was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon L Dunham
City Clerk