

MINUTES OF REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

June 21, 2021

The regular meeting of the Pontiac City Council was held on June 21, 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, Lee, Hicks, Bradshaw, Myers, Gabor and Wille.

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. Item "C" has changed location to the K-Mart Plaza. Hearing no other concerns, motion made by Gabor, second by Myers that the items on the consent agenda be approved as presented.

A. Motion Gabor, second by Myers to approve the minutes of the June 7, 2021 City Council meeting. On a roll call vote, motion carried 10-0. Aye votes recorded: Barr, Giovanini, Eckhoff, Kallas, Lee, Hicks, Bradshaw, Myers, Gabor, and Wille.

B. Motion by Gabor, second by Myers to approve the payment of bills totaling \$281,224.68 from all funds. On a roll call vote, motion carried 10-0. Aye votes recorded: Barr, Giovanini, Eckhoff, Kallas, Lee, Hicks, Bradshaw, Myers, Gabor, and Wille.

C. Motion by Gabor, second by Myers to approve a Transient Merchant License to Tree-Ripe Fruit, locating at the K-Mart Plaza, as applied. On a roll call vote, motion carried 10-0. Aye votes recorded: Barr, Giovanini, Eckhoff, Kallas, Lee, Hicks, Bradshaw, Myers, Gabor, and Wille.

D. Motion by Gabor, second by Myers to approve the request of Safe Journey for the placement of ribbons on poles and trees to show awareness about sexual assault and domestic violence as applied. On a roll call vote, motion carried 10-0. Aye votes recorded: Barr, Giovanini, Eckhoff, Kallas, Lee, Hicks, Bradshaw, Myers, Gabor, and Wille.

E. Motion by Gabor, second by Myers to refer the Application for a Zoning variation from Flanagan State Bank to the Pontiac Planning Commission. On a roll call vote, motion carried 10-0. Aye votes recorded: Barr, Giovanini, Eckhoff, Kallas, Lee, Hicks, Bradshaw, Myers, Gabor, and Wille.

F. Motion by Gabor, second by Myers to approve a parade permit for Accolade Healthcare on July 2, 2021. On a roll call vote, motion carried 10-0. Aye votes recorded: Barr, Giovanini, Eckhoff, Kallas, Lee, Hicks, Bradshaw, Myers, Gabor, and Wille.

REGULAR AGENDA

A. Tree Removal Request - Bruce Baker 1520 S. Mill Street

Discussion on the request by Bruce Baker of 1520 S. Mill Street, to have the City remove a tree in the City right-of-way. Street Superintendent, Chris Brock had an arborist come out and look at the tree and he did not see the tree dying, but suggested "cabling" the tree for straighter growth. Mr. Baker was informed that according to City ordinance, he could have

the tree removed at his expense and purchase (2) more trees for the City to plant. Motion by Gabor, second by Barr to deny the request by Bruce Baker of 1520 S. Mill St. to have the City remove a tree at his location on the City right-of-way, based on the findings of the arborist brought in by the City. On a roll call vote, motion carried 9-1. Aye votes recorded: Barr, Giovanini, Eckhoff, Kallas, Lee, Hicks, Bradshaw, Myers, and Gabor. Nay vote recorded: Wille

B. Sewer Department Repairs

Motion by Wille, second by Lee to approve the purchase of Sludge Cake Pump repair parts at a cost of \$9,611.74 from LAI, Ltd. On a roll call vote, motion carried 10-0. Aye votes recorded: Barr, Giovanini, Eckhoff, Kallas, Lee, Hicks, Bradshaw, Myers, Gabor, and Wille.

C. Ordinance 2021-O-014 - Grease Trap Regulation

Motion by Myers, second by Hicks to approve Ordinance 2021-O-014, Grease Trap Regulation, as written. On a roll call vote, motion carried 10-0. Aye votes recorded: Barr, Giovanini, Eckhoff, Kallas, Lee, Hicks, Bradshaw, Myers, Gabor, and Wille.

D. Asbestos Inspection Contract

Motion by Eckhoff, second by Bradshaw to approve the Asbestos Inspections by the deigan group of Lake Bluff, Illinois at 702, 708, & 712 W. Washington Street and 632 S. Locust Street at a cost of \$3,600.00. On a roll call vote, motion carried 10-0. Aye votes recorded: Barr, Giovanini, Eckhoff, Kallas, Lee, Hicks, Bradshaw, Myers, Gabor, and Wille.

E. Bid Award - Concrete Contract

Motion by Eckhoff, second by Kallas to approve the bid of \$273,081.00 from Opperman Construction for work on Ewing Dr and the Pontiac Public Library, using TIF I Funds. On a roll call vote, motion carried 9-0. Aye votes recorded: Barr, Giovanini, Eckhoff, Kallas, Lee, Hicks, Bradshaw, Myers, and Wille. Abstain vote recorded: Gabor.

Mayor Comments

The Mayor noted that the concerts in the park were well attended. Also reminded Council that the next Regular City Council meeting will be Tuesday, July 6th because of the July 4th holiday.

Administrator Comments

A Finance Committee meeting is scheduled for June 30th at 5:00 P.M. at City Hall. Taylor Baxter informed the Council of the 4th of July plans, scheduled for July 5th at the City Golf Course starting at 4:00 P.M., music from 5:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M., fireworks at dusk.

Council Comments

Alderman Myers asked about “motorized” bikes. Chief Woolford said they should follow the rules of bicyclists.

Public Comments

Bruce Baker, who has been denied the request for a removal of the tree at his property, said he was disappointed in his request denied and does not agree with the arborist.

Adjournment

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

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon L Dunham
City Clerk