

MINUTES OF REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
September 19, 2022

The regular meeting of the Pontiac City Council was held on September 19, 2022. Mayor Alvey called to order the meeting of the City Council at 7:00 P.M.

Mayor Alvey swore in Maggie Clark as the Ward IV Alderman replacing Curt Myers who recently retired from the Council. She was also sworn into the Civic Center Authority.

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

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Alvey stated that there were four items on the consent agenda. He asked if there were any items that needed to be removed for later discussion. Hearing none, motion made by Eckhoff, second by Bradshaw that the items on the consent agenda be approved as presented.

A. Motion by Eckhoff, second by Bradshaw to approve the minutes of the September 6, 2022 as written. On a roll call vote, motion carried 9-0. Aye votes recorded: Barr, Giovanini, Eckhoff, Lee, Hicks, Bradshaw, Clark, Gabor, and Wille.

B. Motion by Eckhoff, second by Bradshaw to approve the payment of bills totaling \$737,258.90 from all funds. On a roll call vote, motion carried 9-0. Aye votes recorded: Barr, Giovanini, Eckhoff, Lee, Hicks, Bradshaw, Clark, Gabor, and Wille.

C. Motion by Eckhoff, second by Bradshaw to approve street closing - Sherman from Mill St. to Plum St. On Sunday October 9, 2022 from 7:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. On a roll call vote, motion carried 9-0. Aye votes recorded: Barr, Giovanini, Eckhoff, Lee, Hicks, Bradshaw, Clark, Gabor, and Wille.

D. Motion by Eckhoff, second by Bradshaw to approve raffle license for BPOE #1019. On a roll call vote, motion carried 9-0. Aye votes recorded: Barr, Giovanini, Eckhoff, Lee, Hicks, Bradshaw, Clark, Gabor, and Wille.

REGULAR AGENDA

A. Evenglow Tax Abatement - GLCEDC

Motion by Bradshaw, second by Giovanini to approve tax abatement for Evenglow Senior Living for (5) years as presented by Adam Donze of the GLCEDC. On a roll call vote, motion carried 9-0. Aye votes recorded: Barr, Giovanini, Eckhoff, Lee, Hicks, Bradshaw, Clark, Gabor, and Wille.

B. Renewal of Contract - Administrative Tow Hearing Officer

Motion by Gabor, second by Hicks to approve the renewal of Administrative Tow Hearing Officer, Larry Necheles for (2) years at \$100.00 per hour with a \$300.00 max. On a roll call vote, motion carried 9-0. Aye votes recorded: Barr, Giovanini, Eckhoff, Lee, Hicks, Bradshaw, Clark, Gabor, and Wille.

C. Agreement - Charles Brown, Jr.

Motion by Bradshaw, second by Clark to approve the agreement with Charles Brown, Jr. to combine lots 307 and 317 W. Cleary St. to be treated as one lot. On a roll call vote, motion carried 9-0. Aye votes recorded: Barr, Giovanini, Eckhoff, Lee, Hicks, Bradshaw, Clark, Gabor, and Wille.

D. Facade Grants - 215, 217 and 219 Madison St.

Motion by Eckhoff, second by Lee to approve the facade grants on 215, 217 and 219 Madison St. for tuck pointing, windows masonry, canopy removal, and flooring at a total cost to the City \$67,936.50. On a roll call vote, motion carried 8-0. Aye votes recorded: Barr, Eckhoff, Lee, Hicks, Bradshaw, Clark, Gabor, and Wille. Abstain vote recorded: Giovanini.

Noted that 221 W. Madison facade grant application will be brought back to the next Council meeting

Motion by Gabor, second by Barr to approve the facade grants at 103 N. Mill St. for brick repair (\$24,000.00, City's share), 105 and 107 N. Mill St. for brick repair (\$11,225.00 City's share) and 318 N. Mill St. for tuck pointing at rear of building (\$2,350.00 City's share). On a roll call vote, motion carried 9-0. Aye votes recorded: Barr, Giovanini, Eckhoff, Lee, Hicks, Bradshaw, Clark, Gabor, and Wille.

Mayor Comments

The Mayor commented on the success of the GTO show and that the concerts in the parks have ended for the year.

Administrator Comments

Jim Woolford thanked staff for their help this past weekend and set a Planning & Zoning Board meeting for September 26th.

Council Comments

Alderman Eckhoff noted the application for the downtown development grant had been denied and with the failing of the sales tax increase, Council and staff will need to get together soon and decided what street repair can be done.

Alderman Bradshaw would like the "ordinance to not allow chickens in the City" to go Planing & Zoning Board for review.

Public Comments

Barb Howard wanted to thank City staff for help with the river cleanup.

Sue Smith and Mary Ann Legner asked Council to consider changing the ordinance to allow residents, permits to keep chickens on their property within the City limits. They were informed that it would need to go the Planning and Zoning board for discussion.

Executive Session

Motion by Gabor, second by Wille to adjourn to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing and considering , land disposition, property acquisition and personnel 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, Lee, Hicks, Bradshaw, Clark, Gabor, and Wille.

Return from Executive Session

Adjournment

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

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sharon L. Dunham". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name being the most prominent.

Sharon L Dunham
City Clerk