

## **CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

### **Tuesday, August 11, 2020**

The monthly meeting of the Paxton City Council was held on Tuesday, August 11, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers.

Mayor Ingold called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll call showed the following aldermen in attendance: Evans, Geiken, Hoedebecke, Johnson Anderson, Pacey, Satterlee, Wilson and Withers. Also, in attendance were: Mayor Bill Ingold, Treasurer/Comptroller Tammy Jensen, Assistant Public Works Director Bob Carleton, Police Chief Coy Cornett, City Attorney Marc Miller, EMA Director Ed Hanson, and members of the audience and press.

#### **MINUTES**

Mayor Ingold asked if there were any changes, corrections or additions that needed made to the minutes from the July Council meeting. Alderman Johnson Anderson made a motion to approve the minutes of the July Council meeting. Aldermen Wilson seconded the motion. All approved on a voice vote.

#### **LIST OF CLAIMS**

Alderman Geiken made a motion to approve the lists of claims, except for the EIEC and Shaff Implement bills. Alderman Wilson seconded the motion. Roll Call: ayes – Alderman Evans, Geiken, Hoedebecke, Johnson Anderson, Pacey, Satterlee, Wilson and Withers. Eight ayes, motion carried.

Alderman Withers made a motion to approve the EIEC and Shaff bill. Alderman Hoedebecke seconded the motion. Roll Call: ayes – Alderman Geiken, Hoedebecke, Johnson Anderson, Pacey, Satterlee, and Withers. Abstain – Evans and Wilson. Six ayes, two abstains, motion carried.

#### **TREASURER'S REPORT AND INVESTMENT REGISTER**

The reports have been emailed to all Aldermen. Alderman Wilson made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report and Investment Register. Alderman Johnson Anderson seconded the motion. All approved on a voice vote.

#### **FINANCE/BUDGET**

There were no committee meetings.

The Community Development Block Grant program requires support from the City for approval. There was a Public Hearing earlier tonight for the Paxton Public House's application. There were no public comments or questions. Ten people were in attendance. Alderman Wilson made a motion to **APPROVE RESOLUTION 20-20 A RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR ELM STREET VENTURES, LLC d/b/a PAXTON PUBLIC HOUSE**. Alderman Johnson Anderson seconded the motion. Roll Call: ayes – Alderman Evans, Geiken, Hoedebecke, Johnson Anderson, Pacey, Satterlee, Wilson and Withers. Eight ayes, motion carried.

The tax levy information is in. There was an \$8,000 difference in what came in compared to what was projected. No changes were needed, but Comptroller/Treasurer Jensen will be conservative this year. The second installment of the Rebuild Illinois funds came in as well.

### **PUBLIC WORKS**

There were no committee meetings.

There was a presentation by Illinois Ready Mixed Concrete Association. Dr. Mike Ayers and James Randolph conducted the presentation.

Mayor Ingold spoke regarding South Market Street. This concrete technology is a possibility for South Market Street. There was discussion on the StreetScape project using this concrete as well.

Bob Carleton was busy today. There was some street work, water issue, branch pickup and they are down three workers.

### **PUBLIC SAFETY**

There were no committee meetings.

Alderman Pacey made a motion to **APPROVE ORDINANCE 20-21 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 34 EMERGENCY RESPONSE SERVICES AGENCY.**

Alderman Withers seconded the motion. Roll Call: ayes – Alderman Evans, Geiken, Hoedebecke, Johnson Anderson, Pacey, Satterlee, Wilson and Withers. Eight ayes, motion carried.

There was discussion on underground electric fencing. This item will be tabled until next month as the committee is currently working on this item.

There was discussion on including cats in Ordinance 96.01. Enforcement of this ordinance would be done by Animal Control. Alderman Pacey made a motion to authorize the City Attorney to include cats in Ordinance 96.01. Alderman Satterlee seconded the motion. All approved on a voice vote.

### **CITY PROPERTY**

There were no committee meetings.

332 W. Franklin Street was discussed. Mayor Ingold opened the property for bids, there were none. Someone did contact him and purchased the property. They will be removing the house within six months. Alderman Johnson Anderson made a motion to approve the contract to sell 334 W. Franklin Street. Alderman Geiken seconded the motion. Roll Call: ayes – Alderman Evans, Geiken, Hoedebecke, Johnson Anderson, Pacey, Satterlee, Wilson and Withers. Eight ayes, motion carried.

An update on the burnt building was provided by the Mayor. Comptroller/Treasurer Jensen has been working with the insurance companies, and the City has received some checks back. The Mayor is working on getting things replaced and the building re-built. A new stump grinder was purchased to replace the one that was destroyed in the fire. Millings are being taken to the City building to fill in some of the damaged areas.

The Pells Park playground has been looked at. It needs more playground mulch. There was some damage to the spring horse. The concrete will come out, and the horse is in storage for now. Some of the bridge that was damaged was removed as well. The picnic table has a brace that was stolen. They are working on getting that replaced.

### **LICENSE, PERMIT, ZONING & INSURANCE**

There was a committee meeting. Work is still progressing in the committee on updating the zoning ordinances.

There was discussion about prorating liquor licenses thru October 31<sup>st</sup>. Alderman Wilson made a motion to waive liquor license fees through October 31. Roll Call: ayes – Alderman Evans, Geiken, Hoedebecke, Johnson Anderson, Pacey, Satterlee, Wilson and Withers. Eight ayes, motion carried.

Alderman Satterlee made a motion to approve ordinance 20-22 an ordinance that rescinds ordinance 20-18 due to errors. Alderman Wilson seconded the order. Roll Call: ayes – Alderman Evans, Geiken, Hoedebecke, Johnson Anderson, Pacey, Satterlee, Wilson and Withers. Eight ayes, motion carried.

Alderman Satterlee would like to schedule a committee meeting for 6:30 p.m., on September 8<sup>th</sup>. There should be a presentation at 6:00 from a representative from Weaver’s Court as well.

### **COMMUNITY**

There were no committee meetings and nothing on the agenda.

### **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

There were no committee meetings and nothing on the agenda.

A question was asked about the new Mexican restaurant. They were hoping to open a couple of weeks ago, but work is continuing.

### **LONG TERM PLANNING**

There were no committee meetings and nothing on the agenda.

There was discussion regarding concrete projects, and if this is something that this committee should be looking at. Mayor Ingold talked about it and potential projects.

### **OTHER**

At 8:11 p.m. Alderman Johnson Anderson made a motion to adjourn tonight’s regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council. Alderman Withers seconded the motion. All approved on a voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gwen Smith  
City Clerk