



**Official Minutes
of the West Peoria City Council
August 23, 2016**

A regular meeting of the West Peoria City Council was held at West Peoria City Hall located at 2506 W. Rohmann Avenue, West Peoria, Illinois 61604 on August 23, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order
Mayor Dillon called the meeting to order at 6:58 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance
The pledge of allegiance was led by Mayor Dillon.
3. Roll Call
Present was Mayor Dillon, Alderpersons Barnes, Meismer, Silver, Reagan, Dohm, Ganson and Martindale. Also present were City Administrator Carlson, City Attorney Connor, John F. Siewert II, Dave Flemings, Videographer Rolland Reinhart and Clerk Silver. Absent was Alderperson Thomas and City Treasurer Main.
4. Additions to/or Deletions from Agenda
No additions or deletions to the agenda were offered.
5. Approval of Minutes – August 9, 2016
Motion to approve the minutes of the August 9, 2016 meeting was made by Alderperson Reagan. Alderperson Barnes seconded, noting correction of City Attorney Connor to City Attorney Martinelli.
Discussion: Alderperson Barnes noted a correction in the roll call from City Attorney Connor to City Attorney Martinelli.
Roll Call Vote Ayes – Reagan, Barnes, Meismer, Silver, Dohm, Ganson, Martindale – 7
Nays – 0
Absent – Thomas – 1
Motion Carried.
6. Community Police Report
Mayor Dillon reported a juvenile was apprehended for recent vehicle break ins on unlocked cars and that officers have reported additional known suspects.
7. Treasurer's Report
Motion to receive and file the Treasurer's Reports for April, May and June 2016 was made by Alderperson Meismer. Alderperson Reagan seconded the motion.
Discussion: No discussion.
Roll Call Vote Ayes – Meismer, Reagan, Barnes, Silver, Dohm, Ganson, Martindale – 7
Nays – 0
Absent – Thomas -1
Motion Carried.

8. Mayor's Report

Mayor Dillon congratulated City Treasurer Main and her family in the newest addition to their family on August 21, 2016. Mayor Dillon also reported his attendance at the Heart of Illinois Mayors Association meeting last week in El Paso, Illinois. The Mayor also reported a notice for the court hearing on the garage on Rohmann appeared in the Peoria Journal Star and noted the efforts of code enforcement regarding two nuisance properties that are currently underway.

9. Public Comment

Videographer Rolland Reinhart thanked Street Department Manager Strube and the street department staff for needed repairs on Clarke. Resident Dave Flemings of 1021 Heading Court presented a water drainage problem on his property which is eroding the driveway and causing basement damage. Mayor Dillon referred Flemings to the Transportation Committee meeting on September 8, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. so that the committee can review the concern.

10. Motion to approve Hermann & Associates Invoice #2262 in the amount of \$516.80 for engineering services (Line Item 01-41-532) was made by Alderperson Barnes. Alderperson Silver seconded the motion.

Discussion: No discussion.

Roll Call Vote Ayes – Barnes, Silver, Meismer, Reagan, Dohm, Ganson, Martindale – 7

Nays – 0

Absent – Thomas – 1

Motion Carried.

11. Motion to approve Hermann & Associates Invoice #2263 in the amount of \$11,176.01 for Callender/Waverly Storm Sewer Project (Line Item 15-00-532) was made by Alderperson Silver. Alderperson Barnes seconded the motion.

Discussion: No discussion.

Roll Call Vote Ayes – Silver, Barnes, Meismer, Reagan, Dohm, Ganson, Martindale – 7

Nays – 0

Absent – Thomas – 1

Motion Carried.

12. Committee Reports

a. Finance Committee

Chair Meismer reported the next Finance Committee meeting will be Tuesday, September 6th, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall.

b. Land Use Committee

Chair Dohm reported the committee last met on August 18, 2016, the committee discussed a tree ordinance proposed by Alderperson Thomas and litter pickup initiative. The committee next meets Wednesday, September 21st, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall.

c. Public Safety Committee

Chair Ganson reported the committee last met on August 17, 2016 and discussed vacant lots and nuisance properties, improvements in parking violations, reimbursement programs, goals and opening burning policy for recreational fires as burning waste is prohibited in the city. Next meeting will be Tuesday, September 20 at 6:30 at City Hall.

d. Transportation Committee

Chair Silver reported the committee last met August 11th, 2016 and approved invoices on tonight's agenda, continued discussions regarding the Waverly Storm Sewer project, alley cleanup and repair, prepping streets prior to seal coating and petitions for sidewalk

project, which are due by September 1. Chair Silver also noted that additional signage is suggested for street department staff as they work on city streets for additional safety. The committee next meets Thursday, September 8th, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall. Alderperson Dohm, Chair Silver and City Administrator Carlson discussed payment to Hermann & Associates for a review of parking lot plans for Rocky Glen. It was determined that the expenditure was necessary as the property is within the city limits.

13. Public Comment

Alderperson Meisner reported phone calls this week at his home from neighboring areas, two from Kewanee, two from Bellflower, and one other Chicago suburb relating to Ameren rates and asking residents to switch to their company. Meisner wants residents to know that they can inform the callers that they have the opportunity to bid on the municipal aggregation contract that the city of West Peoria has with Good Energy. Meisner cautions that the rates that the city negotiates are unlikely to be beat by these companies. Mayor Dillon also reported a company selling seal coating product for driveways that is not using product that is typically expected in the transaction. It appears that substandard materials are being used. Alderperson Reagan reported lawn care companies in the area are blowing clippings into the street which are blocking storm sewers and Reagan cautions residents that professional lawn care companies are to be informed of the city ordinance prohibiting the blowing of yard waste into city streets.

14. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:26 p.m. was made by Alderperson Meisner. Alderperson Reagan seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously by voice.

Respectfully Submitted,



April L. Silver, City Clerk

