



Tuesday, February 18, 2020

City of Troy

City Council Meeting

The Meeting is held in the Council Chambers, City Municipal Building, 116 East Market Street, Troy, Illinois 62294

A. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting was held in the Council Chambers in the City Municipal Building, 116 East Market Street, Troy, Illinois, 62294 and was called to order by Mayor Allen Adomite at 7:33 p.m. All present were lead in the pledge of allegiance by Alderman Troy Turner.

B. Roll Call in Alphabetical Order

Present: Dan Dawson, Elizabeth Hellrung, Nathan Henderson, Debbie Knoll, Tony Manley, and Troy Turner. **Absent:** Bonnie Levo and Sam Italiano. **Other Officials Present:** Mayor Allen Adomite, City Treasurer David Roady, Building & Zoning Admin. Coordinator Linda Taake, City Attorney Fred Keck, City Engineer Tom Cissell, Assistant Chief of Police Brent Shownes, and City Clerk Andrea Lambert.

C. Reading and Approval of Minutes

1. *February 03, 2020 City Council Meeting Minutes*

Motion: To Approve February 03, 2020 City Council Meeting Minutes as Presented.

Moved by Turner; **Seconded by** Henderson. **Vote:** Motion passed (**summary:** Aye = 4, Nay = 0, Abstain=2).

Aye: Hellrung, Henderson, Knoll, and Turner. **Abstain:** Dawson and Manley. **Absent:** Italiano and Levo.

D. Communications, to be provided by the City Clerk

Clerk Lambert reported a meeting in Hamel, IL regarding the 2020 Census. She and other Complete Count Committee members have planned to attend the meeting to focus on ways to reach 'hard to count' residents.

E. Citizen Participation - Limited to three (3) minutes per person.

- *Kevin McKee*, a Solar Ambassador with the Illinois Solar Energy Association that promotes and advocates Solar and Wind Energy across the state, spoke in support of the Electric Vehicle project stating that it is great use of tourist funds.

F. Mayor's Comments

1. *Results of Business District IV Hearing - February 18, 2020*

The Mayor announced that we have now complied with the requirement to hold a public hearing regarding the Business District. He expects to present an ordinance to adopt our plan at the March 2nd meeting.

2. *Special Olympics Polar Plunge - Friday March 6th, 2020, at 4204 Distribution Center in Belleville*

The Mayor reminded us of the annual Polar Plunge and said to contact Officer Jen Hautly to get involved.

3. *MCT Trails Workshop - 9am, Friday, March 13, 2020 at Leclair Room on NO Nelson Campus of LCCC in Edwardsville*

The Mayor will be attending this Madison County Transit workshop from 9am-11am at Lewis and Clark Community College. The workshop will focus on the enhancement and expansion of the trail system. Anyone wanting to attend can do so, but is asked to RSVP by March 1st.

G. City Administrator and City Attorney Comments

1. *City Administrator's Comments*

Mayor Adomite commented that the City Administrator has attended a meeting about the Old Troy Road project.

Alderman Henderson mentioned the large volume of traffic being routed through the Homes of Liberty Place Subdivision to local schools. He thanked the Police Department for the extra attention to that area.

2. *City Attorney's Comments - None*

H. Consent Agenda

1. *Treasurer's Report for January 2020*

2. *Building & Zoning Report for January 2020*

3. *Business Registrations for January 2020*

4. *Police Report for January 2020*

5. *Water and Sewer Report for January 2020*

6. *Approval of the Consent Agenda as Presented*

Motion: To Approve the Consent Agenda as Presented.

Moved by Dawson; **Seconded by** Henderson. **Vote:** Motion passed (**summary:** Aye = 6, Nay = 0).

Aye: Dawson, Hellrung, Henderson, Knoll, Manley, and Turner. **Absent:** Italiano and Levo.

I. Administrative and Community Services Committee Report

1. *Results of Zoning Board of Appeals Public Hearing - February 06, 2020*

Building & Zoning's Linda Taake reported that the ZBOA's decision to table the variance request was followed by a report of Petitioner Lerch Homes resubmitting plans without the additional drive-thru. Without this special variance, a follow-up Zoning Board of Appeals Hearing will not be needed because no action was previously taken.

2. *Results of Planning Commission Meeting – February 13, 2020*

Linda Taake said that the Planning Commission covered the zoning updates and will meet again March 12th with the material in ordinance form to do a final review. A workshop to present this to the Council will likely be March 30th.

3. *Building and Zoning Administrative Coordinator's Report*

Taake added that the Department has been busy with locates and building permits. She met with someone wishing to build on either side of Casey's on Highway 40 – a possible burger establishment and a sign shop. The City Engineer will be looking further into that information and keep the Council updated. The Mayor asked about the previous Tri-Auto site. Taake reported that the owner is brain storming about possible outcomes for the site. She added that the site behind Imo's is being prepped for the storm sewer and retention pond area to accompany new construction. The Mayor mentioned the solar panel work being done near Henning and at Silver Creek Elementary Schools.

J. Finance and Economic Development Committee Report

1. *Bills to be Approved and Paid for the Month of January/February 2020.*

Alderman Henderson referred to the Aged Obligation report with expenses totaling: \$744,738.82.

(Computer-run checks: \$377,368.49; Manual Checks: \$49143.86; Payroll \$318,226.47.)

Motion: To Approve the Aged Obligation Report and Pay the Bills for the Months of January / February 2020 as Presented.

Moved by Henderson; **Seconded by** Turner. **Vote:** Motion passed (**summary:** Aye = 6, Nay = 0).

Aye: Dawson, Hellrung, Henderson, Knoll, Manley, and Turner. **Absent:** Italiano and Levo.

2. *Results of Finance and Economic Development Committee Meeting – February 18, 2020*

Alderman Nathan Henderson summarized the meeting discussions:

- Electric Vehicle Charging Stations and funding;
- Potential changes in the handling of Tourism Funds for City and Chamber of Commerce Tourism Fund requests;
- TIF projects including the Splashpad, Bike Trail and 2 other requests.

3. *Tourism Grant Request Deadline –February 28, 2020*

The Mayor reminded everyone of the February 28th application deadline for Tourism Grant Requests.

4. *Finance and Economic Development Committee Meetings - March 02 & 16, 2020*

The Mayor hopes to review all tourism requests at the March 2nd meeting, followed by a meeting on March 9th to discuss TIF funds. Another Finance and Economic Committee Meeting is planned for March 16th at 6:00 pm.

5. *City Treasurer's Report - None*

K. Law Enforcement and Emergency Services Committee Report

1. *Chief of Police's Report*

Assistant Police Chief Shownes reminded everyone of the upcoming Polar Plunge. He urged participation said donations could also be made to benefit Special Olympics. He explained the necessary added patrol and increased traffic volume at Homes of Liberty Village subdivision. Current construction on Old Troy Road is causing 120 driving students to detour through the subdivision during times when children are waiting at bus stops. The Department is active in efforts to reduce speed for the safety of all. The newest Officers: Kyle Hannon, Jen Hautly, and Brent Belts have graduated from field training and started on their own this week. Also, Officers Dearworth, Hautly, and Belts were involved in locating murder suspect Gino Branch, securing the scene (Casey's), and assisting St. Louis Detectives from North St. Louis County. He also thanked 2 officers for their assistance in the motorcade for Nathan Alvis.

L. Public Works Committee Report

1. City Engineer's Report

City Engineer Tom Cissell updated that West Clay Street sewer is complete, but street construction will continue. He added that bids for the MCT-funded sidewalk from US 40 to Turtle Creek entrance will open soon. Results are expected in March regarding the two grant applications submitted work on Formosa and Bouse Roads. He mentioned recent meetings concerning budgeting with the City Administrator and Public Works Director.

2. Public Works Schedule and Report

3. Public Works Director's Report - none

M. Reports of Special Committees (as needed)

N. Ordinances and Resolutions called by the City Clerk, with Citizen Participation

1. Ordinance 2020-04 – An Ordinance Amending Chapter 133 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Troy to Prohibit the Sale of Possession of Mitragynine and 7-Hydroxymitragynine, Also known as Kratom

The Mayor explained that this naturally occurring controversial drug is currently not banned in Illinois. It has been associated with bad effects and death. Troy, like other Illinois communities, is taking a stance to make it illegal in our community. City Attorney Fred Keck added that this will allow us a tool of authority if needed. It will be revisited if the state should take an enact legislation concerning Kratom. Mayor Adomite included the following link (in BoardDocs for more information: <https://www.routefifty.com/public-safety/2020/02/ban-or-regulate-kratom-state-lawmakers-weigh-approaches-herbal-supplement/162966/>)

Motion: To Adopt Ordinance 2020-04 as Presented.

Moved by Turner; **Seconded by** Manley. **Vote:** Motion passed (**summary:** Aye = 6, Nay = 0).

Aye: Dawson, Hellrung, Henderson, Knoll, Manley, and Turner. **Absent:** Italiano and Levo.

2. Ordinance 2020-05 – An Ordinance Amending Chapter 133 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Troy Regarding the Possession, Manufacture or Delivery of Cannabis and Drug Paraphernalia

This Ordinance updates Troy's existing code regarding the possession, manufacturing, and delivery of Cannabis and Drug Paraphernalia to reflect the recent changes in the Illinois State Statute.

Motion: To Adopt Ordinance 2020-05 as Presented.

Moved by Turner; **Seconded by** Dawson. **Vote:** Motion passed (**summary:** Aye = 6, Nay = 0).

Aye: Dawson, Hellrung, Henderson, Knoll, Manley, and Turner. **Absent:** Italiano and Levo.

3. Ordinance 2020-06 – An Ordinance Amending Section 118 of the Title XI. Business Regulations – of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Troy, Illinois By the Addition of Section of 118.05 Imposing a Municipal Cannabis Retailers' Occupation Tax

Mayor Adomite explained that this Ordinance institutes the IL Municipal Cannabis Retailers Tax. City Attorney Fred Keck said this ordinance follows IML's model for us to instate any potential taxation by July. It will also be filed with the Department of Revenue. These procedural steps are how Troy would get the tax benefit from a dispensary (if allowed through the special-use permitting process) as the legislature has been set up. Alderman Manly clarified that his vote is not in support of a dispensary in Troy but the support of Troy receiving the benefit of tax dollars from a potential future dispensary's sales.

Motion: To Adopt Ordinance 2020-06 as Presented.

Moved by Henderson; **Seconded by** Turner. **Vote:** Motion passed (**summary:** Aye = 6, Nay = 0).

Aye: Dawson, Hellrung, Henderson, Knoll, Manley, and Turner. **Absent:** Italiano and Levo.

4. Resolution 2020-03 – Resolution of the City of Troy, Illinois Supporting a Partnership with Southwestern Illinois Electric Cooperative for an Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging Station I Troy Utilizing City Hotel/Motel Tourism Funds

Mayor Adomite confirmed that this Resolution comes with the recommendation of the Finance Committee. He thanked Mr. McKee then explained. We are committing to \$10,800 to be spent before May 1st and a 5 year partnership that will cost \$8,800 in tourism funds for next 4 years, subject to appropriation.

Moved by Knoll; **Seconded by** Hellrung. **Vote:** Motion passed (**summary:** Aye = 6, Nay = 0).

Aye: Dawson, Hellrung, Henderson, Knoll, Manley, and Turner. **Absent:** Italiano and Levo.

5. Resolution 2020-04 – Resolution of the City of Troy, Illinois, Supporting the Application to the Illinois Dept of Natural Resources Bike Path Grant Program For Matching Funds For the Spring Valley Road Bike Path From US HWY 40 to the Tri-Township Park

Mayor Adomite confirmed that this Resolution comes with the recommendation of the Finance Committee. It allocates funds for appropriation. The path plan has been engineered to span from SpringValley Rd. at Route 40 near the future splashpad and baseball field, then routed toward Wickliffe St, then to Clay St. It will be paid for out of STP funds, but we are using TIF money to actually do this. We have a strong application in to potentially match TIF dollars with IDNR bike trail grant money. We are asking for the \$200,000 limit – essentially meaning we will not spend over \$400,000 on the project. This is a commitment to \$200,000 in TIF expenditures. The Council will meet March 9th for further TIF discussion followed by the Park District’s meeting on March 11th.

Motion: To Adopt Resolution2020-04 as Presented.

Moved by Hellrung; **Seconded by** Turner. **Vote:** Motion passed (**summary:** Aye = 6, Nay = 0).

Aye: Dawson, Hellrung, Henderson, Knoll, Manley, and Turner. **Absent:** Italiano and Levo.

O. Closed Session (as needed)

P. Adjournment, no later than 10:00 p.m.

Motion: To Adjourn the Meeting at 8:48 p.m.

Moved by Manley; **Seconded by** Turner. **Vote:** Motion passed (**summary:** Aye = 6, Nay = 0).

Aye: Dawson, Hellrung, Henderson, Knoll, Manley, and Turner. **Absent:** Italiano and Levo.

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Andrea D. Lambert
City Clerk