



Monday, September 21, 2020

City of Troy

City Council Meeting

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 of the City Municipal Building, 116 East Market Street, Troy, Illinois, 62294 and was called to order by Mayor Allen Adomite at 7:30 p.m. All present were lead in the pledge of allegiance by Alderman Bonnie Levo.

B. Roll Call in Alphabetical Order

Present: Dan Dawson, Elizabeth Hellrung, Sam Italiano, Nathan Henderson, Debbie Knoll, Bonnie Levo, Tony Manley, and Troy Turner. **Other Officials Present:** Mayor Allen Adomite, City Treasurer David Roady, Public Works Director Rob Hancock, City Attorney Fred Keck, City Engineer Tom Cissell, Lieutenant Chris Wasser, and City Clerk Andrea Lambert.

C. Reading and Approval of Minutes

1. *September 08, 2020 City Council Meeting Minutes*

Motion: To Approve September 08, 2020 City Council Meeting Minutes as Presented.

Moved by Italiano; **Seconded by** Turner. **Vote:** Motion passed (**summary:** Aye = 8, Nay = 0).

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

D. Communications, to be provided by the City Clerk

1. *Election Petitions Begin Circulation – September 22, 2020*

The Clerk announced the date petitions may circulate as well as the filing period from December 14th-21st, 2020.

Mayor Adomite officially added that he will not be seeking another term, nor will the current Clerk or Treasurer.

The election will include a 4-year term for each of the 4 wards as well as a 2-year unexpired term for a Ward 4 seat.

E. Citizen Participation - Limited to three (3) minutes per person. - **None**

F. Mayor's Comments

The Mayor thanked City Engineer Cissell for his work towards the now approved MEPRD grant request of \$300,000. We are optimistic to bid the trail soon after approval of plans. He also recognized the passing of Pat Huck and spoke in admiration of her as well as her work with the Women's Club and the Library Board.

G. City Administrator and City Attorney Comments

1. *City Administrator's Comments – none*

2. *City Attorney's Comments*

Attorney Fred Keck referred to the IL Governor mandate which extends our current disaster proclamation and mitigations through October 17th.

H. Consent Agenda

1. *Treasurer's Report for August 2020*
2. *Building & Zoning Report August 2020*
3. *Business Registrations for August 2020*
4. *Police Report for August 2020*
5. *Water and Sewer Report for August 2020*
6. *Approval of the Consent Agenda as Presented*

Motion: To Approve the Consent Agenda as Presented.

Moved by: Italiano; **Seconded by:** Levo. **Vote:** Motion passed (**summary:** Aye = 8, Nay = 0).

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

I. Administrative and Community Services Committee Report

1. *Results of Planning Commission Meeting – September 10, 2020*

Engineer Cissell spoke on behalf of Linda Taake to report that the Commission continued review of the parking portion of the Zoning Ordinance, namely the lighting requirements. The Commission discussed a requirement for businesses to provide lighting calculations to the City Engineer and Public Works Director. Other discussions included safety, spillage, and possible modernization upon future renovation.

2. Results of Zoning Board of Appeals Hearing - September 14, 2020

Cissell also explained that the ZBOA passed a recommendation to grant the proposed variance for a 4 bay pick up window for the property at 2111 Troy Blvd. Troy's ordinance calls for 6 holding spaces for drive-thru lanes, but allowed the variance with two stipulations: 1.) the window will only be used as a pick up window (no ordering), and 2.) 2 parking spaces will be designated for 'curbside pickup' purposes for use in the event that the line should back up.

3. Building and Zoning Administrative Coordinator's Report

The Mayor referred to the new business reports portion of the Consent Agenda along with 39 new residential building permits as opposed to the 24 from August 2018. A short discussion took place regarding an upcoming waste contract expiration potentially affecting leaf burning and yard waste disposal.

J. Finance and Economic Development Committee Report

1. Bills to be Approved and Paid for the Month August/September 2020

Alderman Henderson referred to the Aged Obligation report with expenses totaling: \$732,527.06. (Computer-run checks: \$358,210.00; Manual Checks: \$88,232.10; Payroll \$286,084.96.)

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

Moved by: Henderson; **Seconded by:** Turner. **Vote:** Motion passed (**summary:** Aye = 8, Nay = 0).

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

2. Results of Finance & Economic Development Committee Meeting - September 21, 2020

The Committee met to discuss some budgeted purchases delayed by the pandemic. After evaluation of the economy, the Committee now approves the purchase of two police cars as well as a salt spreader. Payroll for the Street Crew will now be moved back to the General Fund.

3. Approval of Purchase of Two (2) Police Cars

The Finance & Economic Development Committee recommends this budgeted expenditure.

Motion: To Approve the Purchase of Two (2) Police Cars, as presented.

Moved by: Henderson; **Seconded by:** Italiano. **Vote:** Motion passed (**summary:** Aye = 8, Nay = 0).

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

4. City Treasurer Report – none

K. Law Enforcement and Emergency Services Committee Report

1. Direction to Board of Police Commissioners to Hire One (1) New Police Officer

The importance of having a full staff of 21 officers and reducing overtime was discussed. The Council decided to move forward with hiring two officers while we have good candidates.

Motion: To Direct the Board of Police Commissioners to Hire Two (2) New Police Officers, as Amended.

Moved by: Italiano; **Seconded by:** Manley. **Vote:** Motion passed (**summary:** Aye = 8, Nay = 0).

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

2. Chief of Police's Report

Lt. Chris Wasser spoke on behalf of Chief Parsons to explain some photos showing 3 Troy officers representing the City at the Troy Police Department participating Bommarito Indi 500 at Gateway. He also spoke of the Truck Convoy that raised approximately \$46,000 for Special Olympics. He said that Officer Hautly played a large role in achieving this. Wasser added that many local fire and police departments also sent participants. Alderman Levo admired the event noting that Troy sometimes takes a hit for being a truck stop town but noted that the truckers raise a lot of money for the cause.

L. Public Works Committee Report

1. City Engineer's Report

City Engineer Cissell reported receiving a letter from Enable Mississippi gas company agreeing to allow the trail and work with the City to develop within their guidelines. He updated that working through IDOT's regulations, the contractor for West Clay Street has been given notice to have the flashing light on Hwy 162 working properly (as well as any outstanding issues resolved) within 10 working days. The City plans to submit an application by November 2nd to ITEP for the portion of the trail to extend from Route 40 to C.A. Henning. (We have already submitted a TAP grant to EW Gateway for the same portion of trail.) He referred to a link posted in his report showing the projects awarded

money from Metro Park and Recreation District. (<https://www.thetelegraph.com/news/article/Park-projects-will-share-2M-in-grants-15580268.php>) Troy will receive \$300,000 for the Tri-Township Park regional trail connector.

2. *Public Works Schedule and Report - no comment about the weekly reports posted to Board Docs.*

3. *Public Works Director's Report*

Public Works Director Hancock reported that this year's crackseal has been completed on Avalon, Northwoods, some of Homes of Liberty Place, and Ackerman. Cherry Lane will be done next year due to running short on material and not increasing funding for that project. The street crew will start doing concrete repairs. One location will be the catch basin on Bluebird.

The Council briefly discussed stray animals. A Community Service Officer job description has been in review. Due to Covid-19, the City has been cautious moving forward, but we are hoping to soon remedy these issues.

M. Reports of Special Committees (as needed) – none

N. Ordinances and Resolutions called by the City Clerk, with Citizen Participation - none

O. Closed Session (as needed)

Motion: To Enter Closed Session

Moved by: Italiano; **Seconded by:** Turner. **Vote:** Motion passed (**summary:** Aye = 8, Nay = 0).

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

[Recessed until 8:30 pm to allow those from the public to exit.]

1. *5 ILCS 120/2(c)2- Collective Bargaining Matters*

[Open Session Reconvened at 8:52 pm with Mayor Adomite's Call to Order.]

The Mayor thanked the Council for their work. He told everyone how much he appreciates and respects working with them. He hopes everyone continues their public service and reiterated that he will fully support everyone in the future. Attorney Keck added that we need good people that care to run for the Council.

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

1. *Adjournment of the Meeting*

Motion: To Adjourn the Meeting at 9:12 p.m.

Moved by: Italiano; **Seconded by:** Turner. **Vote:** Motion passed (**summary:** Aye = 8, Nay = 0).

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

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Andrea D. Lambert
City Clerk