



**Monday, March 15, 2021**

**City of Troy**

**City Council Meeting**

**The Meeting was held in the Council Chambers, City Municipal Building, 116 East Market Street, Troy, Illinois 62294 at 7:30pm.**

**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 Pro Tem Nathan Henderson at 7:30 p.m. Alderman Bonnie Levo led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**B. Roll Call in Alphabetical Order**

**Present:** Dan Dawson, Elizabeth Hellrung, Nathan Henderson, Debbie Knoll, Bonnie Levo, Tony Manley, and Troy Turner.  
**Absent:** Sam Italiano. **Other Officials Present:** Mayor Pro Tem Nathan Henderson, City Administrator Doug Partney, City Treasurer David Roady, Chief of Police Brad Parsons, Asst. Chief of Police Brent Shownes, Public Works Director Rob Hancock, Building & Zoning Admin. Coord. Linda Taake, City Attorney Fred Keck, City Engineer Tom Cissell, and City Clerk Andrea Lambert.

**C. Reading and Approval of Minutes**

1. *March 01, 2021 City Council Meeting Minutes*

**Motion:** To Approve March 01, 2021 City Council Meeting Minutes as Presented.

**Moved by** Levo; **Seconded by** Turner. **Vote:** Motion passed (**summary:** Aye = 7, Nay = 0).

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

**D. Communications, to be Provided by the City Clerk**

1. *Consolidated Election Early Voting: March 22-26 & March 29 - April 1 from 8:30am-4:30pm at City Hall*  
Clerk Lambert announced the Early Voting schedule for the Consolidated Election on April 6<sup>th</sup>.

2. *Thank You Card Received*

The City received a thank you card from Kay Waldram with the Church of Christ appreciating the City's effort and use of cones during for their recent grocery give away.

**E. Citizen Participation**

1. *Limited to three (3) minutes per person. - None*

**F. Mayor's Comments – None**

**G. City Administrator and City Attorney Comments**

1. *City Administrator's Comments*

City Administrator Partney reported his plan to present an overall operation budget on March 29<sup>th</sup>.

2. *City Attorney's Comments – none*

**H. Consent Agenda**

1. *Treasurer's Report for February 2021*

2. *Building & Zoning Report for February 2021*

3. *Business Registrations for February 2021*

4. *Police Report for February 2021*

5. *Water and Sewer Report for February 2021*

6. *Approval of the Consent Agenda as Presented*

**Motion:** To Approve the Consent Agenda as Presented.

**Moved by** Manley; **Seconded by** Levo. **Vote:** Motion passed (**summary:** Aye = 7, Nay = 0).

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

**I. Administrative and Community Services Committee Report**

*1. Results of Planning Commission Meetings – March 11, 2021*

The Commission heard a presentation concerning a proposed sports dome on Bradley Smith Dr. That dome will be the subject of a future variance or Zoning Board of Appeals Hearing.

*2. Planning Commission Hearing – March 25, 2021*

There will be a Public Hearing on March 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm. Commissioners will hear a request to rezone R-1 residential property near SrA Bradley Smith Dr. to C-2 commercial.

*3. Discussion of Proposed Procedures for a Pre-Annexation Agreement*

Building and Zoning’s Linda Take presented a memo explaining a potential new policy that would require those presently not in City limits to sign a 20 year pre-annexation agreement upon receiving new water services from Troy. She stressed a need to be proactive and claim the areas that are just outside of city limits. We would implement the change in policy using Maryville’s effective Ordinance as a pattern for our own. The benefits of adding households and people to our city population are taxes, local government fund distribution, and even attractiveness to future business development. Treasurer Roady pointed out that the savings on the water bills would offset some of the real estate taxes for those annexed. They would be able to vote and continue benefiting from other City services. Alderman Hellrung asked if sewer was also a forced part of the plan. It is not. Troy’s rule says that if you are within 350 feet of a sewer, you are required to attach, unless there is an advanced hardship such as a steep incline. Tracking of these pre-annexation agreements will most likely fall to the water department because they are the first point of contact.

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

Admin Coordinator Linda Taake reported a need for a Zoning Board of Appeals Hearing on April 1<sup>st</sup> or 7<sup>th</sup> regarding a possible variance to address structure size and height requirements regarding the proposed sports dome.

**J. Finance and Economic Development Committee Report**

*1. Bills to be Approved and Paid for the Month February/March 2021*

Mayor Pro Tem Henderson referred to the Aged Obligation report with expenses totaling: \$625,472.57 (Computer-run checks: \$219,199.46; Manual Checks: \$94,880.57; Payroll \$311,392.54.)

**Motion:** To Approve the Aged Obligation Report & Pay the Bills for the Months of February /March 2021 as Presented.

**Moved by:** Henderson; **Seconded by:** Turner. **Vote:** Motion passed (**summary:** Aye = 7, Nay = 0).

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

*2. Results of Finance and Economic Development Committee Meeting – March 08, 2021*

Mayor Pro Tem/Alderman Henderson recapped the discussions of Tourism Grants, TIF budget, and Police Budget.

*3. Approval of FY 2021-2022 Tourism Budget*

The Finance & Economic Development Committee discussed and approved each Tourism Item. Harvest Ministries’s request will not be included in this vote. It will be discussed separately.

**Motion:** To Approve the FY 2021-2022 Tourism Budget \$178,219.21 with the exception of the Harvest Ministries Request (addressed separately).

**Moved by:** Manley; **Seconded by:** Knoll. **Vote:** Motion passed (**summary:** Aye = 7, Nay = 0). **Aye:** Dawson, Hellrung, Henderson, Knoll, Levo, Manley, and Turner. **Absent:** Italiano.

Henderson spoke of a Supreme Court case that found violation of a church’s first amendment right in denying it public funds based on their existence as a church. Due to concern of the Council, Harvest Ministries has submitted an amendment of their request showing use of funds for secular items of hospitality (food, drink, backpacks) to those who are traveling from outside the region.

**Motion:** To Approve a FY 21-22 Tourism Grant in the amount of \$1,400, to Harvest Ministries. **Moved by:** Turner; **Seconded by:** Knoll. **Vote:** Motion passed (**summary:** Aye = 5, Nay = 2). **Aye:** Hellrung, Henderson, Knoll, Levo, and Turner. **Nay:** Dawson and Manley. **Absent:** Italiano.

<b>Tourism Fund Budget 2021-2022</b>	
<b>Beginning Balance:</b>	<b>\$271,463.92</b>
<i>Total City Requests:</i>	\$95,000
July 4 <sup>th</sup> Fireworks	\$65,000
City Website	\$10,000
Misc. City Promotions	\$7,700
EV Charging Partnership	\$8,800
Great Rivers & Routes Prtnrshp	\$3,500
<b>Remaining Tourism Funds</b>	<b>\$176,463.92</b>
<b>Tourism Application Requests:</b>	<b>\$84,619.21</b>
TMSM Chamber Tourism Budget	\$65,000
Troy Lions Club (Festival)	\$8,000
Troy Lions Club (Santa’s Village)	\$1019.21
Jim Welch Classic Softball Tourn	\$8,000
Partners for Pets	\$1,200
<b>(1st Total Approved -</b>	<b>178,219.21)</b>
Harvest Ministries	\$1,400
<b>Total Appropriated Funds:</b>	<b>\$179,619.21</b>
<b>Total Amount Carried Over:</b>	<b>\$91,844.71</b>

*4. Finance and Economic Development Committee Meeting – March 22 & 29, 2021*

Alderman Henderson announced additional meetings this month and urged the Council members to attend.

*5. City Treasurer Report – none*

## **K. Law Enforcement and Emergency Services Committee Report**

### **1. Authorization to Use Seized Funds For Purchase & Install of License Plate Recognition System (Not to Exceed \$41,000)**

Assistant Chief of Police Brent Shownes announced a \$5,000 grant the City will receive from Madison County's State's Attorney office for the LPR system. Troy will be starting on phases 1 & 2 of the 3 phase installation soon. Locations included are highway access points on Rt 162 and US-40. Intention is to use \$39,373.28 in seized funds for the remainder of this purchase.

**Motion:** To Authorize the Use of Seized Funds For Purchase & Install of License Plate Recognition System with Madison County, Not to Exceed \$41,000, from Utiltra, as Presented.

**Moved by** Manley; **Seconded by** Turner. **Vote:** Motion passed (**summary:** Aye = 7, Nay = 0).

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

### **2. Authorization to Use Seized Funds For Purchase of a K-9 and Related Officer Training (Not to Exceed \$14,000)**

The Police Department is requesting authorization to use \$13,500 on a German Shorthair K-9 and 4 week training. This dog will be used for tracking, drug, and item detection. It will be great for public relations and less liability due to not being a bite dog.

**Motion:** To Authorize the Use of Seized Funds For Purchase of a K-9 and Related Officer Training, Not to Exceed \$14,000, as Presented.

**Moved by** Turner; **Seconded by** Hellrung. **Vote:** Motion passed (**summary:** Aye = 7, Nay = 0).

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

### **3. Chief of Police's Report**

When asked about the amount of seized funds, Chief Parsons reported approximately \$35,000 in article 36 - designated for law enforcement purchases, approximately \$10,000 in article 37 - designated for drug related enforcement or education, and approximately \$150,000 in federal funds obtained through the MEG unit. Seized funds may only be used for non-budgeted police expenses for items such as equipment, training, or enforcement.

## **L. Public Works Committee Report**

### **1. Approval of Annual Mowing Contract with D & D Lawn Care for \$36,257.08**

A tab sheet was presented showing D&D Lawn Care as the lowest bidder by approximately \$30,000. Public Works Director Hancock was happy with their work last year.

**Motion:** To Approve the Annual Mowing Contract with D&D Lawn Care for \$36,257.08.

**Moved by** Dawson; **Seconded by** Hellrung. **Vote:** Motion passed (**summary:** Aye = 7, Nay = 0).

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

### **3. City Engineer's Report**

City Engineer Cissell referred to his report posted to Board Docs. He said we are requesting a pre-annexation agreement to provide water to Schmalz Rd subdivision. He reported bids opening tomorrow for the MCT project - extension of the bike trail ending at Spring Valley Rd. and US 40. A review of the street program for FY21-22 was done last week. Funding for areas in need will be determined by the budget. The preconstruction meeting for the Pedestrian Path Design is scheduled for Wednesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>. Cissell also covered the compromises underway with Osborn at Carrington Farms on Formosa. In exchange for the bike trail right of way, they would like to freeze subdivision rules for 10 years, with exceptions of updated drainage, street construction, and sidewalk width.

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

### **3. Public Works Director's Report**

Director Hancock reported that April 15<sup>th</sup> is tentatively the MFT bid letting pending approval by IDOT. Two wastewater liftstation pumps are currently being repaired after lower seal fails. Lastly, the PFAS sampling was returned reporting that Troy is beneath the minimum reporting level. PFAS is a carcinogenic man made chemical found in things such as food wrappers and fire-fighting foam.

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

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

### **1. Ordinance 2021-03 – An Ordinance of the City of Troy, Illinois Authorizing the Mayor to Execute and the City to Enter into a Successor Collective Bargaining Agreement With the Fraternal Order of Police (FOP)(Sergeants)**

City Attorney Fred Keck explained that the Council met on this previously in closed session. The Sergeants will receive the same provisions and longevity as the Patrol Officers, only theirs will be effective May 1<sup>st</sup>. In addition, they will receive a day off Command time, setting them apart as sergeants. The contract expires in 2024.

**Motion:** To Adopt Ordinance 2021-03 as Presented.

**Moved by:** Turner; **Seconded by:** Manley. **Vote:** Motion passed (**summary:** Aye = 7, Nay = 0).

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

**O. Closed Session (as needed)**

**Motion:** To Enter Closed Session under 5ILCS 120/2 (c)5 – Purchase or Lease of Real Property for the Use of the Public Body, as Presented.

**Moved by:** Levo; **Seconded by:** Manley. **Vote:** Motion passed (**summary:** Aye = 7, Nay = 0).

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

**[Meeting recessed from 8:20pm to 8:25pm while those from the public exited the Council Chambers.]**

**[The Council Reentered Open Session at 8:44pm.]**

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

*1. Adjournment of the Meeting*

**Motion:** To Adjourn the Meeting at 8:44 p.m.

**Moved by:** Levo; **Seconded by:** Turner. **Vote:** Motion passed (**summary:** Aye = 7, Nay = 0).

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

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Andrea D. Lambert

City Clerk