

MINUTES OF REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

April 17, 2023

The regular meeting of the Pontiac City Council was held on April 17, 2023. Mayor Alvey called to order the meeting of the City Council at 7:00 P.M.

The City Clerk was directed to call roll, and the following members of the Council were present: Barr, Giovanini, Eckhoff, Kallas, Hicks, Lee, Bradshaw, Clark, Gabor and Wille.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Alvey stated that there were four items on the consent agenda. He asked if there were any items that needed to be removed for later discussion. Hearing none, motion made by Willie, second by Hicks that the items on the consent agenda be approved as presented.

A. Motion by Wille, second by Hicks to approve the minutes of the April 3, 2023 City Council meeting. On a roll call vote, motion carried 10-0. Aye votes recorded: Barr, Giovanini, Kallas, Eckhoff, Hicks, Lee, Bradshaw, Clark, Gabor and Wille.

B. Motion by Wille, second by Hicks to approve payment of bills totaling \$766,295.61 from all funds. On a roll call vote, motion carried 10-0. Aye votes recorded: Barr, Giovanini, Kallas, Eckhoff, Hicks, Lee, Bradshaw, Clark, Gabor and Wille.

C. Motion by Wille, second by Hicks to refer Application for Pearl Street Community Solar Project Special Use Permit Request to the Planning Commission. On a roll call vote, motion carried 10-0. Aye votes recorded: Barr, Giovanini, Kallas, Eckhoff, Hicks, Lee, Bradshaw, Clark, Gabor and Wille.

D. Motion by Wille, second by Hicks to approve the Street closings for the events: Swinging Bridges Art Festival, May 6-7; Pontiac Cruise Night Car Shows, May 20, June 17, July 15 and August 19; Mini Cooper Cruise, July 1; GTOAA National Cruise, July 16; and GTOAA All Pontiac Regional Show, Sept. 18. On a roll call vote, motion carried 10-0. Aye votes recorded: Barr, Giovanini, Kallas, Eckhoff, Hicks, Lee, Bradshaw, Clark, Gabor and Wille.

REGULAR AGENDA

A. GLCEDC - Dues Renewal

Adam Dontz presented to Council past year overview and plans for GLCEDC upcoming year.

Motion by Eckhoff, second by Hicks to approve the renewal of the GLCEDC dues for 2023/2024 at a cost of \$23,864.00. On a roll call vote, motion carried 9-1. Aye votes recorded: Barr, Giovanini, Kallas, Eckhoff, Hicks, Lee, Bradshaw, Clark, and Wille.
Nay vote recorded: Gabor

B. Committee Reports

Public Properties and Utilities Meeting held April 7, 2023:
Discussions on possible locations for the ambulance substation.

Finance and Administration Committee held April 10, 2023:

Discussion on a proposed city fee schedule and will be brought to Council for consideration; the ambulance substation; regarding the golf course, use of the halfway house and the pool will remain out of operation until a permanent disposition is finalized.

C. 2023 Fee Schedule

Motion by Eckhoff, second by Gabor to approve proposed fees schedule beginning May 1, 2023 as presented. On a roll call vote, motion carried 10-0. Aye votes recorded: Barr, Giovanini, Kallas, Eckhoff, Hicks, Lee, Bradshaw, Clark, Gabor and Wille.

D. Purchase - Fire Department Extrication Tool

Motion by Hicks, second by Lee to approve the purchase of a battery operated extrication tool for the Fire Department at a cost of \$14,151.00 using a portion of the \$29,060 IPRF Safety Grant. On a roll call vote, motion carried 10-0. Aye votes recorded: Barr, Giovanini, Kallas, Eckhoff, Hicks, Lee, Bradshaw, Clark, Gabor and Wille.

E. Purchase - Police Department Safety Cameras

Motion by Kallas, second by Wille to approve the purchase of mandated body cameras from Motorola at a cost of \$48,435.00. Match grants have been applied for. On a roll call vote, motion carried 10-0. Aye votes recorded: Barr, Giovanini, Kallas, Eckhoff, Hicks, Lee, Bradshaw, Clark, Gabor and Wille.

F. Purchase - Police Department - Digital Evidence Storage Server

Motion by Barr, second by Bradshaw to approve the purchase of a refurbished Digital Evidence Storage Server at a cost of \$5,854.18. On a roll call vote, motion carried 10-0. Aye votes recorded: Barr, Giovanini, Kallas, Eckhoff, Hicks, Lee, Bradshaw, Clark, Gabor and Wille.

G. Purchase - Wastewater Department -Skid-Steer Replacement

Motion by Eckhoff, second by Gabor to approve the purchase of a enclosed cab Skid Steer from Bobcat of Bloomington at a cost of \$44,987.41. On a roll call vote, motion carried 10-0. Aye votes recorded: Barr, Giovanini, Kallas, Eckhoff, Hicks, Lee, Bradshaw, Clark, Gabor and Wille.

H. Status of Stillwell Building

Update regarding the building at 101 N. Mill St. The structure of the building is unsafe and owners have been contacted numerous times. Building and Zoning has received a preliminary drawings from an architectural engineer and are to receive final drawings and status of work to be done by the end of April.

I. Mayor's Presentation for Council Service

Mayor Alvey recognized and presented plaques for service on the Council to Brian Gabor, 5th Ward Alderman for 20 years service and Alderman of the 3rd Ward, Don Hicks for his 10 years service. Also noted was Maggie Clark for her service on the Council.

Mayor Comments

Mayor Alvey announced that Paul Giordano has resigned from the Planning & Zoning Committee after 30 years of service to that board.
The new alderman will be sworn in on May 1, 2023.

Administrator Comments

Jim Woolford set an Infrastructure Committee meeting on Thursday, April 20th at 4:30 P.M.

Council Comments

Alderman Hicks noted that the Schrof sign has been taken down on Howard St.

Both Alderman Gabor and Alderman Hicks thanked all, staff included, for their time on the Council.

Public

Julie Russow asked about the next committee meeting that would be discussing the Pearl St. Solar Project. She will receive an email with the date.

Executive Session

Motion by Eckhoff, second by Giovanini to adjourn to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing Personnel matters as authorized under Section 2(c)2 of the Illinois Open Meetings Act. On a roll call vote, motion carried 10-0. Aye votes recorded: Barr, Giovanini, Kallas, Eckhoff, Lee, Hicks, Bradshaw, Clark, Gabor and Wille.

Return from Executive Session

Adjournment

On motion duly made and seconded, the regular meeting of the City Council is adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Sharon L Dunham
City Clerk