

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON AUGUST 14, 2019 IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF MARTINSVILLE, ILLINOIS.

Roll call was answered by the following council members and elected officials: Chris Davidson, Chris Perry, Troy Propst, John Skinner and Preston Rukes with Melinda Lovell absent. Also in attendance were Mayor Herman Davidson, Clerk Marlene Wilhoit, Treasurer Teresa Connelly and attorney Richard Bernardoni. Employees and citizens in attendance are attached to the back of the minutes.

*Motion by C Davidson 2nd by P Rukes to approve minutes from 7-24-19 council meeting and the 7-23-19 police committee meeting and 7-30-19 utility committee meeting.

Upon roll call vote all alderman present voted for the motion, (5)

*Motion by Skinner 2nd by C Davidson to approve the Treasurer's report as presented.

Upon roll call vote all alderman present voted for the motion, (5)

*Motion by T Propst 2nd by J Skinner to approve the July 2019 bills payable in August 2019 in the amount of \$91,589.80.

Upon roll call vote all alderman present voted for the motion, (5)

*Motion by T Propst 2nd by J Skinner to approve Ordinance No. 2019-8-1 titled: "An Ordinance Setting and Establishing the Rates of Payment for Various Employees of the City of Martinsville, Illinois."

Upon roll call vote all alderman present voted for the motion, (5)

*Motion by J Skinner 2nd by P Rukes to approve the purchase of a 2020 Ford Explorer police package vehicle from Morrow Brothers Ford not to exceed \$41,000.00.

Upon roll call vote all alderman present voted for the motion, (5)

It was noted that any other expense related to the new vehicle will need brought before council for approval.

*Motion by T Propst 2nd by J Skinner to approve Justin Goble as a part time police officer.

Upon roll call vote all alderman present voted for the motion, (5)

Jeremiah Hanley Deputy Sheriff for Clark County addressed council stating that he is the certified sex crime investigator for Clark County and has also been handling the investigations for the City of Martinsville as he is also a part time officer for Martinsville. He has some mandatory training coming up with expenses and is asking council if they would be willing to assist in the offsetting of the costs.

*Motion by C Davidson 2nd by J Skinner to pay the Clark County Sheriff's Department \$300.00 towards the training of Jeremiah Hanley as the Clark County Sex Crime Investigator.

Upon roll call vote all alderman present voted for the motion, (5)

*Motion by P Rukes 2nd by C Davidson to approve the purchase of 2 used Taser X26's with holsters with the following serial numbers; X00-405863 and X00106792 at the cost of \$200.00 for both from the Clark County Sheriff.

Upon roll call vote all alderman present voted for the motion, (5)

The council approved the wording on the applications for employment and agree to accept applications up to September 11, 2019 at which time they will hold a committee meeting to look over applications, set a hiring date, set a rate of pay and begin the interview process.

Preston Rukes representing the Chamber of Commerce addressed council requesting street closings for the upcoming car show during the fall harvest fest on Saturday September 7th. He said he has talked to all the businesses on the main street and they were all okay with blocking off the road. He said they expect several cars and if there are an excessive number they plan to move it to the High School parking lot. After discussing this issue the council would like to put in ordinance form that the Mayor can grant street closing without coming before council each time.

*Motion by T Propst 2nd by C Davidson to grant the Chamber to close Cumberland Street from York Street to Vine Street as needed on September 7, 2019.

Council looked at a quote received from Wolfe Signs & Graphics for 2 new "WELCOME" signs for the north and south entrance into Martinsville and after discussing they will table this and would like another quote to compare and possibly see a design of the sign from Wolfe.

Attorney Bernardoni explained the tax levy work sheet noting we have a few months before it is due so to work on numbers and we will revisit it at a later date.

After previewing the existing ordinance concerning city clerk as collector the attorney notice some verbiage that was missing and inserted into the ordinance for clarification.

*Motion by C Davidson 2nd by T Propst to approve Ordinance No. 2019-8-2 titled; "An Ordinance Concerning City Clerk as Collector."

Upon roll call vote all alderman present voted for the motion, (5)

PUBLIC COMMENTS

John Skinner commended the City for their clean-up work on the property on Mill Street and the ditching that has been accomplished with council agreement.

Mayor Davidson handed out packets to the council containing maps of sidewalks throughout town and a copy of the ordinance on sidewalks and also a map of flushing hydrants throughout town for council to look over.

Mayor Davidson also advised council we would be turning over the property on the west end of Cumberland Street that belongs to Milan Radakovic to the attorney to start proceedings for clean-up.

With no other public comments:

**Motion by J Skinner 2nd by P Rukes to adjourn the meeting @ 8:35PM.

All council members present voted for the motion.

Marlene Wilhoit
City Clerk

