

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON JUNE 10, 2020 IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF MARTINSVILLE, ILLINOIS.

*The meeting was called to order by Mayor Davidson, Alderman Lovell offered a prayer, all in attendance recited the "Pledge of Allegiance" and roll call was answered by the following council members and elected officials: Chris Perry, Melinda Lovell, Troy Propst, Preston Rukes and John Skinner with Chris Davidson absent. Also, in attendance were Mayor Herman Davidson, Clerk Marlene Wilhoit and attorney Richard Bernardoni. Employees and citizens in attendance are attached to the back of the minutes.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

*Bruce Cheeseman voiced his concern with the unkept properties out towards the interstate and the debris that is left on the side of the exit ramps going to the Interstate. Property owners will be notified.

*Several residents that surround the Littlejohn property on West Cumberland Street, that Martinsville on the Move is considering developing into a walking trail voiced their displeasure with the idea. They were advised that the City has nothing to do with this project and that Martinsville on the Move would be holding an informational meeting on June 20th @ 9AM at Linn Park and they should voice their concerns to them.

*Motion by J Skinner 2nd by C Perry to approve minutes of meeting from 05-27-2020.
Upon roll call vote all alderman present voted for the motion (5)

*Motion by M Lovell 2nd by P Rukes to approve the treasurers report for May 2020 as presented.
Upon roll call vote all alderman present voted for the motion (5)

*Motion by J Skinner 2nd by M Lovell to approve May 2020 bills payable June 2020 in the amount of \$53,208.87.
Upon roll call vote all alderman present voted for the motion (5)

*CSX railroad will be installing new gates and arms at the Union Street R/R crossing at no expense to the City.

Motion by T Propst 2nd by J Skinner to approve the stipulated agreement 2076 concerning safety improvements at the Union Street rail road crossing upon completion of review from our attorney.
Upon roll call vote all alderman present voted for the motion (5)

*The council was presented an ordinance concerning outdoor dining on the public right-of-way that needs to be viewed for any changes and will present at the next council meeting.

*Council tabled the discussion of compensation of pay for employees until after the budget committee meeting which T Propst is scheduling for June 24, 2020 at 7PM.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

-tree in front of 218 N Mill needs looked at

-attorney update on property at the west edge of Martinsville on Cumberland Street: have received word that someone is interested in purchasing and clearing the dilapidated property. Complaint against the current owner of the property was heard in court Tuesday (6-9-20). Owner's attorney sought a one-week continuance, but the judge denied and granted the City's request. The city has a lien against the property

for \$6104.00 which includes court cost and attorney fees. This would have to be paid before the property can be sold.

- the Mayor is suggesting that all elected officials take the sexual harassment training and material will be prepared for them

-the Mayor suggested all alderman check their wards for trees that need attention and bad spots in sidewalks that need attention and bring back to council for review.

-phase 4 openings should happen on June 26th

With no other comments:

**Motion by T Propst 2nd by C Perry to adjourn the meeting @ 7:45 PM.

All council members present voted for the motion. (5)

Marlene Wilhoit
City Clerk