

**MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON August 24, 2022 IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF MARTINSVILLE, ILLINOIS.**

\*The meeting was called to order by Mayor Davidson. Alderman Lovell led us in prayer. All in attendance recited the "Pledge of Allegiance." Roll call was answered by the following council members and elected officials: Chris Davidson, Chris Perry, John Skinner, Melinda Lovell, Troy Propst, and Ashley Wilhoit. Also, in attendance were Mayor Herman Davidson, Treasurer Terri Connelly, Clerk Jana Akers, and Attorney Richard Bernardoni. Employees and citizens in attendance are attached to the back of the minutes.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

-Motion by C Perry 2<sup>nd</sup> by M Lovell for approval of August 10, 2022 meeting minutes as modified to say that the sidewalk and railing voted required 2/3s

Upon roll call vote all alderman present voted for the motion (6)

-Motion by C Wilhoit 2<sup>nd</sup> by T Propst on approval on Ordinance 2022-8-2 "Competitive Bidding" (state moved statue to \$25,000)

Upon roll call vote all alderman present voted for the motion (4) Alderperson Lovell & Wilhoit voted noted

-Rick Connelly here to address council about the sidewalk in front of his business. He states they have been in business since 1974 and they bring a lot of business to Martinsville. He is hoping to get it fixed as they have had a lot of people fall on it. He stated that it was sad to him that other places have received new sidewalks and his looks like it does.

- M Lovell states that she would like to get other bids to have it repaired.

-C Davidson states that if you go anywhere else the concrete will be higher than the \$5,000.00 bid that we have now, it was \$21,600.00 all together and he wants it done quickly.

-Council members agreed to keep the concrete bid we have now to be voted on next meeting and to bid out the railing.

-C Davidson also mentioned the funeral home sidewalk

--Mayor Davidson:

-water tower construction done

-paint is going to get started on water tower

-the slide at the Woodlands is fixed

-look at your trees in your wards

-Consolidated reached out and stated the phone at Pap-R-Products wasn't connected but is now up and running

-maybe moving the flag pole from old building to where the handicapped sign is at the new building and then putting the handicapped sign on the pole.

-they are using the backhoe as an anchor for the Waterball competition

-sidewalks will be swept and blown off along with the streets

- York to Washington will be blocked off
- Union will be open

--C Davidson:

- need to start thinking about Christmas lights again
- asked about maybe a city employee being appointed to do Ordinance Violations
- asked about FEMA grants and hiring a grant writer
- Howell is now renting the old building and should be there until around Summer of 2023
- mentioned if they had a date where an antenna could be placed on new water tower

-- M Lovell

- new building looks good
- thanks Ryne for helping
- asked if the police office is done-yes
- mentioned houses around her with all the trash in the yard

--J Skinner

- asked about when the old water tower would be taken down, said he thought that was already included in the bid that was made out for the new tower

-A Wilhoit

- asked if there was a way to get people with extra lots that are empty to get them to put the up for sale.

\*Motion to adjourn meeting at 8:00pm made by C Davidson 2<sup>nd</sup> by C Perry

Jana Akers  
City Clerk