

June 20, 2023

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Pittsfield, Pike County, Illinois, was held on Tuesday, June 20, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was held in the Council Room at the Pittsfield City all at 215 N Monroe Street. The following officers were present: Mayor Gary Mendenhall, City Clerk Ann Moffit, and Alderman Bill Grimsley, Kevin Ketchum, Paul Lennon, Chris Little, Robert Ritchart, Beth White, Robert Wilson, and Kevin Wombles. Mayor Mendenhall presided.

Alderman Ketchum moved to approve June 06, 2023, city council minutes.

Alderman White seconded the motion.

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| Roll Call: | Yea:     | Grimsley, Ketchum, Little,<br>Ritchart, White, Wilson, Wombles (7) |
|            | Nay:     | NONE (0)                                                           |
|            | Present: | Lennon (1)                                                         |

The motion carried.

John Borrowman with Heartland Garden Tractor Pullers spoke about the garden tractor pulls hosted at the Pittsfield Lake. He stated that 4 – 6 pulls have occurred, and the club would like to express their gratitude for use of the location and support of the events. The club would like to make improvements to the track and have had someone volunteer to complete the improvements and asked if the City would be able to contribute and funding towards the fuel for the equipment, which would be \$2,000 to \$3,000.

Alderman Wombles moved to have the Lake Advisory Committee review the request.

Alderwoman White seconded the motion.

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| Roll Call: | Yea:     | Grimsley, Ketchum, Lennon, Little,<br>Ritchart, White, Wilson, Wombles (8) |
|            | Nay:     | NONE (0)                                                                   |
|            | Present: | NONE (0)                                                                   |

The motion carried.

Alderwoman White made moved to approve the request from First Christian Church to close Jefferson Street from Memorial Street to Madison Street on July 16, 2023 from 11 am – 4 pm.

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| Roll Call: | Yea:     | Grimsley, Ketchum, Little,<br>Ritchart, White, Wilson, Wombles (7) |
|            | Nay:     | NONE (0)                                                           |
|            | Present: | Lennon (1)                                                         |

The motion carried.

Mayor's Announcements:

Meetings were held with Hutchison Engineering in reference to the Downtown Revitalization Project.

Mayor Mendenhall met with the Historical Preservation Committee to discuss the Two Rivers Reachout Building.

Mayor Mendenhall and Clerk Ann Moffit attended the ribbon cutting at Midstate Insurance.

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Mayor Mendenhall, Public Works Director Tom Reinhardt and Superintendents Shane Allen and Todd Scranton to schedule work. All alderman should email your requests and notifications to Superintendent Allen or Superintendent Scranton to be placed on the work schedule.

The Street and Alley Committee, Mayor Mendenhall and MECO Engineering held a meeting in reference to the Memorial and Higbee intersection.

Mayor Mendenhall has gathered and reviewed the bi-laws for all City Boards and will be discussing the boards and bi-laws with the City Attorney to ensure that proper procedures are being followed.

Mayor Mendenhall shared the recommended names and logos for the two Disc Golf Courses and suggested that the Lake Advisory Committee should meet to approve the names and logos.

Alderwoman White moved to approve the 2022 Annual Treasurer's Report.  
Alderman Ketchum seconded the motion.

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| Roll Call: | Yea:     | Grimsley, Ketchum, Lennon, Little,<br>Ritchart, White, Wilson, Wombles (8) |
|            | Nay:     | NONE (0)                                                                   |
|            | Present: | NONE (0)                                                                   |

The motion carried.

Alderwoman White moved to approve the May 2023 Monthly Treasurers Report.  
Alderman Ketchum seconded the motion.

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| Roll Call: | Yea:     | Grimsley, Ketchum, Lennon, Little,<br>Ritchart, White, Wilson, Wombles (8) |
|            | Nay:     | NONE (0)                                                                   |
|            | Present: | NONE (0)                                                                   |

The motion carried.

Alderman Wombles moved to approve the Audit Engagement with Franklin & Vaughn LLC for the year ending April 30, 2023.  
Alderman Lennon seconded the motion.

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| Roll Call: | Yea:     | Grimsley, Ketchum, Lennon, Little,<br>Ritchart, White, Wilson, Wombles (8) |
|            | Nay:     | NONE (0)                                                                   |
|            | Present: | NONE (0)                                                                   |

The motion carried.

Alderman Lennon reported that the Public Safety Committee met and discussed vandalism at King Park. The most recent vandalism was to the Library Story Walk equipment. Deputy Chief Thompson noted that with the exception of the newly reported vandalism all cases have been solved. The Police Department will increase patrol in the area.

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Alderman Ketchum reported that the Ordinance Committee met and discussed the need for ordinances and or changes to ordinances in reference to Mobile Food Vendors, Alcohol Sales, and Trash Receptacles.

Alderman Ketchum made a motion to direct Attorney Hollahan to prepare Ordinances in reference to Mobile Food Vendors, Alcoholic Beverages, and Trash Receptables.

Alderman Little seconded the motion.

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| Roll Call: | Yea:     | Grimsley, Ketchum, Lennon, Little,<br>Ritchart, White, Wilson, Wombles (8) |
|            | Nay:     | NONE (0)                                                                   |
|            | Present: | NONE (0)                                                                   |

The motion carried.

Alderman Wombles reported that the Street and Alley Committee met to discuss the Maysville Bridge Bid. Additionally, a bid from Callendar construction was reviewed for 365<sup>th</sup> Avenue, South towards the prison which was \$35,905.00 as well as Cherry Street in the amount of \$14,556.00. Both bids were for Scarfire and Pug Rock.

Alderman Ketchum moved to award the Maysville Bridge Replacement to County Contractors, Inc. with a total bid of \$363,734.00.

Alderman Wombles seconded the motion.

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| Roll Call: | Yea:     | Grimsley, Ketchum, Lennon, Little,<br>Ritchart, White, Wilson, Wombles (8) |
|            | Nay:     | NONE (0)                                                                   |
|            | Present: | NONE (0)                                                                   |

The motion carried.

Alderwoman White moved to approve Change Order #1 for the Maysville Bridge Replacement project to remove Chip Seal and reduce contract to \$348,944.00.

Alderman Ketchum seconded the motion.

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| Roll Call: | Yea:     | Grimsley, Ketchum, Lennon, Little,<br>Ritchart, White, Wilson, Wombles (8) |
|            | Nay:     | NONE (0)                                                                   |
|            | Present: | NONE (0)                                                                   |

The motion carried.

Alderman Wombles moved to approve Maguire Iron 125 MG Water Tower Project MP00000211 Change Order 1 & 2 .

Alderman Ketchum seconded the motion.

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| Roll Call: | Yea:     | Grimsley, Ketchum, Lennon, Little,<br>Wilson, Wombles (6) |
|            | Nay:     | Ritchart, White (2)                                       |
|            | Present: | NONE (0)                                                  |

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The motion carried.

Alderman Lennon moved to approve the agreement with Ziptility Software.  
Alderman Wombles seconded the motion.

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|            | Nay:     | NONE (0)                                                                   |
|            | Present: | NONE (0)                                                                   |

The motion carried.

Alderman Wombles moved to approve the Non-Special Waste Disposal agreement for \$32/ton with the Hickory Ridge Landfill.  
Alderman Ketchum seconded the motion.

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| Roll Call: | Yea:     | Grimsley, Ketchum, Lennon, Little,<br>Ritchart, White, Wilson, Wombles (8) |
|            | Nay:     | NONE (0)                                                                   |
|            | Present: | NONE (0)                                                                   |

The motion carried.

Alderman Wombles moved to approve Ordinance 1713 – An ordinance abating the tax heretofore levied for the year 2022 to pay the debt service on \$600,000 General Obligation Bonds, Series 2016, of the City of Pittsfield, Pike County, Illinois, on its second reading.  
Alderman Ketchum seconded the motion.

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| Roll Call: | Yea:     | Grimsley, Ketchum, Lennon, Little,<br>Ritchart, White, Wilson, Wombles (8) |
|            | Nay:     | NONE (0)                                                                   |
|            | Present: | NONE (0)                                                                   |

The motion carried.

Alderman Ritchart moved to approve Ordinance 1714 – An ordinance abating the tax heretofore levied for the year 2022 to pay the debt service on \$270,000 General Obligation Bonds, Series 1999, of the City of Pittsfield, Pike County, Illinois on its second reading.  
Alderman Wombles seconded the motion.

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| Roll Call: | Yea:     | Grimsley, Ketchum, Lennon, Little,<br>Ritchart, White, Wilson, Wombles (8) |
|            | Nay:     | NONE (0)                                                                   |
|            | Present: | NONE (0)                                                                   |

The motion carried.

Alderwoman White moved to deny a resolution to adopt an IMRF Early Retirement Incentive.  
Alderman Ketchum seconded the motion.

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|          |  | Ritchart, White, Wilson, Wombles (8) |
| Nay:     |  | NONE (0)                             |
| Present: |  | NONE (0)                             |

The motion carried.

Alderman White moved to approve a salary increase of .50/hour to part time Economic Development Director with raise being retroactive to 5/1/2023.

Alderman Wombles seconded the motion.

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| Roll Call: | Yea:     | Grimsley, Ketchum, Lennon, Little,<br>Ritchart, White, Wilson, Wombles (8) |
|            | Nay:     | NONE (0)                                                                   |
|            | Present: | NONE (0)                                                                   |

The motion carried.

Alderman Ritchart moved to approve the purchase of property adjacent to the Little League property from Jim Daniels in the amount of \$8,000.00.

Alderman White seconded the motion.

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| Roll Call: | Yea:     | Grimsley, Ketchum, Lennon, Little,<br>Ritchart, White, Wilson, Wombles (8) |
|            | Nay:     | NONE (0)                                                                   |
|            | Present: | NONE (0)                                                                   |

The motion carried.

Mayor Mendenhall reported that Lindsay Ruble has offered to sell a portion of her property adjacent to Lowry Park. Mr. Reinhardt will mark the intended area to sell and bring the information back to the council.

Alderman Wilson moved to approve Resolution 2023-07, in support of replacement of 5 inch Wall Natural Gas Distribution pike with 6.625 API 5L Pipe.

Alderman Lennon seconded the motion.

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|            | Nay:     | NONE (0)                                                                   |
|            | Present: | NONE (0)                                                                   |

The motion carried.

Alderman Ritchart moved to pay bills as stated by City Clerk.

Alderman Grimsley seconded the motion.

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|            | Nay:     | NONE (0)                                                                   |
|            | Present: | NONE (0)                                                                   |

The motion carried.

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New Business:

Mayor Mendenhall advised that WiFi is up and running at the South Campground.

Alderman Wilson asked if the Pittsfield sign by the interstate could be updated. The sign will be reviewed.

Alderman Grimsley thanked all staff for the maintenance and upkeep around town.

Alderman Ketchum stated that he would like to see security cameras at all locations.

Alderman Wombles asked the date of the first meeting in July due to the holiday. The meeting will be held July 5 at 6pm.

Alderman Little noted that the house at 630 West Jefferson looks very good. The City has mowed it and is in the process of taking possession of the property.

Alderman Wilson asked for an ETA for the Water tower. We have not been given a specific ETA but it should be just a few weeks.

Mayor Mendenhall noted that he would be out of town July 5 – July 9 and Alderman Wombles will be Mayor protem.

Max Middendorf thanked the City staff for the work on the Disc Golf pavilion. Tom Reinhardt noted that we have been working with the Pike County Rotary on this project.

Alderman Ritchart asked the status of the fix or flatten property on Kandy Street. A summons is out for service.

Alderwoman White moved to adjourn this meeting at 7:15 p.m.

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Ann Moffit