

April 02, 2024

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Pittsfield, Pike County, Illinois, was held on Tuesday, April 02, 2024, 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.

Alderman Ketchum moved to approve March 19, 2024, city council minutes.

Alderdwoman Lennon seconded the motion.

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

The motion carried.

Mayor's Announcements:

We have met with Make My Move and they have our site up and running. We have 2 pending applications and 5 additional interested.

A status meeting was held with the USDA in reference to the City Hall expansion progress.

Mayor Mendehall was the emcee at the Easter Egg Hunt that Geared Up hosted. Over 4,000 eggs were hunted. The event was a great success.

The Annual IMGA meeting was last week and was well attended by several Pittsfield officials.

The trout was delivered to the King Park Lagoon last week, opening day of trout season will be April 6. A kids fishing clinic will be hosted on April 6 at 8am.

Mayor Mendenhall has been talking to Jeff Olsen in reference to the Airport Equipment and he believes progress should be made soon

Mayor read thank you notes from the Ty Rylander fund and the JellyStone representatives.

Mayor shared information about the Liberty Village Car show that will be hosted in May.

Alderdwoman White reported that the Finance Committee met today and discussed the upcoming budget, reviewed loan balances and reviewed 2023 Wage Rates. A Finance Committee meeting will be held on April 16 at 3:30 pm to finalize budget details.

Alderman Wilson reported that the Utilities Committee met today and learned from Shane Allen that there were a few water main breaks over the holiday weekend and they were repaired. The natural gas futures were discussed, and the aggregate for the City Business accounts were discussed.

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

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The motion carried.

Alderman White moved to approve the updates to the Industrial Park Covenants for Industrial Park East and Industrial Park West and to prepare the Covenants in Resolution form.

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 Hanger Lease Agreement with Lipcamon Aviation for a 5-year term for \$400/month.

Alderman White seconded the motion.

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

The motion carried.

Mayor Mendenhall stated he is gathering information from Homtown Consulting in reference to an Economic Development Analysis. The matter is tabled.

Alderman White moved to approve Resolution 2024-02, A resolution authorizing Mayor, Clerk or other appropriate officials to execute on behalf of the City of Pittsfield an Electric Supply Agreement.

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 Ritchart moved to approve Resolution 2024-03, A resolution authorizing Mayor, or Public Works Director to enter into contract with the State of Illinois and its agencies or departments..

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 payment of \$500 to Heartland Tractor Club for track repair.

Alderman Wilson seconded the motion.

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

The motion carried.

Liquor Ordinance – Create campground license and revise wording - tabled

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

Alderwoman White seconded the motion.

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

The motion carried.

New Business:

Mayor Mendenhall stated that the promotor as to the Music Festival should have information soon on available acts.

Alderman Ritchart complemented Allen Tire again for the clean-up of their business lot.

Alderman Grimsley asked if a Park Ranger has been hired. Mr. Reinhardt stated the application deadline is April 5. Alderman Grimsley asked how many supper workers we plan to hire, Mr. Reinhardt stated 3 – 4.

Alderman Wombles noted that he met with Kevin Garnett from MECO Engineering and that Admas Street, Memorial to Grove Street, and South Memorial Street, Washington to Fayette should be repaired next. The tentative start date for the Maysville Bridge repair is June 1, 2024.

Alderman Little asked about the fix or flatten houses around town. Tom Reinhardt stated that a few houses have received postings.

Tom stated that the Campground will open April 12. Brush yard is now open. And the Prairie Power Road Use agreement has been sent.

Ed Knight stated that the concrete footings have been poured for the elevator.

Alderwoman White moved to adjourn this meeting at 6:37 p.m.

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Ann Moffit