July 16, 2019

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Pittsfield, Pike County, Illinois, was held on Tuesday, July 16, 2019, at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was held at the City Council room at 215 North Monroe Street. The following officers were present: Mayor John Hayden, City Clerk Cindy Prentice, and Aldermen Kevin Ketchum, Ed Knight, Paul Lennon, Robert Ritchart, Robert Wilson and Robert Wood.
Absent: Aldermen Bill Grimsley and Kevin Wombles.
Mayor Hayden presided.

Alderman Ketchum moved to approve the minutes of the last regular Council meeting.
Alderman Lennon seconded the motion.

Roll Call:	Yea:	Ketchum, Knight, Lennon, Ritchart, Wilson, Wood (6)
	Nay:	None (0)

The motion carried.

Alderman Ketchum moved to approve the Treasurer's Monthly Report for the month of June 2019.
Alderman Knight seconded the motion.

Roll Call:	Yea:	Ketchum, Knight, Lennon, Ritchart, Wilson, Wood (6)
	Nay:	None (0)

The motion carried.

City Clerk Cindy Prentice read Resolution 2019-2, A City of Pittsfield Resolution Recognizing 100 Years of Farm Bureau in Pike County.

Alderman Wilson moved to approve Change Order No. 1 for Diamond Construction for the Clarksville Road project for an additional $8,574.15, a 2.78% change in the contract price.
Alderman Ketchum seconded the motion.

Roll Call:	Yea:	Ketchum, Knight, Lennon, Ritchart, Wilson, Wood (6)
	Nay:	None (0)

The motion carried.

Alderman Wilson moved to approve Pay Request No. 1 in the amount of $300,842.48 and Pay Request No. 2 (Final) in the amount of $15,833.82 for Diamond Construction for the Clarksville Road project.
Alderman Ketchum seconded the motion.

Roll Call:	Yea:	Ketchum, Knight, Lennon, Ritchart, Wilson, Wood (6)
	Nay:	None (0)

The motion carried.

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Alderman Wood moved to approve Change Order No. 1 (Final) for D&L Excavating for alley improvements between South Madison Street and South Monroe Street in the deducted amount of $2,400.00.
Alderman Ketchum seconded the motion.
Roll Call: Yea: Ketchum, Knight, Lennon, Ritchart, Wilson, Wood (6)
Nay: None (0)
The motion carried.

Alderman Wilson moved to approve Pay Request No. 1 (Final) for D&L Excavating for alley improvements between South Madison Street and South Monroe Street in the amount of $87,310.00.
Alderman Wood seconded the motion.
Roll Call: Yea: Ketchum, Knight, Lennon, Ritchart, Wilson, Wood (6)
Nay: None (0)
The motion carried.

Alderman Ketchum moved to approve Ordinance No. 1636, An Ordinance Relating to the Annual Appropriation for the Fiscal Year of the City of Pittsfield, Pike County, Illinois, beginning May 1, 2019 and Ending April 30, 2020, on its first reading.
Alderman Wood seconded the motion.
Roll Call: Yea: Ketchum, Knight, Lennon, Ritchart, Wilson, Wood (6)
Nay: None (0)
The motion carried.

Alderman Ritchart moved to suspend the rules and have the second reading of Ordinance No. 1636 (described above) on its second reading.
Alderman Ketchum seconded the motion.
Roll Call: Yea: Ketchum, Knight, Lennon, Ritchart, Wilson, Wood (6)
Nay: None (0)
The motion carried.

Alderman Ritchart moved to approve Ordinance No. 1636 (described above) on its second reading by title only.
Alderman Ketchum seconded the motion.
Roll Call: Yea: Ketchum, Knight, Lennon, Ritchart, Wilson, Wood (6)
Nay: None (0)
The motion carried.

Discussion on Ordinance No. 1637, Permitted Uses, was tabled.

The Ordinance Committee will be seeking further information on solar panels, social media, and the legalization of cannabis, so no decisions have been made on those topics.

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Alderman Knight moved to allow a 30-minute response time for Gas Department on-call employees and make the change in the employee policy manual.
Alderman Wilson seconded the motion.

Roll Call:	Yea:	Ketchum, Knight, Lennon, Ritchart, Wilson, Wood (6)
	Nay:	None (0)

The motion carried.

Alderman Ketchum moved to approve the resignation of City Clerk Cindy Prentice effective September 12, 2019.
Alderman Lennon seconded the motion.

Roll Call:	Yea:	Ketchum, Knight, Lennon, Ritchart, Wilson, Wood (6)
	Nay:	None (0)

The motion carried.

Alderman Ritchart moved to approve the Finance Committee Report and the Clerk be directed to issue the claims thereon.
Alderman Ketchum seconded the motion.

Roll Call:	Yea:	Ketchum, Knight, Lennon, Ritchart, Wilson, Wood (6)
	Nay:	None (0)

The motion carried.

Mayor Hayden reported they have run into a problem sawing the 18" thick concrete sidewalk at Gianni's and are looking for a solution. He would like the Airport Committee to meet within the next couple weeks to discuss a three-year extension for the cash rent. This quarter's employee safety meeting has been postponed one week and will be July 23, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. Work will begin soon on the roads by Illini Hospital and McDonalds. The area on Washington Street that was dug up for repair by the Gas and Water Department is also ready to patch.

Alderman Knight reported the company came to look at the handicapped dock at the lake last Saturday and they will be here in two weeks to do modifications.

Mayor Hayden stated more money was put in for water line extension and wondered if the permits were still good for the extension on the north side of town. MECO Engineer Max Middendorf and Interim Gas Foreman Steve Watkins will check on the permit.

There will be another workday for the disc golf course at the lake Saturday, July 13 at 9:00 a.m. Max Middendorf thanked Alderman Ketchum for hauling rock to the course last Saturday and thanked Alderman Lennon and his nephew for helping. Mayor Hayden suggested and approved the use of City equipment and a City employee to earn overtime to help with the project this Saturday.

Max Middendorf announced there will be a fundraiser for the Community Center August 15, 2019 from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Cost is $10 for adults and $5 for children 8 and under.

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Alderman Wood moved to go into closed session at 6:40 p.m. to discuss litigation and personnel.
Mayor Hayden asked City Attorney Mike Hollahan, MECO Engineer Max Middendorf and Economic Development Director Diana Halmick to stay for the first topic of the meeting.
Alderman Ketchum seconded the motion.

Roll Call:	Yea:	Ketchum, Knight, Lennon, Ritchart, Wilson, Wood (6)
	Nay:	None (0)

The motion carried.

Alderman Lennon moved to go back into open session at 6:54 p.m.
Alderman Ritchart seconded the motion.

Roll Call:	Yea:	Ketchum, Knight, Lennon, Ritchart, Wilson, Wood (6)
	Nay:	None (0)

The motion carried.

Alderman Ritchart moved to authorize Mayor Hayden and the Finance Committee to select a candidate to work with City Clerk Cindy Prentice before her retirement.
Alderman Wood seconded the motion.

Roll Call:	Yea:	Ketchum, Knight, Lennon, Ritchart, Wilson, Wood (6)
	Nay:	None (0)

The motion carried.

Alderman Lennon moved to authorize the Gas Committee and the Gas Foreman to hire a new gas department employee.
Alderman Wood seconded the motion.

Roll Call:	Yea:	Ketchum, Knight, Lennon, Ritchart, Wilson, Wood (6)
	Nay:	None (0)

The motion carried.

Alderman Knight moved to adjourn this meeting at 6:56 p.m.

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City Clerk