October 15, 2019

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Pittsfield, Pike County, Illinois, was held on Tuesday, October 15, 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 Ann Moffit, and Aldermen Bill Grimsley, Kevin Ketchum, Ed Knight, Paul Lennon, Robert Ritchart, Robert Wilson, and Kevin Wombles.
Mayor Hayden presided.

Alderman Ketchum moved to approve the minutes of the October 1, 2019 Council meeting.
Alderman Ritchart seconded the motion.
Roll Call:  
Yea: Grimsley, Knight, Lennon, Richart, Wilson, (5)  
Nay: None (0)  
Present: Wombles  
The motion carried.

Alderman Ketchum moved to approve the Treasurer’s Monthly Report for the month of September, 2019.
Alderman Ritchart seconded the motion.
Roll Call:  
Yea: Grimsley, Ketchum, Knight, Lennon, Richart, Wilson, Wombles (7)  
Nay: None (0)  
The motion carried.

Mayor Hayden read the proclamation to set 1st Saturday in August as James E. Halpin day.

Alderman Ketchum moved to approve the Santa Parade on December 1, 2019 at 3:00 pm. The route being the Homecoming Parade route, beginning at the High School, ending at the William Watson Hotel on the South Side of the Square.
Alderman Grimsley seconded the motion.
Roll Call:  
Yea: Grimsley, Ketchum, Knight, Lennon, Richart, Wilson, Wombles (7)  
Nay: None (0)  
The motion carried.

Alderman Ritchart moved to approve Ordinance No. 1642, An Ordinance amending Zoning Code Section 156 Special Uses of the Code of Ordinance for the City of Pittsfield, Pike County, Illinois, on its second reading.
Alderman Ketchum seconded the motion.
Roll Call:  
Yea: Grimsley, Ketchum, Knight, Lennon, Richart, Wilson, Wombles (7)  
Nay: None (0)  
The motion carried.
Alderman Ritchart moved to accept the recommendation of the Zoning Committee to approve the Special Use Permit for Justyce Carsey for Massage Therapy at 812 W. Adams Street, Pittsfield, IL. Alderman Ketchum seconded the motion.

Roll Call:
Yea: Grimsley, Ketchum, Knight, Lennon, Richart, Wilson, Wombles (7)
Nay: None (0)

The motion carried.

Alderman Lennon moved to approve Ordinance 1643, An Ordinance Amending Section 150.03 of Chapter 150, Title XV of the Code of Ordinances for the City of Pittsfield, Pike County, Illinois, on its second reading. Alderman Grimsley seconded the motion.

Roll Call:
Yea: Grimsley, Ketchum, Knight, Lennon, Richart, Wilson, Wombles (7)
Nay: None (0)

The motion carried.

Ordinance 1645 was tabled for further review.

Alderman Knight moved to approve Ordinance 1644, An Ordinance Amending Zoning Code Section B-3 Highway Business District of the Code of Ordinances for the City of Pittsfield, Pike County, Illinois, on its first reading. Alderman Wombles seconded the motion.

Roll Call:
Yea: Grimsley, Ketchum, Knight, Lennon, Richart, Wilson, Wombles (7)
Nay: None (0)

Alderman Wombles moved to suspend the rules of the 2nd reading of Ordinance 1644, as stated above. Alderman Wilson seconded the motion.

Roll Call:
Yea: Grimsley, Ketchum, Knight, Lennon, Richart, Wilson, Wombles (7)
Nay: None (0)

The motion carried.

Alderman Ritchart moved to approve Ordinance 1644, as described above, on its 2nd reading.

Roll Call:
Yea: Grimsley, Ketchum, Knight, Lennon, Richart, Wilson, Wombles (7)
Nay: None (0)

The motion carried.
Alderman Wombles moved to approve Ordinance 1646, An Ordinance Providing for Installation of No Parking Signs within the City of Pittsfield, Pike County, Illinois, on its first reading. Alderman Lennon seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Yea: Grimsley, Ketchum, Knight, Lennon, Richart, Wilson, Wombles (7)  
Nay: None (0)  
The motion carried.

Alderman Wombles moved to suspend the rules of the 2nd reading of Ordinance 1646, as described above. Alderman Wilson seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Yea: Grimsley, Ketchum, Knight, Lennon, Richart, Wilson, Wombles (7)  
Nay: None (0)  
The motion carried.

Alderman Ritchart moved to approve Ordinance 1646, as described above, on its 2nd reading. Alderman Ketchum seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Yea: Grimsley, Ketchum, Knight, Lennon, Richart, Wilson, Wombles (7)  
Nay: None (0)  
The motion carried.

Alderman Wombles moved to approve Ordinance 1647, An Ordinance Approving and Authorized the Execution of a Tax Increment Financing (TIF) District Redevelopment Agreement for Pittsfield Tax Increment Financing District 1 on its first reading. Alderman Ketchum seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Yea: Grimsley, Ketchum, Knight, Lennon, Richart, Wilson, Wombles (7)  
Nay: None (0)  
The motion carried.

Alderman Wombles moved to suspend the rules of the 2nd reading of Ordinance 1647, as described above. Alderman Ketchum seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Yea: Grimsley, Ketchum, Knight, Lennon, Richart, Wilson, Wombles (7)  
Nay: None (0)  
The motion carried.
Alderman Ritchart moved to approve Ordinance 1647, An Ordinance Approving and Authorized the Execution of a Tax Increment Financing (TIF) District Redevelopment Agreement for Pittsfield Tax Increment Financing District 1, on its 2nd reading. Alderman Ketchum seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Yea: Grimsley, Ketchum, Knight, Lennon, Richart, Wilson, Wombles (7)  
Nay: None (0)  
The motion carried.

City Attorney Mike Hollahan recommended that the Ordinance Committee schedule a meeting to discuss the Cannabis Ordinance. It’s his opinion that we need an Ordinance passed stating if the City will not allow cannabis sales or if the City will allow sales an Ordinance should be passed specifying the details.

The Ordinance Committee met today, October 15, 2019 and advised the council that there was discussion about the proposed Solar Energy Ordinance. The Committee asked Attorney Hollahan to make a few changes to the Ordinance.  
Alderman Ritchart moved to have the Water Department, with assistance from the Street and Alley Department to complete hydrant flushing twice a year, once in the Spring and once in the Fall.  
Alderman Grimsley seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Yea: Grimsley, Ketchum, Knight, Lennon, Richart, Wilson, Wombles (7)  
Nay: None (0)  
The motion carried.

Alderman Ketchum moved to approve an overage of expenses of $692.33 for three alderman, City Clerk, and Economic Development Director who attended the Illinois Municipal Convention in Chicago.  
Alderman Knight seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Yea: Grimsley, Ketchum, Knight, Lennon, Richart, Wilson, Wombles (7)  
Nay: None (0)  
The motion carried.

Mayor Hayden noted that Trick or Treat dates and times have been previously set by Ordinance and will be October 30 & October 31 during the hours of 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

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

Roll Call: Yea: Grimsley, Ketchum, Knight, Lennon, Richart, Wilson, Wood (7)
Nay: None (0)

The motion carried.

Mayor Hayden stated that he has received plans on letting for new road on Jackson and Washington Streets on January 17, 2020. Alderman Wombles stated that he and Max Middendorf will meet with IDOT officials about the project.

Closure of the lake, for the season, should be discussed at one of the upcoming council meetings. Mayor Hayden asked the Alderman to be considering their opinions on the road on the east side of the lake remaining open, as he expects it to be requested.

CASCO has provided a bid of $4,300 to reseal the walking path at Lowry Park. This cost is the same as the cost when CASCO performed this work previously. Mayor Hayden stated that CASCO will perform the work as scheduling permits.

Max Middendorf shared a photo of the proposed west water tower. The proposal is to have the water tower painted white along with the new City logo. A bid date for the project will be set in the next few weeks.
Alderman Lennon has been asked by Westbrook’s about the condition of the road and bridge leading to their house. Street and Alley Superintendent, Jeff Griggs, advised that the bridge is on the bad list by County Engineer Chris Johnson. Mr. Griggs indicated that he would have the pot holes filled.

Alderman Ed Knight reminded the Council of the grand opening of the disc golf, which is October 26, 2019. Max Middendorf stated that there is a volunteer meeting at the Courtyard Café, Thursday at 5:30 and that many volunteers are needed.

Beth Zumwalt asked about the location of an Autoparts store that Ordinance 1644 was passed for. Tom Reinhardt explained that there is no current Auto Parts store in the planning stages and that the Ordinance was passed because there has been previous interest and in case there is future interest there would be no delay.

Jim Filbert asked who would be receiving the 60% in the new TIF Redevelopment Agreement. Mayor Hayden stated that Whitetail Properties would be and that it was a result of negotiations in reference to parking.

City Clerk Ann Moffit stated that Teresa Miller had called and stated that she has been camping at the City Lake for many years and that this year the Campgrounds have been the cleanest and nicest that they have in many years.

Alderman Knight moved to adjourn this meeting at 6:38 p.m.

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City Clerk