

October 20, 2020

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Pittsfield, Pike County, Illinois, was held on Tuesday, October 20, 2020, at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was held at the Fire Department Meeting Room at 121 East Jefferson Street. The following officers were present: Mayor John Hayden, City Clerk Ann Moffit, Aldermen Paul Lennon, Robert Ritchart, Beth White, Robert Wilson, Kevin Wombles, and Robert Wood. Alderman Bill Grimsley was present via teleconference. Alderman Kevin Ketchum was absent. Mayor Hayden presided.

Alderman Lennon moved to approve the minutes of the October 6, 2020 Council meeting.

Alderman Ritchart seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Yea: Grimsley, Lennon, Ritchart
 White, Wilson, Wombles, Wood (7)
 Present: None (0)
 Nay: None (0)

The motion carried.

Alderman White moved to approve the September 2020 Treasurer's Report.

Alderman Wood seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Yea: Grimsley, Lennon, Ritchart
 White, Wilson, Wombles, Wood (7)
 Present: None (0)
 Nay: None (0)

The motion carried

Alderman Wood moved to approve the annual audit for fiscal year May 1, 2019 to April 30, 2020 as presented by Franklin & Vaughn, LLC.

Alderman Wilson seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Yea: Grimsley, Lennon, Ritchart
 White, Wilson, Wombles, Wood (7)
 Present: None (0)
 Nay: None (0)

The motion carried.

Alderman Wombles moved to direct Attorney Hollahan to prepare an ordinance to vacate the portion of the east/west alley lying between Lots 47 and 48 in Quinby's 3rd Edition, from North Jackson Street to the north/south alley to the rear of said lots.

Roll Call: Yea: Grimsley, Lennon, Ritchart
 White, Wilson, Wombles, Wood (7)
 Present: None (0)
 Nay: None (0)

The motion carried.

Alderman Wood moved to accept the Planning Commission's recommendation to deny the request to rezone property located at 326 East Fayette Street from -3 Multiple-Family to B-3 Highway Business.

Alderman Lennon seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Yea: Grimsley, Lennon, Ritchart
 White, Wilson, Wombles, Wood (7)

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Present: None (0)
Nay: None (0)

The motion carried.

Alderman Ritchart moved to approve the Zoning Committee's recommendation to allow the variance request of Derek Oitker and Kendra Conkright, owners of 708 W Washington Street, to allow a fence be erected in a five feet wrought iron style fence in the front and side yard, which will exceed the four feet height limit.

Alderwoman White seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Yea: Grimsley, Lennon, Ritchart
White, Wilson, Wombles, Wood (7)
Present: None (0)
Nay: None (0)

The motion carried.

Alderman Wood moved to accept the Water Committee's recommendation to enter into contract with SAM company to move forward with the mapping of the water lines within the City of Pittsfield.

Roll Call: Yea: Grimsley, Lennon, Ritchart
White, Wilson, Wombles, Wood (7)
Present: None (0)
Nay: None (0)

The motion carried.

Alderman Wood moved to direct Attorney Hollahan to prepare an ordinance to approve Veterinary Service/Animal Hospital as a permitted use in I1.

Alderwoman White

Roll Call: Yea: Grimsley, Lennon, Ritchart
White, Wilson, Wombles, Wood (7)
Present: None (0)
Nay: None (0)

The motion carried.

Alderman Wombles moved to approve Ordinance No. 1667, An Ordinance provided for installation of Stop Signs within the City of Pittsfield, on its first reading.

Alderman Lennon seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Yea: Grimsley, Lennon, White, Wombles (4)
Present: None (0)
Nay: Ritchart, Wilson, Wood (3)

The motion carried.

Alderman Ritchart moved to deny the petition for de-annexation of 685 Roosevelt Street and 575 Kesphol Street by Donald J. Swartz.

Alderman Lennon seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Yea: Grimsley, Lennon, Ritchart

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Present: White, Wilson, Wombles, Wood (7)
None (0)
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.

Roll Call: Yea: Grimsley, Lennon, Ritchart
White, Wilson, Wombles, Wood (7)
Present: None (0)
Nay: None (0)

The motion carried

Mayor stated that the contractor should start on the exterior wall of the Serenity Day Spa building on Thursday.

City Clean-up is October 31-November 7 with hours being Saturday 7am – 4pm and Monday – Friday 7 am – 7 pm.

Brush pick up will be the second Monday of November due to the City Clean-up being on the first Monday.

Alderman Ritchart asked about the paint in handicap parking spots and if we should use a different type of paint for durability. Mayor Hayden stated the handicap spots should be painted this week. Mr. Reinhardt stated the type of paint used is a recommended paint for that project. The fading has occurred because the repainting is normally done in at the beginning of summer and has been delayed this year.

Ed Knight indicated that he is in the process of submitting an IDOT Safe Route To School grant application for a sidewalk from Piper Lane to PCS.

The Golf Cart Halloween parade has been set and will be from Pittsfield High School, north on Monroe, turns left on Adams Street, around square, to Memorial Street, turns left on Memorial and south back to Higbee Street.

Alderwoman White moved to adjourn this meeting at 6:34 p.m.

City Clerk