

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF
THE CITY OF HERRIN COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF HERRIN, ILLINOIS HELD IN THE
COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF CITY HALL ON
JANUARY 14, 2019 AT 6:00 P.M.

Mayor Steve Frattini called the meeting to order and asked Michael Neubert, First Presbyterian Church to lead us in prayer. Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Shelly Huggins, City Clerk called the roll and the following were present:

STEVE FRATTINI	Mayor
SHELLY HUGGINS	City Clerk
CARL GOODWIN	Treasurer
JOHN BREWSTER	City Attorney
DAVID SHOEMAKE	Alderman Ward I
SHEILA AHLGREN	Alderman Ward I
PAUL YORK	Alderman Ward II
RANDY CROMPTON	Alderman Ward II
SCOTT KINLEY	Alderman Ward III
STEVE MILLER	Alderman Ward III
MARILYN RUPPEL	Alderman Ward IV
BILL SIZEMORE	Alderman Ward IV

PUBLIC Tom Boren commented on how the City didn't look good for Christmas. Mayor has received other letters and comments along this line. We will encourage any efforts, but this is not a city function. He suggested contacting the Chamber of commerce.

Tim Vaughn asked if we know of the Sav-a-Lot building plans. The Dollar Tree negotiations have fallen off, as of now we have no idea what will be there.

Students from HHS Government class was in attendance.

MINUTES OF DECEMBER 26, 2018 Motion made by Alderman Shoemake, seconded by Alderman Ahlgren to approve the minutes of the December 26, 2018 Council Meeting. Alderman Ahlgren, York, Crompton, Kinley, Miller, Ruppel, Sizemore and Shoemake voted "Yea". None voted "Nay".

TREASURER'S REPORT Treasurer Carl Goodwin stated audit is complete and we will accept later in meeting.

BUDGET OFFICE Carrie Cravens, Budget Director stated that item #2 agreement is with Kerber, Eck & Braeckel for additional Three years to be our auditor. Recommendation is to stay with them. Carl recommends as well.

CODES/ ANIMAL Codes Administrator Robert Craig stated codes is moving along. There is a zoning meeting Monday, January 21 at 6 p.m. Animal control has 10 dogs and 10 cats. 2 dogs and 3 cats are going to rescue tomorrow and a dog is being adopted this week. We have had several positive comments about our new animal control warden. We need to get her some help. We could offer microchip and animal registration for \$20. This needs to go out to committee as well as a live trap rental program.

PUBLIC WORKS Bill Sizemore, Chairman of the Public Works Committee thanked employees for road cleaning.

Tom Somers, Public Works Director was absent from the meeting.

PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT Marilyn Ruppel, Chairman of the Public Improvement Committee had nothing to report.

PUBLIC SAFETY Quinn Laird, Police Chief directed everyone to check out the HPD Facebook page and take a look at the WSIL news story regarding three of our officers donating a bicycle to a boy who had his stolen.

Shawn Priddy, Fire Chief stated they installed 369 smoke detectors donated by Red Cross, saving the City approximately \$5,000.

David Shoemake, Chairman of the Public Safety Committee stated they met earlier and have items later in the agenda.

FINANCE Motion was made by Alderman York, seconded by Alderman Shoemake to authorize bills to be paid before the Council. Alderman Crompton, Kinley, Miller, Ruppel, Sizemore, Shoemake, Ahlgren and York voted "Yea". None voted "Nay".

INSURANCE Sheila Ahlgren, Chairman of the Insurance Committee had nothing to report.

LIBRARY Marilyn Ruppel, Liaison for the Herrin City Library gave the 2018 report. Tony and Elisa Gualdoni will Have a program about Louie's P & R on 1/18 at 2 p.m. at the Library.

CIVIC CENTER Scott Kinley, Liaison for the Herrin Civic Center stated Queen of Hearts is 1/15 for \$4,103. 1/19 SI Opry 2/1 Chamber Dinner

NEW BUSINESS:

AUDIT 5/1/17 TO 4/30/18 Motion made by Alderman York, seconded by Alderman Kinley to accept the Audit for May 1, 2017 to April 30, 2018. Alderman Crompton, Kinley, Miller, Ruppel, Sizemore, Shoemake, Ahlgren and York Voted "Yea". None voted "Nay".

AGREEMENT KERBER, ECK & BRAECKEL Motion made by Alderman Kinley, seconded by Alderman Crompton to approve agreement with Kerber, Eck & Braeckel for three years of auditing. Alderman Kinley, Miller, Ruppel, Sizemore, Shoemake, Ahlgren, York and Crompton voted "Yea". None voted "Nay".

RESOLUTION 1- 2019 USE OF TIF FUNDS Motion made by Alderman Miller, seconded by Alderman Ruppel to pass Resolution 1-2019 Use of TIF funds for City Hall Improvements. Alderman Miller, Ruppel, Sizemore, Shoemake, Ahlgren, York, Crompton and Kinley voted "Yea". None voted "Nay".

AUTHORIZATION TO GO OUT FOR BIDS POLICE RADIO SYSTEM Motion made by Alderman Shoemake, seconded by Alderman Miller to authorize going out for bids for Police Radio System. Alderman Ruppel, Sizemore, Shoemake, Ahlgren, York, Crompton, Kinley and Miller voted "Yea". None voted "Nay".

AUTHORIZATION TO HIRE 3 PART-TIME DISPATCHERS Motion made by Alderman Shoemake, seconded by Alderman Kinley to authorize hiring of 3 part time dispatchers. Alderman Sizemore, Shoemake, Ahlgren, York, Crompton, Kinley, Miller and Ruppel voted "Yea". None voted "Nay".

LOT UPDATE 401 N PARK Mayor spoke with owner again. Offer remains at \$40,000 with 1st right of refusal if adjoining business goes under. Mayor will go back to him stating we are refusing offer.

MAYOR Civic Center Fundraiser Gala is 2/23. Tickets are \$50 and going fast.

COUNCIL Alderman Ruppel stated she had cats picked up and animal control was easy to work with and very nice. Also stated public works street cleanup was a great job.

Alderman Kinley thanked the fire department for allowing him to use the simulator.

Alderman Ahlgren has had discussions with individuals regarding having volunteers help with decorating downtown for Christmas.

ADJOURN Motion made by Alderman Miller, seconded by Alderman Kinley to adjourn. Alderman Sizemore, Shoemake, Ahlgren, York, Crompton, Kinley, Miller and Ruppel voted "Yea". None voted "Nay".


STEVE FRATTINI, MAYOR

ATTEST:


SHELLY HUGGINS, CITY CLERK