

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
FEBRUARY 25, 2019 AT 6:00 P.M.

Mayor Steve Frattini called the meeting to order and led 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	absent
JOHN BREWSTER	Treasurer
DAVID SHOEMAKE	City Attorney
SHEILA AHLGREN	Alderman Ward I
PAUL YORK	Alderman Ward I
RANDY CROMPTON	Alderman Ward II
SCOTT KINLEY	absent
STEVE MILLER	Alderman Ward III
MARILYN RUPPEL	Alderman Ward III
BILL SIZEMORE	Alderman Ward IV

PUBLIC Dr. Ray Hancock, past president of JALC introduced John Streuter who is running for the JALC Board. Mr. Streuter stated he is available to talk with anyone interested. He was raised in Murphysboro and has lived in Carterville for 29 years. He has been in banking for 34 years.

Rod Miller moved to Herrin and lives on South 6th Street. He wants to complain about a house next door at 609 S. 6th Street. He has made numerous complaints to codes. It is a Becker home and he requests that we make them clean it up.

Shannon Johnson with Visit SI gave a report on tourism growth in our area. Expenditures were up 5% resulting in an increase in our state and local sales tax receipts. The Colt World Series will be returning to Rent One Park for 3 years. The Canadian Wild will be using the park as well this year. They are looking into bringing E-sports events.

Jason Shadowen, scout leader for troop 18 brought a group of scouts working on their Citizenship in the Community Badge. The boys introduced themselves.

MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 11, 2019 Motion made by Alderman Shoemake, seconded by Alderman Ahlgren to approve the minutes of the February 11, 2019 Council Meeting. Alderman Ahlgren, York, Crompton, Miller, Ruppel, Sizemore and Shoemake voted "Yea". None voted "Nay".

TREASURER'S REPORT Treasurer Carl Goodwin was absent from the meeting.

BUDGET OFFICE Carrie Cravens, Budget Director had nothing to report.

CODES/ ANIMAL Codes Administrator Robert Craig reiterated that portable warehouses are not suitable to be lived in and they require a building permit. We've had another house torn down by owner. We are working on several abandoned vehicles. Animal Control thanks all who have been donating food and supplies. Recently West Frankfort Kroger made a donation as well. We may need to work on the ordinance to define animal shelter. We still have a part-time vacancy in animal control.

PUBLIC WORKS Bill Sizemore, Chairman of the Public Works Committee stated that we have had many calls regarding roads being washed away. Please call and report so they may be fixed.

Tom Somers, Public Works Director reiterated what Alderman Sizemore stated.

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

PUBLIC SAFETY Quinn Laird, Police Chief was absent from the meeting. Deputy Chief Blake stated they have applied for and received an IDOT grant and during April will be enforcing distracted driving. Grant provides for about an additional 60 man hours.

Shawn Priddy, Fire Chief stated next week is Severe Weather Preparedness Week. Please remember that our sirens don't always wake you up, make sure you have a NOAA radio.

David Shoemake, Chairman of the Public Safety Committee stated still in fire contract talks. If no settlement, arbitration is Friday.

FINANCE Motion was made by Alderman York, seconded by Alderman Shoemake to authorize bills to be paid before the Council. Alderman Crompton, 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 stated in January Library was open 26 days, 139 items checked out per day, 538 OPAC users, 5,778 borrowers, 46,701 volumes available and 1101 website users. The pancake breakfast will be 3/23 and on 4/28 there will be an open house.

CIVIC CENTER Scott Kinley, Liaison for the Herrin Civic Center was absent from the meeting. Richard Melvin, Director stated Queen of Hearts is 2/26, gala committee presented check for \$10,000 and HHS drama club is Thursday and Friday.

NEW BUSINESS:

AWARD BID POLICE DEPT Motion made by Alderman Miller, seconded by Alderman Crompton to award bid for police department radio system to Novacom for \$55,950. Alderman Crompton, Miller, Ruppel, Sizemore, Shoemake,

Ahlgren and York voted "Yea". None voted "Nay".

RESOLUTION 2-2019 MFT MAINTENANCE & ESTIMATE OF COSTS
Motion made by Alderman Miller, seconded by Alderman York to pass Resolution 2-2019 Resolution for MFT Maintenance & Estimate of Costs. Section 19-00000-00-GM. Alderman Miller, Ruppel, Sizemore, Shoemake, Ahlgren, York and Crompton voted "Yea". None voted "Nay".

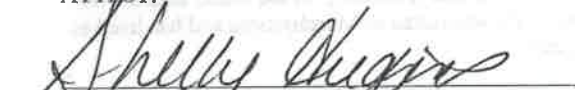
MAYOR None.

COUNCIL Alderman Sizemore asked about some street lights near hospital that were approved. City Clerk will check on.

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


STEVE FRATTINI, MAYOR

ATTEST:


SHELLY HUGGINS, CITY CLERK