

ASSUMPTION CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, May 1, 2024

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Bromwell Lodge by Mayor Derek Page who led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call was answered by Alderpersons Selena Reed, Kandy Smith, Travis Sullivan, Donny Walden and Ross Workman. Also, present were Mayor Derek Page, Attorney Stephen Hedinger, Treasurer Angel Palmer, Employee Dana Owens and City Clerk Janet Waller. Absent was Alderperson Gary Nelsen.

Present in the audience were Donna Ohl, Jane Brackett, Engineer Ron Legner from Chastain's & Associates and Engineer Mark Bingham from Bingham Professional Services.

Council Member Walden, seconded by Council Member Workman, made a **motion to approve the minutes of April 3, 2024 City Council Meeting**. Motion carried with Alderpersons Workman, Walden, Sullivan, Smith and Reed voting aye and 0 nays. Alderperson Nelsen was absent.

Approval of Bills:

Council Member Sullivan, seconded by Council Member Walden, made a **motion to approve the payment of bills as they appear on Warrant Sheets**. Motion carried with Alderpersons Reed, Smith, Sullivan, Walden and Workman voting aye and 0 nays. Alderperson Nelsen was absent.

Public Comments on Agenda Items:

The public would like to know what the City is going to do about an issue in a ditch. The ditch needs to be cleaned out so the nearby residents do not get flooded. They would like to know who is responsible for cleaning out the ditch.

Communications from the Mayor:

The Illinois Department of Transportation will be having a public hearing on June 6 from 4 to 6 pm at the Central A&M Middle School to listen to public comments on the Rt 51 and Leafland Intersection. All public are encouraged to attend.

Letters regarding mowing have been going out. Liens are being placed on residents property if the City has to hire the mowing to be done.

Letters will be going out also for the junk vehicles in town. It will be courtesy letter and vehicles will be tagged for 30 days and towed away.

Mayor Page thanked Alderperson Ross Workman for being on the City Council. Ross is moving to another ward in the City.

Communications from the City Attorney:

Attorney Hedinger will go over things as they are on the agenda as needed.

Communications from the Treasurer:

A 12 month CD is up for renewal.

Communications from the Alderpersons:

Alderperson Smith would like to know what can be done with the cats that are loose in the City. Animal Control Officer Owens noted all cats and dogs are required to be on a leash when they are outside. Residents need to be responsible for their dog or cat.

Under New Business:

Engineer Ron Legner gave an update on the Sanitary Sewer Phase 2 Project. Petersburg Plumbing has had crews working on Poplar Street along with College and North Street.

The watermain project will be getting samples for an operating permit.

The Water Treatment Plant will be opening sealed bids on May 21, 2024. A Special Meeting will be on May 21 at 6 pm to discuss and approve a bid for the Water Treatment Plant.

The following disbursement was presented.

Motion to approve Sanitary Sewer Project

Petersburg Pay Request	\$193,830.87
Loan Disbursement	\$213,425.73
Total	\$407,256.60

Council Member Walden, seconded by Workman, made a **motion to approve the Petersburg Pay request for \$193,830.87 and loan disbursement for \$213,425.73 for a total of \$407,256.60.** Motion carried with Alderpersons Reed, Walden, Sullivan, Workman and Nelsen voting aye and Alderperson Smith was absent.

The following disbursement were present:

Motion to approve Watermain Replacement Project

Petersburg Pay Request	\$73,534.32
Loan Disbursement	\$74,712.23
Total	\$148,246.55

Council Member Smith, seconded by Council Member Walden, made a **motion to approve payment of a total of \$148,246.55 for Petersburg Plumbing pay request of \$73,534.32 and a loan disbursement of \$74,712.23.** Motion carried with Alderpersons Smith, Walden, Workman, Sullivan and Reed. Alderperson Nelsen was absent.

Motion to approve Chastain invoices:

8829-01 Lead Service Line Inventory	\$567.72
6886-53 Sewer Separation Phase 2	\$19,594.86
7644.01-21 Water Improvements design & construction	\$6,678.03
7644-46 Water Improvements – Water Plant Addition	\$7,301.07
Total Amount	\$34,141.68

Council Member Walden, seconded by Council Member Reed, made a **motion to pay the above listed invoices for a total of \$34,141.68.** Motion carried with Alderpersons Reed, Walden, Sullivan, Smith and Workman voting aye and 0 nays. Alderperson Nelsen was absent.

A new pin finder is needed for the Water Department as the other cannot be repaired. The cost is \$1,000.00. Council Member Workman, seconded by Smith, made a **motion to approve a pin finder for \$1,000.00.** Motion carried with Alderpersons Walden, Smith, Workman, Reed and Sullivan voting aye and 0 nays. Alderperson Nelsen was absent.

The cost of a new air compressor for the Street Department is approximately \$2,500.00. Council Member Workman, seconded by Sullivan, made a **motion to approve the purchase of a new air compressor for \$2,500.00 for the Street Department.** Motion carried with Alderpersons Workman, Walden, Sullivan, Smith and Reed voting aye and 0 nays. Alderperson Nelsen was absent.

A preliminary ordinance was presented to authorize City Expenditures pending an adoption of an annual appropriation ordinance. Council Member Smith, seconded by Council Member Reed, made a **motion to adopt Ordinance 818 to authorize City Expenditures pending adoption of an annual appropriation ordinance.** Motion carried with Alderpersons Sullivan, Smith, Reed, Walden and Workman voting aye and 0 nays. Alderperson Nelsen was absent.

The cost to repair a sidewalk at GSI is \$2,800.00. Council Member Reed, seconded by Council Member Workman, made a **motion to approve the sidewalk repair at GSI for \$2,800.00**. Motion carried with Alderpersons Workman, Sullivan, Reed. Walden and Smith abstained. Mayor Page voted aye. Alderperson Nelsen was absent.

The cost for a sidewalk at 1905 Brewing Company will be \$9,850.00. Council Member Walden, seconded by Council Member Sullivan, made a **motion to approve a sidewalk at 1905 Brewing Company for \$9,850.000**. Motion carried with Alderpersons Reed, Walden, Sullivan, Smith and Workman voting aye and 0 nays. Alderperson Nelsen was absent.

Mayor Page explained the Summer Recreation Program will need to hire a helper due to the attendance of the program. If a helper is hired at the age of 15 they will need a work permit from the school. The City would need to provide a letter. Council Member Reed, seconded by Council Member Walden, made a **motion to hire a helper at minimum wage for the Summer Recreation Program**. Motion carried with Alderpersons Walden, Smith, Workman, Reed and Sullivan voting aye and 0 nays. Alderperson Nelsen was absent.

The City of Assumption would like to hire 2 helpers for the Summer. Council Member Reed, seconded by Council Member Sullivan, made a **motion to hire 2 helpers for the summer at minimum wage**. Motion carried with Alderpersons Workman, Walden, Sullivan, Smith and Reed voting aye and 0 nays. Alderperson Nelsen was absent.

Mayor Page would like to approve the release of the following executive sessions minutes: January 5, 2022, February 7, 2022, March 2, 2022, April 6, 2022, May 4, 2022, June 1, 2022, July 6, 2022, November 2, 2022, January 4, 2023, April 5, 2023, May 3, 2023, July 5, 2023 and August 2, 2023. Council Member Walden, seconded by Council Member Sullivan, made a **motion to approve release of January 5, 2022, February 7, 2022, March 2, 2022, April 6, 2022, May 4, 2022, June 1, 2022, July 6, 2022, November 2, 2022, January 4, 2023, April 5, 2023, May 3, 2023, July 5, 2023 and August 2, 2023 executive minutes**. Motion carried with Alderpersons Sullivan, Smith, Reed, Walden and Workman voting aye and 0 nays. Alderperson Nelsen was absent.

Engineer Mark Bingham from Bingham Professional Services updated the committee that the Baxmeyer Subdivision is waiting for the weather to dry up the water before more work can be completed on the subdivision.

Motion to approve Subdivision Invoices:

Burdick Pay Request	\$177,742.80
Ameren Bill to install Street Lights	\$5,625.00
Total	\$183,367.80

Council Member Walden, seconded by Council Member Sullivan, made a **motion to approve the payment of the total of \$183,367.80 for the Burdick pay request of \$177,742.80 and the Ameren bill to install street lights for \$5,625.00**. Motion carried with Alderpersons Workman, Walden, Smith, Sullivan, and Reed voting aye and 0 nays. Alderperson Nelsen was absent.

Public Comments:

Council Member Walden, seconded by Council Member Workman, made a **motion to adjourn at 7:42 pm**. Motion carried with Alderpersons Reed, Smith, Sullivan, Walden and Workman voting aye and 0 nays. Alderperson Nelsen was absent.

Derek Page
Mayor

Janet Waller
City Clerk

Council Member Walden, seconded by Council Member Sullivan, made the **motion to approve the May 1, 2024 City Council Meeting minutes at the June 5, 2024 City Council Meeting**. Motion carried with Alderpersons Walden, Sullivan, Smith, Reed and Nelsen voting aye and 0 nays.