

**Council Meeting
Harrisburg City Council
Council Room, City Hall
110 E. Locust Street
Harrisburg, Illinois 62946
May 05, 2022
6:00 p.m.**

The Harrisburg City Council met on May 05, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Room of City Hall, Harrisburg, IL.

Mayor John McPeek called the meeting to order. Mayor John McPeek presided over the meeting with Commissioners Raymond Gunning, Rupert Johnson and Ron Morse answering roll call. Commissioner Roger Angelly was absent.

Pastor Jerry Wells from Social Brethren Church led the group in prayer and Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Raymond Gunning made the motion to approve the consent agenda.

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Seconded by Commissioner Rupert Johnson. A roll call vote was taken with all present voting yes. Motion carried.

Citizen Brent Farris spoke to council about his concerns at Harrisburg Lake. The shoreline is eroding. There needs to be riprap put in place. He suggested lowering the boat speed limit. He believes the lake is not large enough to have 25mph speed. Mr. Farris also suggested requiring a boat permit which would generate income to help with lake improvements. Commissioner Rupert Johnson said he increased the horsepower and speed limit to allow pontoon boats on Harrisburg Lake. He believes allowing pontoon boats give families the incentive to use and enjoy Harrisburg Lake.

Mr. Farris would also like to see some of the sites clean from junk and debris. Mayor John McPeek stated Lucida Rogers has been organizing clean up days and she is doing a great job with this project.

Mayor John McPeek stated council will go into Executive Session to discuss potential litigation.

Mayor John McPeek stated council will go into Executive Session to discuss property acquisition.

Eric Boe (Brown and Roberts, Inc.) presented MFT bid tabulations which were opened on Tuesday. Commissioner Rupert Johnson made the motion to accept the bid from Crossroads 2 LLC for the rock in the amount of \$32,225.00. Seconded by Commissioner Raymond Gunning. A roll call vote was taken with all present voting yes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Rupert Johnson made the motion to accept the bid from Illini Asphalt in the amount of \$119,617.85. Seconded by Commissioner Raymond Gunning. A roll call vote was taken with all present voting yes. Motion carried.

Eric Boe (Brown and Roberts, Inc.) presented a resolution to accept the bid form the MFT bid tabulation. Commissioner Raymond Gunning made the motion to approve Resolution 22-0505. Seconded by Commissioner Rupert Johnson. A roll call vote was taken with all present voting yes. Motion carried.

Alex Watkins discussed the RISE local and regional planning grant program. The grant is no cost to the city and does not require cost sharing. The city will be applying for \$50,000. Commissioner Ron Morse made the motion to approve Resolution 22-0505A. Seconded by Commissioner Raymond Gunning. A roll call vote was taken with all present voting yes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Raymond Gunning made the motion to hire Williams Duncan as a police officer at the pay rate of \$24.67 effective May 16, 2022 pending the passing of his physical and drug screen. Seconded by Commissioner Rupert Johnson. A roll call vote was taken with all present voting yes. Motion carried.

Mayor John McPeek swore in William Duncan as a police officer for the City of Harrisburg Police Department.

Commissioner Raymond Gunning made the motion to promote Matthew Forrest to Police Sergeant effective May 16, 2022. Seconded by Commissioner Rupert Johnson. A roll call vote was taken with all present voting yes. Motion carried.

Attorney Kolby Smithpeters stated the part-time police memorandum will be for one year. Commissioner Raymond Gunning made the motion to approve Ordinance 1846. Seconded by Commissioner Rupert Johnson. A roll call vote was taken with all present voting yes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Raymond Gunning made the motion to table the Chief of Police salary until the next meeting.

Commissioner Raymond Gunning made the motion to authorize the City Clerk to contact the Merit Board for a recommendation for a new hire. Seconded by Commissioner Ron Morse. A roll call vote was taken with all present voting yes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Rupert Johnson reminded citizens that Spring Clean-Up is over. Any items found on city right-of-way's will be turned over to the Code Enforcer. He thanked everyone who participated in the clean-up. Thirty-four (34) dumpsters will filled.

Commissioner Rupert Johnson made the motion to authorize the City Clerk to advertise for sealed bids for a new skid steer with specs to be equal to or comparable to a Kabota SVL-75. For more information, please call 618-252-4302 ext #3. Seconded by Commissioner Raymond Gunning. A roll call vote was taken with all present voting yes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Rupert Johnson made the motion to authorize the City Clerk to advertise for sealed bids for a new backhoe with specs to be equal to or comparable to a Case 580 Super N. For more information, please call 618-252-4302 ext #3. Seconded by Commissioner Raymond Gunning. A roll call vote was taken with all present voting yes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Rupert Johnson made the motion to change the name of Dennison Street running North and South from Raymond Street to Poplar Street to the new name of Mickey Pankey Drive. Seconded by Commissioner Raymond Gunning. A roll call vote was taken with all present voting yes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Rupert Johnson made the motion to change the name of E. Walnut Street running East from Commercial Street to East end to the new name of Ray Johnson Drive. Seconded by Commissioner Raymond Gunning. A roll call vote was taken with all present voting yes. Motion carried.

Mayor John McPeek reminded citizens of the Poplar Street project. The new paving should start in June. Please be patient with the process and be careful. Spring Clean-Up has concluded and he encourages citizens to continue to clean their yards to make the city look better. Thank you to everyone who volunteered to clean up Harrisburg and Saline County. May 30, 2022 will be the Memorial Day Service in Little Arlington which starts at 10:00 a.m. Please stop littering.

Commissioner Raymond Gunning made the motion to go into Executive Session to discuss potential litigation and property acquisition. Seconded by Commissioner Rupert Johnson. A roll call vote was taken with all present voting yes. Motion carried.

Adjourn: 6:22 p.m.

Reconvene: 6:46 p.m.

Mayor John McPeek made the motion to return to open session. Seconded by Commissioner Ron Morse. A roll call vote was taken with all present voting yes. Motion carried.

Mayor John McPeek presided over the meeting with Commissioners Raymond Gunning, Rupert Johnson and Ron Morse answering roll call. Commissioner Roger Angelly was absent.

Mayor John McPeek stated no action will be taken regarding potential litigation.

Commissioner Raymond Gunning made the motion to rescind his motion to promote Matthew Forrest to Police Sergeant on May 16, 2022. Seconded by Commissioner Rupert Johnson. A roll call vote was taken with all present voting yes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Raymond Gunning made the motion to promote Matthew Forrest to Police Sergeant effective June 01, 2022. Seconded by Commissioner Rupert Johnson. A roll call vote was taken with all present voting yes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Raymond Gunning made the motion to adjourn. Seconded by Commissioner Rupert Johnson. A roll call vote was taken with all present voting yes. Motion carried.

Adjourn: 6:48 p.m.