

City Council Minutes
City of Potterville Council

Thursday, June 15, 2017 – 7:00 p.m. – Potterville City Hall, 319 N. Nelson Street

Mayor Ross called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all

Roll Call: Present: K. Schmidt, R. Ross, L. Amey, D. Hartson
Absent: J. French, J. Bussard, R. Lundquist

Agenda Approval:

Motion by L. Amey to approve the agenda as is, supported by K. Schmidt. Motion carried. (4-0/ 3 absent: J. French, J. Bussard, R. Lundquist)

Approval of Minutes:

Motion by K. Schmidt to approve the minutes from May 18, 2017 meeting, supported by D. Hartson. Motion carried. (4-0/3 absent: J. French, J. Bussard & R. Lundquist)

City Managers Report:

City Manager gave verbal report, she mentioned “Annual Dump Your Junk” happening next weekend, and where posting in the community are being put up. Manager mentioned that Gospel Fest and the youth baseball tournament both went well, there was not much trash as in the past due to a smaller crowd that attended, and it was more of a family event. City Manager also commented on some activities that the festival had for the kids and families during the 2 days. Manager mentioned that the Gospel fest committee has expressed interest to continue next year. Gospel Fest has already rented the pavilion out for next year and would like to look into coming back. Manager stated that the firework show didn’t happen, but are looking into other options more towards that end of July, on “National Night Out”. Manager stated that some businesses in the community were not as busy as they thought they were going to be during the festival. Mayor replied that he had some complaints from citizens to reroute the parade to not go through Hartel road. Discussion took place on the parade route and on the vendors from the festival, council stated they would like to see more art vendors or handmade items next time. Member L. Amey commented that she would like to see the school participate more regarding the stage part of the festival. Manager stated that she has been training the clerk, it has been going well, she is picking up training fast. Mileage rate will drop once some projects are done. Hartel road repair to begin phase 2, starting all this week. Manager would like to know repairs from the community and to email her with the issues. Manager stated she has been out dealing with compliance issues with the community.

Authorization of Bills:

General Bills Totals: \$92,087.44 + 7,131.52 = 99, 218.96

Motion by D. Hartson to approve general bills total of \$99,218.96, supported by L. Amey. Roll call. Motion carried. (4-0/3 absent: J. French, J. Bussard & R. Lundquist)

Rural Development Bills Totals: \$36,615.99

Motion by K. Schmidt to approve general bills of \$36,615.99, supported by L. Amey. Motion carried. Roll call. (4-0/3 absent: J. French, J. Bussard & R. Lundquist)

Public Comment on agenda items: None

Commission/Committee Reports: Department reports in your packet

Department Reports: Administration – Department Reports are included in your packet.

Unfinished/Old Business: Budget 2017-2018: Budget amendments and any additional items Council would like to see in the budget should be sent out on Tuesday and Wednesday next week to the City Manager and to contact her before the public hearing meeting.

New Business:

Medical Marijuana resolution #17-0615-01: Motion by L. Amey to accept resolution # 17-0615-01 to not adopt an ordinance and to not have any medical marijuana within the City of Pottersville, seconded by K. Schmidt. Motion carried. Roll Call. (4-0/3 absent: J. French, J. Bussard & R. Lundquist)

Deputy Sheriff's, Sergeant & Clerks of Eaton County resolution #17-0615-02: Chief Bartlett commented that he believes it is wonderful that the council is showing their support for the Deputy Sheriff's, Sergeants & Clerks of Eaton County. Sheriff Tom Reich from Eaton County Deputy Sheriff's office. Reich would like to thank the council for the support that they are receiving from the council, Reich stated how this will affect not only our community but others too. Manager asked whether this is for sure for the budget and if the county is looking into other options, Reich commented that they are looking into other options but he is not sure what the other options are. The budget is mostly effected by health care and retirees for the county, discussion took place on possible reasons for the cuts and help for the issues. Motion by K. Schmidt, to approve of resolution #17-0615-02 regarding the proposed layoffs against the Deputy Sheriff's, Sergeants & Clerks of Eaton County, seconded by D.Hartson. Motion carried. Roll call. (4-0/3 absent: J. French, J. Bussard & R. Lundquist)

Loan Resolution #17-0615-03: Motion by L. Amey, to approve the resolution #17-0615-03 in the amount of \$1,970,000 for extending sewer, supported by K. Schmidt. Motion carried. Roll call. (4-0/3 absent: J. French, J. Bussard & R. Lundquist)

Loan Resolution #17-0615-04: Motion by K. Schmidt to approve loan resolution # 17-0615-04, to extend jurisdiction, seconded by L. Amey. Motion carried. Roll call. (4-0/3 absent: J. French, J. Bussard & R. Lundquist).

Loan Resolution #17-0615-05: Motion by L. Amey to approve loan resolution # 17-0615-05 supported by D. Hartson. Motion carried. Roll call. (4-0/3 absent: J. French, J. Bussard & R. Lundquist).

Eagle Scout Service Project Proposal- Manager commented we should table to next meeting as they are not in attendance and the other committees have not met regarding this subject. Motion by K. Schmidt to table this topic to the next Council meeting, second D. Hartson. Motion carried. (4-0/3 absent: J. French, J. Bussard & R. Lundquist)

DDA shall we keep it? R. Ross commented that the members have not met since Jan. 9, and only 3 representatives are showing up and the others that are not. It is not worth keeping as there is not a commitment being shown. Also steel needs to be contacted again as they are not showing, and possibly the representative is no longer working there. K. Schmidt wants to know what they have accomplished, Manager states they have helped with roofing in the downtown area and improving the downtown community. K. Schmidt also questioned would the community be missing other opportunities by not meeting? Manager commented that not much has been missed from no meetings, the city can do what the DDA committee can. Most have already been accomplished with the DDA in the terms of goals. Members stated they would like to see the members come to the council to see if they think it worth to keeping it. There was discussion on the DDA members involved and the attendance. Manager stated she will try to reach out other businesses in the community, and to get members to come to the next council meeting.

Public Comment on non-agenda items: None

Communication from the Mayor and Council: None

Next Meeting: July 20, 2017

Excuse absent members: Motion by L. Amey to excuse absent members, supported by K. Schmidt. Motion carried. (4-0/3 absent: J. French, J. Bussard & R. Lundquist)

Motion to Adjourn: Motion by L. Amey to adjourn meeting, supported by K. Schmidt. Motion carried. (4-0/3 absent: J. French, J. Bussard & R. Lundquist)

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tessa Wightman, City Clerk