

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HERRIN,  
ILLINOIS HELD AT HERRIN CITY HALL ON  
MONDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2023 AT 6:00 PM

Mayor Steve Frattini called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Moment of silence for Hayden Lence, a public works employee who passed away as a result of an automobile accident this past weekend. He then 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	Treasurer
BRANDON ZANOTTI	City Attorney
SHEILA AHLGREN	Alderman Ward I
DAVID SHOEMAKE	Alderman Ward I
RANDY CROMPTON	Alderman Ward II
PAUL YORK	Alderman Ward II
STEVE MILLER	Alderman Ward III
SCOTT KINLEY	Alderman Ward III
BILL SIZEMORE	Alderman Ward IV
MARILYN RUPPEL	Alderman Ward IV

**PUBLIC** Ibbie Jean Boren stated she has moved and has good neighbors.

**MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 27, 2023** Motion made by Alderman Shoemake, seconded by Alderman York to approve the minutes of November 27, 2023 Council Meeting. Alderman Shoemake, Crompton, York, Miller, Kinley, Sizemore, Ruppel and Ahlgren voted "Yea". None voted "Nay".

**TREASURER'S REPORT** Treasurer Carl Goodwin stated he has reviewed bank statements and all in balance as well as water/sewer adjustments and all in balance.

**BUDGET OFFICE REPORT** Carrie Cravens, Budget Director stated we had tax levy and audit in committee and we should received second property tax installment by the end of the month.

**CODES** Bret Childers Codes Administrator stated we have another court ordered clean up this Wednesday.

**PUBLIC WORKS** Bill Sizemore, Chairman of the Public Works Committee stated they have items later.

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** David Dorris, Police Chief stated it is thieving season, remember to secure porch packages quickly. Make sure you lock your vehicles. We have some cameras placed in town and actually caught a thief yesterday.

Shawn Priddy, Fire Chief was absent from the meeting.

David Shoemake, Chairman of the Public Safety Committee had nothing to report.

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

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

**HERRIN LIBRARY LIAISON** Marilyn Ruppel, Liaison for the Herrin City Library stated Friday, 12/15 at 2 p.m. Glenn Poshard will discuss his new book. Monday, 12/18 Santa will be there at 6 p.m. Friday, 12/22 at 2 p.m. will be a family Christmas movie.

**HERRIN CIVIC CENTER LIAISON** Scott Kinley, Liaison for the Herrin Civic Center stated Queen of Hearts is on Tuesday for \$7,271. Tonight is free and open to public is the Southern Illinois Concert Orchestra.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**ADOPT 2024 COUNCIL MEETING & HOLIDAY SCHEDULES** Motion made by Alderman Crompton, seconded by Alderman Kinley to adopt 2024 Council Meeting & Holiday Schedules. Alderman York, Miller, Kinley, Sizemore, Ruppel, Ahlgren, Shoemake and Crompton voted "Yea". None voted "Nay".

**AUDIT 05/01/2022-04/30/2023** Motion made by Alderman York, seconded by Alderman Shoemake to approve the Audit for May 1, 2022 to April 30, 2023. Alderman Miller, Kinley, Sizemore, Ruppel, Ahlgren, Shoemake, Crompton and York voted "Yea". None voted "Nay".

**LIBRARY BUILDING MAINTENANCE LEVY** Motion made by Alderman Ruppel, seconded by Alderman Kinley to approve Library Building Maintenance Levy. Alderman Kinley, Sizemore, Ruppel, Ahlgren, Shoemake, Crompton, York and Miller voted "Yea". None voted "Nay".

**ORDINANCE 33-2023 ANNUAL TAX LEVY** Motion made by Alderman York, seconded by Alderman Crompton to pass Ordinance 33-2023 Annual Tax Levy. Alderman Sizemore, Ruppel, Ahlgren, Shoemake, Crompton, York, Miller and Kinley voted "Yea". None voted "Nay".

**ORDINANCE 34-2023 ABATE GO BONDS SERIES 2016** Motion made by Alderman Kinley, seconded by Alderman Shoemake to pass Ordinance 34-2023 Abate General Obligation Bonds Series 2016 for Tax Year 2023, Ordinance 35-2023 Abate General Obligation Bonds Water System Revenue Pledge Series 2017 for Tax Year 2023, Ordinance 36-2023 Abate General Obligation Refunding Bonds Series 2021A, 2021B & 2021C for Tax Year 2023 and Ordinance 37-2023 Abate General Obligation Bonds Series 2023 for Tax Year 2023. Alderman Ruppel, Ahlgren, Shoemake, Crompton, York, Miller, Kinley and Sizemore voted "Yea". None voted "Nay".

**ORDINANCE 35-2023 ABATE GO**

WATER SYSTEM  
REVENUE PLEDGE  
SERIES 2017  
BONDS

&

ORDINANCE 36-  
2023 ABATE GO  
REFUNDING  
2021A, 2021B &  
2021C BONDS

&

ORDINANCE 37-  
2023 ABATE GO  
BONDS SERIES  
2023

AUTHORIZATION TO LEASE PURCHASE PUBLIC WORKS TRUCK Motion made by Alderman Miller, seconded by Alderman Kinley to authorize lease purchase of One (1) Ram 1500 Lt. Duty pickup in the amount of \$41,911.64 via Sourcewell Contract 091521-NAF. Alderman Ahlgren, Shoemake, Crompton, York, Miller, Kinley, Sizemore and Ruppel voted "Yea". None voted "Nay".

AGREEMENT ENGINEERING HORNER & SHIFRIN RUSHING DR RIGHT-OF-WAY Motion made by Alderman Crompton, seconded by Alderman Kinley to approve engineering agreement with Horner & Shifrin, Inc. for Rushing Drive Right-of-Way. Alderman Shoemake, Crompton, York, Miller, Kinley, Sizemore, Ruppel and Ahlgren voted "Yea". None voted "Nay".

AGREEMENT WILLIAMSON CO. SOLAR FACILITIES Motion made by Alderman Sizemore, seconded by Alderman York to approve agreement with Williamson County providing for Decommissioning & Financial Assurance of Commercial Solar Energy Facilities. Alderman Crompton, York, Miller, Kinley, Sizemore, Ruppel, Ahlgren and Shoemake voted "Yea". None voted "Nay".

MAYOR We may have a special meeting to approve payment to Ameren to put electric underground by the new fire station. Normally the payment would have to be received before Ameren would even schedule the work and our process would delay the work over a month.

At 1:00 p.m. tomorrow, Christmas carolers from the school will be at City Hall singing Christmas music.

Friday, 12/15 from 430 to 6 will be the Christmas Open House at City Hall for kids 10 and under.

COUNCIL None

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

  
STEVE FRATTINI, MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
SHELLY HUGGINS, CITY CLERK