

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HERRIN,
ILLINOIS HELD AT HERRIN CITY HALL ON
MONDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2024 AT 6:00 PM

Mayor Steve Frattini called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Mayor led us in prayer and 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
MARK KOCHAN	City Attorney
SHEILA AHLGREN	absent 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 Gordon Smith lives behind current fire department and thanked us for taking down a couple trees by him.

MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 25, 2024 Motion made by Alderman Shoemake, seconded by Alderman York to approve the minutes of November 25, 2024 Council Meeting. Alderman Crompton, York, Miller, Kinley, Sizemore, Ruppel and Shoemake voted "Yea". None voted "Nay".

TREASURER'S REPORT Treasurer Carl Goodwin audit water and sewer adjustments and all was well.

BUDGET OFFICE REPORT Carrie Cravens, Budget Director was absent from the meeting.

CODES Bret Childers Codes Administrator stated he gave 5 nuisance tickets for trash and debris, 2 took care of themselves and the other 3 have court later this week.

PUBLIC WORKS
Bill Sizemore, Chairman of the Public Works stated holiday trash, Christmas will be on the 26th and New Year's will be on the 2nd.
Tom Somers, Public Works Director stated the sewer vacuum truck we ordered in 2022 should be delivered later this month.

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

PUBLIC SAFETY
David Dorris, Police Chief stated that our hire back grant went very well, made several contacts. Please do not leave items in plain view and make sure your cars are locked.
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 York, Miller, Kinley, Sizemore, Ruppel, Shoemake and Crompton voted "Yea". None voted "Nay".

INSURANCE Sheila Ahlgren, Chairman of the Insurance Committee was absent from the meeting.

HERRIN LIBRARY LIAISON Marilyn Ruppel, Liaison for the Herrin City Library stated that the library has a 2025 125th anniversary calendar for sale at the library and at Louie's P & R.

HERRIN CIVIC CENTER LIAISON Scott Kinley, Liaison for the Herrin Civic Center stated Queen of Hearts Tuesday \$9,560. Finding Forever Animal Rescue has a trivia night coming up soon.

NEW BUSINESS:

AUDIT 05/01/23-04/30/2024 Motion made by Alderman York, seconded by Alderman Shoemake to approve the audit for May 1, 2023 to April 30 2024. Alderman Miller, Kinley, Sizemore, Ruppel, Shoemake, Crompton and York Voted "Yea". None voted "Nay".

LIBRARY MAINTENANCE TAX 2024 PAY 2025 Motion made by Alderman Ruppel, seconded by Alderman Crompton to approve the Library Building Maintenance Tax 2024 Tax Year Payable 2025. Alderman Kinley, Sizemore, Ruppel, Shoemake, Crompton, York and Miller voted "Yea". None voted "Nay".

ORDINANCE 10-2024 ANNUAL TAX LEVY Motion made by Alderman York, seconded by Alderman Sizemore to pass Ordinance 10-2024 Annual Tax Levy. Alderman Sizemore, Ruppel, Shoemake, Crompton, York, Miller and Kinley voted "Yea". None voted "Nay".

ORDINANCE 11- Motion made by Alderman Crompton, seconded by Alderman Kinley to pass Ordinance 11-2024

2024 ABATING GO BONDS SERIES 2017 & ORDINANCE 12-2024 ABATING GO BONDS(WATER SYSTEM REVENUE PLEDGE) SERIES 2017 & ORDINANCE 13-2024 ABATING GO REFUNDING BONDS SERIES 2021A, 2021B & 2021C & ORDINANCE 14-2024 ABATING GO BONDS SERIES 2023

Abating General Obligation Bonds Series 2016 Tax Levy for the Tax Year 2024, Ordinance 12-2024 Abating General Obligation Bonds (Water System Revenue Pledge) Series 2017 Tax Levy for the Tax Year 2024, Ordinance 13-2024 Abating General Obligation Refunding Bonds Series 2021A, 2021B & 2021C Tax Levy for the Tax Year 2024 and Ordinance 14-2024 Abating General Obligation Bonds Series 2023 Tax Levy for the Tax Year 2024. Alderman Ruppel, Shoemake, Crompton, York, Miller, Kinley and Sizemore voted "Yea". None voted "Nay".

AWARD BID MELODY ACRES WATERMAIN REPLACEMENT

Motion made by Alderman Kinley, seconded by Alderman Miller to award bid for Melody Acres Water main Replacement to Followell Construction for \$1,111,777.00. Alderman Shoemake, Crompton, York, Miller, Kinley, Sizemore and Ruppel voted "Yea". None voted "Nay".

AWARD BID ROBBINS LANDING WATERMAIN EXTENSION

Motion made by Alderman Crompton, seconded by Alderman York to award bid for Robbins Landing Watermain Extension to Utility Pipe Sales Co. for \$30,595.00. Alderman Crompton, York, Miller, Kinley, Sizemore, Ruppel and Shoemake voted "Yea". None voted "Nay".

MAYOR

Mayor recognized volunteers of our Herrin Hometown Christmas. We have a lot of younger involvement in this and in the Thanksgiving dinner. Mayor read the list of girl scouts and high school students that helped with the Christmas celebration.

COUNCIL

Alderman Kinley stated a no truck sign has been requested at 27th & Maple St. Public Works will address it.

Alderman York stated the Melody Acres project is totally funded.

Alderman Sizemore commended the Christmas decorating committee for the downtown decorations.

Treasurer Carl Goodwin stated that we may cash out one of our callable bonds to save interest.

Alderman Crompton thanked Herrin Hometown Christmas Board of Directors.

Alderman Miller stated the fire station should open up later this month. He recommends we keep things frozen at this point and not spend extra money we don't have to. We need to take a hard look at the budget.

ADJOURN

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

ATTEST:


SHELLY HUGGINS, CITY CLERK


STEVE FRATTINI, MAYOR