

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HERRIN,  
ILLINOIS HELD AT HERRIN CITY HALL ON  
MONDAY, MAY 13, 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	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	absent Alderman Ward III
BILL SIZEMORE	Alderman Ward IV
MARILYN RUPPEL	Alderman Ward IV

PUBLIC None.

MINUTES OF APRIL 22, 2024 Motion made by Alderman Shoemake, seconded by Alderman York to approve the minutes of April 22, 2024 Council Meeting. Alderman Shoemake, Crompton, York, Miller, Sizemore, Ruppel and Ahlgren voted "Yea". None voted "Nay".

TREASURER'S REPORT Treasurer Carl Goodwin stated he reviewed bank statements and all in balance. Reviewed water and sewer adjustments, 2 mistakes that were corrected. We have reduced our bond debt a little over 2 million. We have gotten an increase on our CDs to 5%.

BUDGET OFFICE REPORT Carrie Cravens, Budget Director stated income statement for year end was sent out by email. General Fund numbers are a bit off and this is explained in that email.

CODES Bret Childers Codes Administrator stated we are getting a lot of grass complaints. We have gotten Behind on mowing due to rain and clean up week.

PUBLIC WORKS Bill Sizemore, Chairman of the Public Works had nothing to report.

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 we are getting prepared for Herrinfesta. He commended his team for doing an amazing job.

Shawn Priddy, Fire Chief stated that the house by the new fire station has been demolished. Progress is moving quickly on the new building.

David Shoemake, Chairman of the Public Safety Committee met earlier, item later in meeting.

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

INSURANCE Sheila Ahlgren, Chairman of the Insurance Committee stated new insurance goes into effect June 1.

HERRIN LIBRARY LIAISON Marilyn Ruppel, Liaison for the Herrin City Library stated on May 24 a documentary about an Italian Village at 4 p.m.

HERRIN CIVIC CENTER LIAISON Scott Kinley, Liaison for the Herrin Civic Center was absent from the meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

CLOSE 100 BLOCK E. WALNUT FOR ENTERTAINMENT 05/22/2024 Motion made by Alderman Ruppel, seconded by Alderman Crompton to close 100 block of E. Walnut St. for entertainment on May 22, 2024 from 4 p.m. to 10 p.m. Alderman York, Miller, Sizemore, Ruppel, Ahlgren, Shoemake and Crompton voted "Yea". None voted "Nay".

RESOLUTION 3-2024 HFI PARADE Motion made by Alderman Shoemake, seconded by Alderman Ahlgren to pass Resolution 3-2024 Herrinfesta Italiana Parade May 25, 2024. Alderman Miller, Sizemore, Ruppel, Ahlgren, Shoemake, Crompton and York voted "Yea". None voted "Nay".

RESOLUTION 4-2024 HFI ROAD RACE Motion made by Alderman Miller, seconded by Alderman Crompton to pass Resolution 4-2024 Herrinfesta Italiana Road Race May 27, 2024. Alderman Sizemore, Ruppel, Ahlgren, Shoemake, Crompton, York and Miller voted "Yea". None voted "Nay".

RESOLUTION 5-2024 HFI  
ROAD CLOSURES Motion made by Alderman Sizemore, seconded by Alderman Miller to pass Resolution 5-2024 Herrinfesta Italiana Road Closures. Alderman Ruppel, Ahlgren, Shoemake, Crompton, York, Miller and Sizemore voted "Yea". None voted "Nay".

AWARD BID ANIMAL CONTROL BUILDING Motion made by Alderman York, seconded by Alderman Miller to award bid for new animal control building to Erwin Builders, Inc for \$1,100,000. Alderman Ahlgren, Shoemake, Crompton, York, Miller, Sizemore and Ruppel voted "Yea". None voted "Nay".

APPOINT LEAH McWILLIAMS AS DEPUTY CITY CLERK Shelly Huggins, City Clerk stated the job has been advertised for two weeks on Facebook and website. It will now be advertised back on those and on Indeed for another week. Item will be on May 28 agenda.

APPOINT JACKSON YATES AS FULL-TIME PATROLMAN Motion made by Alderman Shoemake, seconded by Alderman Miller to appoint Jackson Yates as full-time patrolman effective May 15, 2024. Alderman Shoemake, Crompton, York, Miller, Sizemore, Ruppel and Ahlgren voted "Yea". None voted "Nay".

APPOINT TYLER BOND AS FULL-TIME PATROLMAN Motion made by Alderman Shoemake, seconded by Alderman York to appoint Tyler Bond as full-time patrolman effective May 15, 2024. Alderman Crompton, York, Miller, Sizemore, Ruppel, Ahlgren and Shoemake voted "Yea". None voted "Nay".

OFFICIAL OATH Shelly Huggins, City Clerk administered official oaths to Jackson Yates and Tyler Bond.

MAYOR We have a chance at a stoplight at Park Avenue and Brewster, IDOT is researching it again.

COUNCIL Alderman Shoemake stated the Poplar and Park Avenue stoplight has one that has been hit and pointing the wrong direction.

Alderman Ruppel thinks we have the best police force.

Alderman Sizemore asked that we look into a way to alert the customer when there is a leak. We didn't choose the system that includes that option due to cost. Will be looked into again.

Alderman York challenges everyone to reach out for people to apply for the Deputy City Clerk position.

Alderman Crompton stated that there are phases that have been put in place in his neighborhood for flooding remediation, phase 1 complete and it is working.

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

  
STEVE FRATTINI, MAYOR

ATTEST:   
SHELLY HUGGINS, CITY CLERK