

**REGULAR MEETING
CITY OF VIENNA
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
VIENNA CITY LIBRARY
401 POPLAR STREET
September 2, 2020
6:30 P.M.**

The City Council of the City of Vienna met in regular session, Wednesday, September 2, 2020 at Vienna City Library with the following members and guest:

ELECTED/APPOINTED OFFICIALS PRESENT:

Jon Simmons, Mayor
Austin Tuey, Alderman
Alan Racey, Alderman
Richard Owen, Alderman
Steve Penrod, Alderman
Jim Evans, Alderman
Melissa Hill, Alderman
Aleatha Wright, City Clerk
Michelle Meyers, Treasurer
Shane Racey, Supt
Jim Miller, Police Chief
Brent Williams, Fire Chief
Phil Morris, Depot

ELECTED/APPOINTED OFFICIALS ABSENT:

Melissa Presser, City Attorney

GUESTS

Jordan McBride
Andy Rainwater
Larry Mizell
Ernie Henshaw
Gary Brumley
Mike McMahan
Ken Wiggs
Max Hook
Darrand & Christie Williams

There being a quorum, Mayor Simmons called the meeting of the Vienna City Council to order at 6:30 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

Alderman Hill made a motion to Approve the Omnibus Consent Agenda consisting of the August 19, 2020 Council Meeting Minutes, Treasurer's Report and the Warrant (\$16,379.28). Alderman Tuey seconded the motion. All in favor, Motion carried.

Andy Rainwater, Clarida and Zeigler was present to further discuss the ITEP (80/20) Grant opportunity for the city to construct a bike path from the city park to Old Metropolis Rd. Rainwater reviewed and discussed details of the project with council. Rainwater said getting a project report in as soon as possible would benefit the city's chances for the grant, the cost of this being MFT eligible. Jo. Co. 2000 members were present to show support for the project. Larry Mizell spoke on behalf of Jo.Co.2000 mentioning a past project idea to develop the bike trail through the Industrial park to VHS football field. Mizell said Jo Co would be willing to offer easements and let the city utilize land to offset costs. Alderman Penrod made a motion to Authorize \$10,000.00 (MFT Funds) for the preliminary report engineering fees. The motion was seconded by Alderman Tuey. All in favor, Motion carried.

Max Hook was present to request permission for JCYL and schools to start work on a batting cage roof project on Field #2. Hook said as he understood at the last meeting the council wanted to wait until spring to commit to financially assisting with the project. Hook requested the city reimburse for half the cost in the spring. Alderman Penrod said a financial commitment could not be made at this time. Council agreed and gave consent for the project to be started and would revisit in the spring.

Council discussed water and sewer rate increases as recommended by the city auditor the year prior. Clerk noted rates had not been raised since 2016. After discussion, council decided on a flat rate increase for water /sewer of \$2.00 and an increase of \$1.00 for each 1,000 gallons used over the minimum 2,000 gallons. The new rates would be effective January 1, 2021. Clerk was to contact city attorney to have the ordinances prepared for the next scheduled meeting.

Alderman Evans made a motion to Authorize and Approve TIF Funds for the replacement of city hall (shingled) roof, Estimated cost \$4,000.00. Alderman Penrod seconded the motion. All in favor, Motion carried.

Alderman Racey made a motion to Authorize and Approve the Zoning Board's recommendation per 8/17/20 meeting to issue a Special Use Permit to demo current structure and place a doublewide modular home at the location of 901 Vine Street. Alderman Tuey seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Alderman Owen made a motion to Authorize and Approve the Zoning Board's recommendation per 8/31/20 meeting to issue a Special Use Permit to place a singlewide trailer at the location of 406 South St. Alderman Tuey seconded the motion. All in favor, Motion carried.

Alderman Tuey made a motion to Authorize and Approve Ordinance 20-04, an Ordinance amending Section 31.040 Mayors Salary of Chapter 31(Employees and Officials) of Title 3

(Administration) of the Vienna Code of Ordinances. Alderman Owen seconded the motion. All in favor, Motion carried.

Alderman Evans made a motion to Authorize and Approve Ordinance 20-05, An Ordinance establishing compensation for the Vienna City Clerk. Alderman Racey seconded the motion. All in favor, Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mike McMahan was present to request use of a city park pavilion Thursday, September 17th to obtain signatures for recognition of first responders. Council gave permission.

ELECTED/APPOINTED OFFICIALS

Simmons thanked city workers for helping with the Local 773 food drive in the city park that took place August 27th. Simmons said it was a successful event.

Clerk Wright mentioned to council there had been some inquiries to city hall about Trick or Treating this year on Halloween night. Wright also said the city had received reimbursement for two in-car cameras for the police dept. through the ILETSB grant in the amount of \$3,990.00.

Supt. Racey reviewed a list of items with council of upcoming expenses that covered a range of items/repairs for the public works department, city hall, fire department and the city in general. Alderman Penrod suggested the list be prioritized.

Phil Morris, Depot mentioned a sign on the deck at the Depot that needed replaced. Morris said he would obtain an estimate.

Alderman Hill said she had received a complaint of an ATV crossing through a resident's property without permission.

Hill discussed concern of police dept. overtime hours and getting Chief Miller some part time for fill-in and weekend hours. Miller said he had spoken with part time officer Stewart to fill in on Saturdays for September. Council had discussion. Overall it was agreed on to advertise on the police department Facebook page to see if there was any interest. Alderman Penrod commented the possibility not having 24/7 coverage if part time help did not work out.

Alderman Penrod mentioned the bridge work on 45 South restarting. Penrod also made mention of school and prison employee traffic congestion when repairs start on the Hwy 146 East bridge, suggesting a letter be sent to IDOT before construction begins.

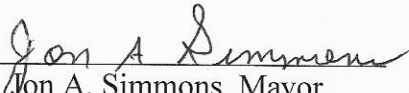
Alderman Owen voiced concern of the city's cable provider Zito Media dropping several channels and wanted to look in to the agreement.

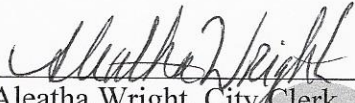
Alderman Tuey suggested the city form a Resolution concerning the new amphitheater that would be built at the city park for rental fees.

As there was no further business to discuss Alderman Owen made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Alderman Racey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mayor Simmons declared the meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

For APPROVAL: September 16, 2020


Jon A. Simmons, Mayor


Aleatha Wright, City Clerk

APPROVED