# REGULAR MEETING CITY OF VIENNA CITY COUNCIL MEETING VIENNA CITY HALL 205 North 4th Street December 1, 2021 6:30 P.M.

The City Council of the City of Vienna met in regular session, Wednesday, December 1, 2021 at Vienna City Hall with the following members and guest:

# **ELECTED/APPOINTED OFFICIALS PRESENT:**

Steve Penrod, Mayor
Melissa Hill, Alderman
Angela Moore, Alderman
Richard Owen, Alderman
Austin Tuey, Alderman
Alan Racey, Alderman
Ron Pitts, Alderman
Shane Racey, Superintendent
Brent Williams, Fire Chief
Aleatha Wright, City Clerk
Melissa Presser, City Attorney

# **ELECTED/APPOINTED OFFICIALS ABSENT:**

Michelle Meyers, Treasurer Jim Miller, Police Chief

### **GUESTS**

Jennifer Jacobsen

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

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Alderman Moore made a motion to Authorize and Approve the Omnibus Consent Agenda consisting of the November 17, 2021 council meeting minutes and the Warrant (\$12,205.47). Alderman Tuey seconded the motion. All in favor motion carried.

Alderman Racey made a motion to Authorize and Approve Cooperative Agreement for the Services of Watson Kennels, LLC Acting Johnson County Animal Control Warden within the City of Vienna. Effective immediately through November 30, 2022. Alderman Tuey seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Attorney Presser informed council she received and reviewed easement documents prepared by Clarida & Ziegler for lift station access on Illini Court.

Presser and council discussed revising Chapter 94 of the city's nuisance ordinance to increase its effectiveness of keeping properties clean. Presser reviewed changes and additions requested by the council from a previous meeting to start drafting an amended ordinance. After lengthy discussion, Presser would prepare a draft ordinance at the next scheduled meeting for further review.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Jennifer Jacobsen inquired about changes discussed for the nuisance ordinance on notifying property owners of violations. Jacobsen announced Christmas on the Square for Sunday, December from 4:00-6:00 p.m. Jacobsen also said she had attended a recent seminar through University of Illinois extension called Reversing the Exodus, geared toward attracting and retaining young adults in communities. Jacobsen recommended the council attend if possible.

## **ELECTED/APPOINTED OFFICIALS**

Chief Williams said the fire department needed a second self-contained breathing apparatus pack and would try to order a demo pack at a lesser cost. Williams also said the department would be ordering color coded fire hoses quarterly to replace old hoses. Williams briefly discussed the fire department aiding in lift assist, questioning liability to the department.

Alderman Hill said she received a letter and phone call from a resident disputing a past due fire call invoice. Fire Chief Williams spoke on the matter as he too had previously been contacted. Williams told council details of the call and charges billed to the resident. Williams said \$500.00 was paid to the city, with a balance of \$500.00 past due. Hill also mentioned the idea of city renting an ice- skating rink for a future event. Hill said she would get costs.

Mayor Penrod reviewed the city's Tax Increment Fund account with council. Penrod discussed current and prior commitments, 2021 projects, and uncommitted balances. Penrod said he had contacted the city's TIF Rep, Keith Moran, to draft an incentive program for new home construction. Penrod said the city would set aside \$50,000.00 of TIF Funds per year for the program. Each applicant could receive \$10,000.00.

Penrod mentioned a home on North 4<sup>th</sup> Street was donated to Vienna High School. The high school shop class would completely remodel the home and sell it back into the community. Penrod also briefly spoke on water plant filter media replacement project with council.

Mayor Penrod declared the meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

For APPROVAL: December 15, 2021

Steve Penrod, Mayor

Aleatha Wright, City Clerk