

June 1, 2021

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Pittsfield, Pike County, Illinois, was held on Tuesday, June 1, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was held at the City Hall Council Room at 215 North Monroe Street. The following officers were present: Mayor Gary Mendenhall, City Clerk Ann Moffit, Aldermen Bill Grimsley, Kevin Ketchum, Paul Lennon, Chris Little, Robert Ritchart, Beth White, Robert Wilson, and Kevin Wombles.

Mayor Mendenhall presided.

Alderman Wombles moved to approve the minutes of the May 18, 2021 Council meeting.

Alderman Lennon seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Yea: Ketchum, Lennon, Little, Ritchart,
Wombles, White, Wilson (7)
Nay: None (0)
Present: Grimsley (1)

The motion carried.

Alderman Lennon moved to accept the recommendation of the Zoning Committee to approve the variance as requested by Brenton and Jessica Douglas.

Alderman Grimsley seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Yea: Grimsley, Ketchum, Lennon, Little, Ritchart,
Wombles, White, Wilson (8)
Nay: None (0)
Present: None (0)

The motion carried.

Alderwoman White stated that the Gas Committee met with Gas Superintendent Steve Watkins and Mr. Watkins presented his requests for a 3-, 5- and 10-year plan. An overview of the projects are Border Station Upgrade, Gas & Water meter upgrades, and replacing steel pipes with plastic. The committee requested Mr. Watkins obtain quotes and prioritize the projects.

Mayor Mendenhall stated that he has met with Mr. Hollahan to discuss approval of usage of the Pittsfield Lake. Mr. Hollahan advised that if there will be changes to structure at the Lake Council should approve, otherwise usage of the lake for events can be approved by the Mayor.

Mayor Mendenhall informed the Council that the Civil War Reenactment will be held at the Pittsfield Lake

Alderman Ritchart moved to approve Resolution 2021-03 A Resolution Whereas, Article 7 of the Illinois Pension Code (40 ILCS 7/7-139) provides that the governing body of a governmental unite may elect to allow service credit in the in the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund to members who service in the armed forces of the Unites States for all periods of such service prior to their participation in IMRF or whose participation was interrupted by military leave but did not return to IMRF participation within 90 days of discharge, and WHEREAS, such allowance of service credit cannot be limited to a specific IMRF member and applies to all employees who were in active participating status under IMRF on the date this resolution was adopted.

Alderman Ketchum seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Yea: Grimsley, Ketchum, Lennon, Little, Ritchart,

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Wombles, White, Wilson (8)
Nay: None (0)
Present: None (0)

The motion carried.

Alderman Ketchum moved to approve accept the quote from United Community Bank at a rate of 1.59% for five years, providing there is no prepayment penalty, for financing of a Street Sweeper.
Alderman Lennon seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Yea: Grimsley, Ketchum, Lennon, Little,
Ritchart, Wilson, Wombles, White (8)
Nay: None (0)
Present: None (0)

The motion carried.

Alderman Wombles moved to approve Ordinance No. 1677 – An Ordinance of Withdrawal of City of Creal Springs, Williamson County, and Village of Tamms, Alexander County as members of IMGA, on its first reading.
Alderman Wilson seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Yea: Grimsley, Ketchum, Lennon, Little,
Ritchart, Wilson, Wombles, White (8)
Nay: None (0)
Present: None (0)

The motion carried.

Alderman Wombles moved to suspend the rules and have the second reading of Ordinance No. 1677 – An Ordinance of Withdrawal of City of Creal Springs, Williamson County, and Village of Tamms, Alexander County as members of IMGA.
Alderman Lennon seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Yea: Grimsley, Ketchum, Lennon, Little,
Ritchart, Wilson, Wombles, White (8)
Nay: None (0)
Present: None (0)

The motion carried.

Alderman Wombles moved to approve Ordinance No. 1677, by title only, on its second reading.
Alderman Ritchart seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Yea: Grimsley, Ketchum, Lennon, Little,
Ritchart, Wilson, Wombles, White (8)
Nay: None (0)
Present: None (0)

The motion carried.

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usage. All Illinois Vehicle Code Laws must be followed while operating a golf cart and golf carts can not be driven on a State Highway, they may only be crossed.

Alderwoman White moved to adjourn this meeting at 6:59 p.m.

City Clerk