

**City of Mt. Sterling
General Council Meeting
Police Training Center - #5 Jefferson Road
December 16th, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.**

Mayor Bradbury calls the general City of Mt. Sterling Council Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with roll call. ROLL CALL –Ernest here, Schenk here, Ransom here, Scranton here, Burge here, Jennings here.

Fire Chief Brian Gallaher, City Clerk Dane Flesner, City Attorney Lonnie Dunn, Public Works Director Dusty Buss, Police Chief Brandon Norris, and City Treasurer Cheryl Flynn are all present. City Administrator Vada Yingling is absent.

Mayor Bradbury - I would like to entertain a motion to approve the November minutes.

Alderman Ransom makes the motion to approve November minutes, seconded by Burge. Ernest yes, Schenk yes, Ransom yes, Scranton yes, Burge yes, Jennings yes.

Mayor Bradbury – I would like to entertain a motion to approve the November expenses.

Alderman Schenkl makes the motion to approve November expenses, seconded by Scranton. Ransom yes, Scranton yes, Burge yes, Jennings yes, Ernest yes, Schenk yes.

Guest/Citizens Opportunity to address the Council –

Old Business – Sealed bids were opened for the new plow truck for Public Works. Quincy Mack was the only bidder and their bid came in at \$139,811 for a new single axel dump truck.

Alderman Scranton makes the motion to accept the Quincy Mack bid for \$139,811, seconded by Alderman Burge. Scranton yes, Burge yes, Jennings yes, Ernest yes, Schenk yes, Ransom yes.

New Business - Alderman Ransom makes the motion to accept the 2020 City of Mt. Sterling Holiday & City Council Meeting dates, seconded by Ernest. Burge yes, Jennings yes, Ernest yes, Schenk yes, Ransom yes, Scranton yes.

Alderman Burge makes the motion to give all full time city employees a \$50 Christmas bonus and the part time employees a \$25 Christmas bonus, seconded by Jennings. Jennings yes, Ernest yes, Schenk yes, Ransom yes, Scranton yes, Burge yes.

Treasurer's Report – Cheryl presented her report with no concerns or motions being made.

Public Work's Report – Dusty presented his report with no concerns or motions being made.

Director Buss asked the council if it was ok to roll over his unused vacation time from 2019. The Mayor supported the request with the stipulation being made that it was used before the fiscal year rolled over if council saw fit.

Alderman Burge makes the motion to allow Buss's 2019 vacation time to be rolled over, seconded by Schenk. Ernest yes, Schenk yes, Ransom yes, Scranton yes, Burge yes, Jennings yes.

Committee Reports

Ad Hoc –

Airport –

Cemetery --

City Planning – Alderman Scranton makes the motion to accept the committee's recommendation to approve Ordinance #2019-14 amending the municipal code of The City of Mt. Sterling, Brown County, Illinois by the addition of Chapter 36, Article VII imposing a municipal cannabis retailers' occupation tax of 3%, seconded by Schenk. Schenk yes, Ransom yes, Scranton yes, Burge yes, Jennings yes, Ernest yes.

Alderman Schenk makes the motion to accept the committee's recommendation to approve Ordinance #2019-15 amending the municipal code of The City of Mt. Sterling, Brown County, Illinois by the addition of Chapter 27-2-18 prohibiting cannabis business establishment, seconded by Ransom. Ransom yes, Scranton yes, Burge yes, Jennings yes, Ernest yes, Schenk yes.

Finance/Budget –

Fire -- Chief Gallaher updated the council on where the ETSB contribution to the city for dispatch costs stands. Gallaher told the council pending an intergovernmental agreement that the city would be getting around \$50,000 a year from the ETSB. Chief Gallaher hoped the agreement would be drawn up soon.

Lake/Lake Development –

Personnel – Alderman Burge makes the motion to accept the committee’s recommendation to hire Nathan Thady and Brytton Mason as full time police officers for city, seconded by Schenk. Scranton yes, Burge yes, Jennings yes, Ernest yes, Schenk yes, Ransom.

Plan Commission –

Police – Alderman Ernest makes the motion to allow Jess Bond to carry over vacation time from 2019 as long as it is used before new fiscal year, seconded by Schenk. Burge yes, Jennings yes, Ernest yes, Schenk yes, Ransom yes, Scranton yes.

Street and Alley –

TIF –

Water/Sewer –

Zoning –

Zoning Board of Appeals –

Other Business

Executive Session

Motion was made by Alderman Ransom to accept and file all reports for the 12/16/2019 City Council Meeting, seconded by Schenk. Ransom yes, Scranton yes, Burge yes, Jennings yes, Ernest yes, Schenk yes.

Motion to Adjourn made by Alderman Burge, seconded by Schenk. Schenk yes, Ransom yes, Scranton yes, Burge yes, Jennings yes, Ernest yes.

Respectfully submitted,

Dane Flesner, City Clerk / Collector