

**City of Mt. Sterling
Regular Council Meeting
Zoom Conference Call
November 16th, 2020 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 absent, Schenk here, Ransom here, Scranton here, Burge here, Jennings here.

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

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

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

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

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

Guest/Citizens Opportunity to address the Council – Dan Teefey spoke to council regarding the Brown County Trails Plan. Mr. Teefey was informing council of the Tracy Family Foundation plans to pursue grants for this project. The project would encompass a path to the golf course, city lake, as well as incorporate a whole plan for the county. He asked the council if anyone was interested in being on the committee. Jerri Ernest, Billy Burge and Casey Scranton all expressed interest.

Old Business –

New Business - Jerry Palmer spoke to council regarding the Blue Cross Blue Shield health insurance renewal rates for 2021 for the city employees. The premium is set to go down 2% overall, but there are changes to deductibles and co pays within the plan for 2021. Mayor Bradbury sent the proposal to committee to review and present at December council meeting.

Mayor Bradbury spoke on the use of benefit time for employees when they are to be quarantined for Covid 19. The Mayor asked for a committee to investigate a policy to add to the handbook regarding Covid 19. It was sent to committee to review and make recommendation at next council meeting.

Alderman Burge makes the motion to approve and authorize an agreement by and between City of Mt. Sterling and MTS Housing, LLC, seconded by Scranton. Ransom yes, Scranton yes, Burge yes, Jennings yes, Ernest absent, Schenk yes.

Alderman Scranton makes the motion approve Ordinance #2020-15 2021 Tax Levy, seconded by Schenk. Scranton yes, Burge yes, Jennings yes, Ernest absent, Schenk yes, Ransom 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.

Committee Reports

Ad Hoc –

Airport –

Cemetery –

City Planning –

Finance/Budget –

Fire –

Lake/Lake Development –

Personnel –

Plan Commission –

Police –

Street and Alley –

TIF –

Water/Sewer –

Zoning –

Other Business

Executive Session

Motion was made by Alderman Schenk to accept and file all reports for the 11/16/2020 City Council Meeting, seconded by Burge. Ransom yes, Scranton yes, Burge yes, Jennings yes, Ernest absent, Schenk yes.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Dane Flesner, City Clerk / Collector