

5 August 2024 City Council Meeting Minutes

The St. Charles City Council met at City Hall on Monday, 8/5/2024, for a regular meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Megan Allison called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

Council members Tom Blomme, Whitney Hutton, Travis Brockett, and Dan Kozak were present along with 12 guests. Mayor Dennis Smith was absent.

Approval of Agenda: A motion was made by Dan Kozak/Travis Brockett to approve the agenda. Voice vote passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes for Council Meetings 7/8/2024: Motion made by Travis Brockett/Dan Kozak to approve the minutes. Voice vote passed unanimously.

Approval of July Treasurer and Budget Reports: Motion made by Tom Blomme/Whitney Hutton to approve the treasurer and budget reports for July. Voice vote passed unanimously.

Approval of August Bills: Motion made by Dan Kozak/Tom Blomme to approve the August bills. Voice vote passed unanimously.

Sheriff's Report: During July there were 57.12 patrol hours, 7 calls, and 12 traffic stops in St. Charles.

Tiny Home 109 W Market Street: Lee Kearney was present to discuss his property and future use. The Council would like to see more information and a proposed site plan.

Tree Removal Cherry Street: A Certified Arborist from Wright Tree Service inspected the tree and determined the tree is healthy. Motion by Megan Allison/Tom Blomme to not remove the tree in the right of way. Voice vote was unanimous.

City Boards/Committees:

- Sewer Report: The July sewer report was submitted to the City. After comparing bids to fix the old pump or purchase a new pump a motion was made by Travis Brockett/Whitney Hutton to repair the old pump for \$12,949.00.
- Maintenance Report: The City will plan to reseed this fall where an error was made in spraying for weeds
- Fire/Rescue Department: July meeting minutes were submitted.
- Library Board: Margaret Blair presented the July minutes.
- Mayor's Report: A school bus will be making a stop on W. Vine Street this school year.
- Clerk's Report: The Outstanding Debt report was submitted to the State and a copy was given to the City Council. City Hall will be open for limited hours during the week of September 2nd-6th.

217 W Main Street: The Council has agreed to suspend court proceedings as long as a timeline of work is submitted to the City and the house is weather tight by a date deemed reasonable by the Council.

Resolution 8A-2024 A Resolution approving the purchase of a Rescue /Fire Truck. Motion by Dan Kozak/Travis Brockett to approve Resolution 8A-2024 the purchase of a 2017 truck paid for by the City of St. Charles using earned funds from the St. Charles Fire/Rescue Department. R/C Vote was unanimous.

Kiosk for Imes Bridge: Motion by Tom Blomme/Megan Allison to approve the kiosk at Imes Bridge. The kiosk will be funded by a grant from the Iowa DOT.

Dead Tree Walnut Trail: The City will get an estimate from Precision Tree Care.

Liquor License Welcome Center: A motion was made by Megan Allison/Dan Kozak to approve the Liquor License for the Madison County Chamber of Commerce concerning the Welcome Center. Voice vote was unanimous.

Public Forum: Randall Lane asked for speed limit signs to be erected on North Cross Street. Sam Summer and Jason and Renatta Bolen discussed Hinterland 2024. All 50 states were represented. Erik Rokitnicki asked about a sidewalk going from the City to the Event Center east of St. Charles.

Old Business: No old business

New Business: No new business

Motion made by Megan Allison to adjourn the meeting at 9:02 pm.

The next City Council meeting will be on September 9, 2024, at City Hall.

Megan Allison, Mayor Pro Tem
City Clerk

Attest: Tracy Kozak,

Posted at: City Hall, Post Office, Montross, and Library