

5 June 2023 City Council Meeting Minutes

The St. Charles City Council met at City Hall on Monday, 6/5/2023, for a regular meeting. Mayor Dennis Smith called the meeting to order at 6:33 PM.

Council members Tom Blomme, Dan Kozak, Lois Stanley, Whitney Hutton, and Megan Allison were present along with 4 guests.

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

Approval of Minutes for Council Meeting from 5/1/2023: Motion made by Dan Kozak/Megan Allison to approve the minutes. Voice vote passed unanimously.

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

Approval of June Bills: Motion made by Megan Allison/Whitney Hutton to approve the June bills. Voice vote passed unanimously.

Sheriff's Report: During March there were 39.93 patrol hours, 10 calls, and 8 traffic stops in St. Charles.

City Boards/Committees:

- Fire/Rescue Department: May Minutes were submitted.
- Library Board: May Minutes were submitted
- Welcome Center: Mary Seibert was present. The Tourism Board has received a grant from the Greater Madison County Community Foundation for repairs and upgrades to the Welcome Center.
- Old Settlers: The street closing request was submitted to the Council. Motion by Whitney Hutton/Tom Blomme to approve the closing of W Market, S. Lumber Street, S. Cross Street, and Main Street during the celebration.
- Maintenance Report: InRoads is hoping to start road construction in July, weather permitting. There was a discussion on mowing and overall maintenance within the City.
- Emergency Management: May's Coordinator Report was submitted. Dio and Lexi were present to discuss what is needed for Old Settlers and Hinterland.
- Clerk's Report: City Election information was shared with the Council. Three Councilmen and the Mayor will be up for re-election. Anyone wanting to run for City Council or Mayor may stop at City Hall for information and paperwork.

Casey's Tobacco Permit Renewal: Motion by Megan Allison/Whitney Hutton to approve the renewal of Casey's Tobacco Permit. Voice Vote was unanimous.

Public Hearing Proposing the Disposal of Interest in Real Property, Vacated Alley: Motion by Dan Kozak to open the public hearing at 8:08 pm. The Public Hearing was closed at 8:11 pm with no public comment.

Resolutions 6A-2023 Resolution Directing the Sale of an Interest in Real Property: Motion by Tom Blomme/Dan Kozak to approve Resolution 6A-2023 Directing the Sale of an Interest in Real Property. RC vote was unanimous. Previously approved in 2019.

Crabapple Tree 205 W Main St.: Motion by Megan Allison/Tom Blomme to contact Precision Tree Care to have the tree removed.

Opportunity Forms: The Council was given an update concerning letters mailed and properties being worked on. Emailed concerns were also shared with the Council.

Nuisance Meeting: Tom Blomme attended a League of Cities seminar concerning nuisance properties. He shared with the Council the information on procedures cities are to use when dealing with nuisance abatements.

Public Forum: No public asked to speak.

Old Business: No old business

New Business: Hinterland may want to ask the Council about installing an electric plug at the East Sign and reimbursing the City for any power they would use.

Motion made by Whitney Hutton to adjourn the meeting at 8:38 pm.

The next City Council meeting will be July 10, 2023, at City Hall.

Dennis Smith, Mayor

Attest: Tracy Kozak, City Clerk

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