







Mayor Stephens opened the Public Works Committee Meeting.

Mayor Stephens invited the new councilmen to inform him of the committees that held an interest for them.

Osburn Street extension was discussed. Harold Sheffer stated that Bishop and Elwell are revising their plans but as yet he has not heard from them.

Harold Sheffer discussed street repairs on Hanson Street from 6<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> Street. He is meeting with Darrin and checking it out. ADA compliance etc. to be considered. 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> Streets are where the real problems are.

Discussion was held regarding the boot camp. It is now called the Life Skills Transitory Center. Mayor Stephens toured the facility and they are doing bunks, internet, landscaping now. The schedule is July for employees and August for inmates. It will create 100 jobs and hold 240 inmates. We will need to refresh our security plans for General John A Logan School. Jim Stewart stated that the pumps are okay at the boot camp.

7<sup>th</sup> Street Lift station is a problem. He'll bring back with his recommendation, but it has to be done. He does not know the problem and won't know until we camera it. His experience and opinion is that more horsepower and bigger pumps are needed. He will get us prices. It needs to have the camera used but needs to be fixed now. He will have costs by the next meeting.

There was a lighting strike on the new sewer plant; we are getting those things done and then we will turn it in to the insurance company. Mayor told him to proceed.

Discussion regarding the 7<sup>th</sup> Street Project. Considerable turn out for support and opposition. Harold stated a timetable has been established.

Public comment: Kim Schwartz spoke regarding speed of people going down the road. She stated they are going 40-60 miles per hour and that there is not enough room for two cars to pass each other. She wants the expansion to go farther down. She would like the city to set up a speed control there. Inquired where we were starting extension or expansion. She was told Industrial Park Road to south of railroad tracks. Second phase to go all the way down to Illinois Avenue.

James Kimmel stated that the city drain is a problem. If we would clean the drain they could live with it. He had 43" of water in his yard and 12-13" water in his garage. It did some damage and he wants help to rectify the situation. It was suggested we raise it up to grade and make it bigger and see if it catches more water. Starting work tomorrow. He was told to get information to us and we would turn it into the city's insurance company. If they won't pay then council will see what we can do. Sandra's already filed an insurance claim. Alderman Bratton suggested that Eric's assistant go down and see what we can require the neighbor to do to clean up alley.

Alderman Campos inquired about curbs being run over. Darrin stated we can add more gravel plus cones and they still run them over. Alderman Erbes stated school buses at Middle School are a problem.

No public comment.

Alderman Brown opened the Public Safety Committee Meeting.

Ordinance to add licensed concealed carry as an exception to the offense of carrying a concealed weapon was discussed. Concealed carry-CCW means we have to amend our ordinance.

**Motion: To approve to amend our ordinance to add licensed concealed carry as an exception to the offences of carrying a concealed weapon.**

Motion by Alderman McComb

Second by Alderman Hughes

Alderman Brown called for a voice vote. All were in favor.

**Motion Carried**

Public comment: Mr. Kimmel stated that Logan School should be blocked off. It is an attractive nuisance. We will review to see what we can compel the owner to do better; send him a letter.

Alderman Hughes opened the Personnel Committee Meeting.

There was no old or new business. Alderman Bastien inquired about the person we had hired from SIU to write grants. He was told she took dollars and ran. She brought some grants to us but they were either expired or their deadlines were soon.

No public comment.

**MAYOR'S REPORT**

Special thanks to Sue Lynn Johnson and Jamie Green for painting the planters downtown.

Thank Alderman McComb and all the folks involved with soccer this weekend. Great event for city and great turn out.

Council members get with him for chairs on committees they want.

**ALDERMEN ANNOUNCEMENTS/REQUESTS**

Barb Hughes            Nothing

Jance Curry-Witzman Nothing

Russell Brown	Isn't the mortgage holder supposed to keep the property clean? He was told the bank is requesting the delay on Costa's property.
Herb Voss	Nothing
Gary McComb	Citywide Cleanup Week is this Friday and Saturday. Take everything but landscape waste-that can be taken the 1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> weekend of the month.
John Erbes	Nothing
Dan Bratton	Electric turned on at the Old Depot. Should start on windows.
Mike Bastien	Nothing.
Gloria Campos	Welcome new members
W. J. Pittman	On June 10 <sup>th</sup> at old Masonic Home there will be a carnival with games, music, doctors providing blood pressure etc., from 12-8 pm. from 20 <sup>th</sup> to 21 <sup>st</sup> Dewey Street to Clay Street.

<b>DEPARTMENT HEAD ANNOUNCEMENTS/REQUESTS</b>
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Ed Heller	Nothing.
Sandra Ripley	Nothing
Harold Sheffer	Nothing
Steve Swafford	Nothing
Chad Roberts	Nothing.
Scott Evans	Nothing
Eric Kennedy	Nothing
Brian Manwaring	Nothing.
Darrin Milles	Nothing
Jim Stewart	Nothing.

**Motion: To go into executive session at 8:15 pm to discuss matters related to 5ILCS 120/2(c)(1) regarding the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body**

