

Special City Council Meeting
City of Virden, IL
Virden City Council Chambers
Thursday December 21, 2023

Meeting was called to order by Mayor George Murphy at 6:47pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call:

- **The following Council Members were present:** Calloway, Ibberson, Mottershaw, Bertolino, Neighbors and Boster. Cunningham and Mitchell arrived at 6:48 pm.
- **Absent:** Chief Snodgrass (conflict)
- **Also present were:** Mayor George Murphy, Deputy City Clerk Karen Burgess, Public Works Director Gary Etter and David Bounds (stepping in for Chief Snodgrass). Joe Craven came in at 6:50 pm.
- **Visitor:**

Topics:

1. **Renew HCC Public Risk Insurance for 2024**
Motion made by Mottershaw seconded by Murphy to renew the Illinois Public Risk Insurance and the HCC Public Risk Insurance with the total amount of \$130,974.
Discussion: None
Motion passed with all in favor. *Ayes: Neighbors, Bertolino, Boster, Calloway, Cunningham, Ibberson, Mitchell, and Mottershaw Nays: None; Absent: None*
2. **Renew membership in IML for 2024 (\$450)**
Motion made by Mottershaw seconded by Mitchell to renew membership in IML for \$450 for 2024.
Discussion: none
Motion passed with all in favor. *Ayes: Neighbors, Bertolino, Boster, Calloway, Cunningham, Ibberson, Mitchell, and Mottershaw Nays: None; Absent: None*
3. **Approve December invoice for Hinshaw Law**
Motion made by Bertolino seconded by Boster to approve invoice for Hinshaw Law in the amount of \$6,866.50.
Discussion: None
Motion passed with all in favor. *Ayes: Neighbors, Bertolino, Boster, Calloway, Cunningham, Ibberson, Mitchell, and Mottershaw Nays: None; Absent: None*
4. **Approve purchase of TC-400 Radarsign (radar speed sign) for not more than \$4,000**
Motion made by Mitchell seconded by Boster to approve purchase of the TC-400 Radarsign for not more than \$4,000.
Discussion: Murphy: I don't have the exact amount. Mottershaw: I talked to Steven and he

checked on it. It will be right there. Bounds: (passed out paper) I have it right here. He requested a price for extra batteries. He said to take that off. Neighbors: Who gets to choose where we put it. Murphy: It's mobile.

Motion passed with majority in favor. **Ayes:** *Neighbors, Bertolino, Boster, Calloway, Ibberson, Mitchell, and Mottershaw* **Nays:** *Cunningham*; **Absent:** *None*

5. **Increase part-time Telecommunicator's pay rate to \$15.00/hour start, \$15.50 after release to solo, and \$16.00 after one year**

Motion made by Mitchell seconded by Ibberson to increase part-time Telecommunicator's pay to \$15.00 start effective January 1st, 2024, \$15.50 after release to solo and \$16.00 after one year.

Discussion: Cunningham: What is a telecommunicator? Calloway: Dispatch

Motion passed with majority in favor. **Ayes:** *Cunningham, Neighbors, Bertolino, Boster, Calloway, Ibberson, Mitchell, and Mottershaw* **Nays:** *None*; **Absent:** *None*

6. **Appoint part-time Telecommunicator**

Motion made by Mitchell seconded by Boster to approve the appointment of Henry Brondyke as part-time telecommunicator effective immediately.

Discussion: None

Motion passed with all in favor. **Ayes:** *Neighbors, Bertolino, Boster, Calloway, Cunningham, Ibberson, Mitchell, and Mottershaw* **Nays:** *None*; **Absent:** *None*

Executive Session:

1. **Approval of Executive Session meeting minutes (5ILCS 120/2 (c) (21))**

Additional:

Adjournment:

Motion made by Mitchell seconded by Boster to adjourn at 7:00 pm.

Discussion: None

Motion passed with all in favor. **Ayes:** *Mitchell, Mottershaw, Boster, Cunningham, Ibberson, Neighbors, Calloway and Bertolino*; **Nays:** *None*; **Absent:** *None*

Karen Burgess
Deputy City Clerk

Date Minutes Approved: