

City of Petersburg  
Minutes of Regular City Council Meeting  
November 18, 2024 – 6:30 p.m.  
Petersburg, MI 49270

A Meeting of the Council for the City of Petersburg was held on the above date.  
The Meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor, James W. Holeman  
Councilpersons present were Laura Antoszewski, Dawn Cilley, Kevin Richards, Rita Rousseau, Ron Stumpmier,  
Joanne Tollison  
Absent:

Moved by Tollison to approve the agenda as printed. Supported by Cilley. Aye (7) Nay (0) Absent (0)  
Motion carried.

Minutes of the previous meeting were presented to Council in printed form as recorded.  
Moved by Cilley that the minutes of the 11/4/24 meeting be approved.  
Supported by Stumpmier. Aye (7) Nay (0) Absent (0) Motion carried.

Invoices were presented to council in printed form by accounts: General fund- \$10,028.23; Police fund- \$27,615.96;  
Major St.- \$539,217.13; Local St.- \$5,433.12; Sewer fund- \$12,541.17; Water fund- \$12,747.03 for a total of  
\$607,582.64 Moved by Cilley that the invoices as presented be approved and checks drawn for the same. Supported  
by Stumpmier. Roll Call Vote: Aye (7) Nay (0) Absent (0) Motion carried.

**Public Comment:**

Stella Kirby reported she is meeting with a representative from EGLE Thursday regarding the proposed  
canoe/kayak launch. She will need a letter from the City authorizing her to move forward. She is also  
considering a bike rack or dog clean-up station for Fernstrom Park and would like to see trash cans near the  
picnic tables. Kirby advised the Planning Commission meeting for November 26 has been canceled due to lack  
of agenda.

**New Business:**

Moved by Cilley to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of Ordinance #24-0002, an ordinance to amend Ordinance #96 and  
to provide for revision of sewer system fees and charges. Supported by Richards. Roll Call Vote. Aye (7) Nay  
(0) Absent (0) Motion carried.

Moved by Stumpmier to approve the property combination request by Stacy Irwin, 173 E. Chestnut. Supported  
by Rousseau. Aye (7) Nay (0) Absent (0) Motion carried.

Moved by Richards to authorize Stella Kirby as the Fernstrom Park management director. Supported by Cilley.  
Aye (7) Nay (0) Absent (0) Motion carried.

**Old Business:**

Mayor reported Gerken Paving has completed lifting of manholes and the DPW will address the remaining ones  
as time permits. Also, there is an issue with 1 hydrant on Reflection Court but the fire department has been notified  
that another hydrant is still available nearby. Mayor spoke with Summerfield School superintendent Ost and the  
school is willing to pay the monthly electric cost for 2 path lights on school property. Mayor will contact DTE for  
a rate to bill the school.

**Council Reports:**

Richards reported the Petersburg Event Committee has asked that the municipal parking lot be blocked off in the  
morning of December 1 for the tree lighting festivities.

Cilley reported the library will offer make and take hot cocoa from 4-6pm on December 1 during the event.

Rousseau reported the United Methodist Church will have crafts from 2-6pm on December 1 as well.

**Employee Reports:**

Deputy Treasurer reported \$21,537.14 in delinquent water/sewer charges will be placed on winter tax bills.

Moved by Cilley to approve placing \$21,537.14 in delinquent water/sewer charges on winter tax bills. Supported  
by Richards. Aye (7) Nay (0) Absent (0) Motion carried.

Moved by Richards that Council adjourn at 7:18p.m. Supported by Tollison. Aye (7) Nay (0) Absent (0) Motion  
carried.

Guests: Stella Kirby, Bobby Richards

Employees: Donna Maertin

Minutes submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_ Leanne G. Goodin, Clerk

Minutes approved by: \_\_\_\_\_ Mayor James W. Holeman