

6:00 p.m.-Mayor Flannigan calls the meeting to order. Steve Aston-Alderman Ward I; Mark Spence-Alderman Ward I, Marsha Mills, Alderman Ward II; and Mike Eilers-Alderman Ward II are present. Also in attendance is Linda Haynes, City Clerk. There are two guests in attendance.

In re: Pledge of Allegiance & Moment of Silence-Mayor Flannigan leads the Pledge of Allegiance and then a moment of silence is held.

Mark Spence makes a motion to amend the agenda to include Remarks of Visitors. Mike Eilers seconds the motion. All are in favor.

In re: Remarks of Visitors-Patrick Flynn-Mr. Flynn introduces himself to the Board and states that he is currently the City's municipal judge, but he is running for Circuit 45 Judge. Mr. Flynn provides his background and experience and then explains what the duties of the Circuit 45 Judge are. If elected to that position, the City will need a new municipal judge by the first court date in 2019 which is January 5th.

In re: Public Hearing to set tax rate for personal property and real estate taxes-Steve Aston makes a motion to open the public hearing. Mark Spence seconds the motion. All are in favor. Mayor Flannigan asks if there are any questions. There are no questions from the visitors or the Board. Mayor Flannigan states that these are the rates suggested by the State Auditor. They are the same as last year's rates, which is .4999 for water works and .2554 for general revenue. The City cannot set the rates any higher than the auditor's suggested rate, even though they are lower than the maximum voter approved amounts. The water works tax offsets the costs needed to operate the water system. If the water works rate is set at a lower amount the rates billed on the monthly bills would need to be increased. Mark Spence makes a motion to close the public hearing. Steve Aston seconds the motion. All are in favor.

In re: Ordinance #823-Fixing the annual rate of levy for real estate and personal property taxes-Linda Haynes reads the title of Ordinance #823 in full two times. Mike Eilers makes a motion to approve Ordinance #823. Marsha Mills seconds the motion. Roll call vote is as follows: Steve Aston-Aye, Mark Spence-Aye, Marsha Mills-Aye, Mike Eilers-Aye.

In re: Moscow Mills Lions Club-variance fee-Mayor Flannigan states that the Lions Club is applying for a six year variance for the paving of the parking lot at the new Lions Club building. Their building will be paid off in five years, and the paving variance would have a six year sunset clause. This will give them one year to accumulate the funds after the building is paid for. Linda Haynes explains the publications and the soonest the hearing can be held would be September 18th. The Board and the applicant all agree that waiting to hold the hearing at the October 9th meeting will not hold up the project. Mayor Flannigan states that he had inquired with the City Attorney about possibly waiving the \$600 variance fee. She was not in favor of waiving the fee. Linda Haynes states that the applicant has a refund coming from the building permit fee of around \$400 that can be applied toward the variance fee. Roger Krieg states that he will be in this week to pay the rest of the variance fee.

Mark Spence makes a motion to adjourn. Marsha Mills seconds the motion. All are in favor.

Respectfully Submitted:

Patrick Flannigan, Mayor

Linda Haynes, City Clerk