

CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
 Beardstown, Illinois

December 3, 2019

**Roll Call** The City Council of the City of Beardstown, Cass County, Illinois, met in regular session Tuesday, December 3, 2019 at Beardstown City Hall, 105 West Third Street at 6:37 p.m. At the above time and place, the following members were present: Mayor Leslie Harris, City Clerk Brian Ruch, Alderpersons Gabe Seward, Robert Burget, Mary Davis, Tom Penwarden, Ron Culves, Missy Meyer, Tim Harris and Sally Lael. Absent: none. There being a quorum present, the meeting was called to order.

**Public Comment** Ed Eustice addressed the City Council regarding the use of a foot trap by an individual to catch cats. Eustice informed it is cruelty to animals and an endangerment to kids. Mayor Harris informed it will be placed in the newspaper that the use of traps is a city code violation.

**Minutes Approved** Motion by Meyer, seconded by Davis “That the reading of the minutes of the meeting held November 19, 2019 be dispensed with, that the minutes be approved as published.” passed unanimously by voice vote.

**Consent Agenda Filed** Motion by Lael, seconded by Burget “That the Consent Agenda be approved.” passed unanimously by roll call vote under the Omnibus Vote Designation.

<u>Water Superintendent Report</u>	<u>November 2019</u>	<u>May 1-April 30</u>
Gallons Pumped	24,131,238	169,040,891

<u>Police Chief’s Report</u>	<u>November 2019</u>	<u>May 1-April 30</u>
Calls Answered	871	6,336
Criminal Arrests	11	146
Traffic Arrests	117	365
Traffic Stops	198	538
Warrants Served	14	102
City Ordinance Citations	0	4
Criminal Damage Reports	7	55
Thefts, Felony	6	61
Thefts, Misdemeanor	11	116
Burglaries	9	47
Batteries	0	22
Disorderly Conduct	1	10
Accidents	12	120

<u>Fire Chief’s Report</u>	<u>November 2019</u>	<u>May 1-April 30</u>
City Fires	8	55
Rural Fires	3	19
Mutual Aid	1	2
Rescue Calls	<u>1</u>	<u>5</u>
Total	13	81

Code Enforcement Report- November 2019

Attached to minutes

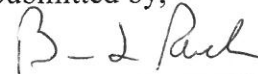
Zoning Officer Report-November 2019

No Report Submitted

Disbursements for the period ending December 3, 2019.

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| Ordinance-<br>Tax Levy   | Motion by Culves, seconded by Lael "That an Ordinance for the Levy and Assessment of Taxes for the Fiscal Year Beginning May 1, 2019 and Ending April 30, 2020 for the City of Beardstown, County of Cass, State of Illinois be adopted." passed by 8-0 roll call vote. Yea: Burget, Culves, Davis, Harris, Lael, Meyer, Penwarden and Seward. No: none. Absent: none.   |
| Ordinance-Tax<br>Abatement Series<br>2016A Waterworks<br>& 2016B Sewerage<br>Bonds | Motion by Culves, seconded by Burget "That an Ordinance Abating the Taxes Heretofore Levied for the Year 2019 to Pay Debt Service on the City's Outstanding General Obligation Refunding Bonds (Waterworks System Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2016A, and General Obligation Refunding Bonds (Sewerage System Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2016B be adopted." passed by 8-0 roll call vote. Yea: Burget, Culves, Davis, Harris, Lael, Meyer, Penwarden and Seward. No: none. Absent: none. |
|  | Mayor Harris provided an update on the meeting with the CORPS of Engineers regarding an evacuation plan during flooding. Harris informed Ameren will be sponsoring a "Business After Hours" at the Roundhouse on Thursday, December 12. City Christmas party will be held at the Elks Club on December 28.   |
| Adjournment  | There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 6:53 P.M. on the motion of Burget, seconded by Davis.   |

Submitted by,



City Clerk