

STATE OF ILLINOIS  
COUNTY OF CHRISTIAN  
CITY OF PANA

COUNCIL CHAMBERS PANA CITY HALL  
REGULAR MEETING JANUARY 13, 2025

Mayor Nathan Pastor called the meeting of the Pana City Council to order at 7:00 P.M.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was recited.

Roll Call showed the following Alderpersons as being present: Christer, Eddy, Stephens, Scott, Smith, Garrett, Beeson were present. Schneider was absent. Seven aldermen were present. One was absent.

Scott/Beeson to approve the consent agenda as presented. Items included in the consent agenda are the minutes of the December 16, 2024 regular and closed session meeting, payrolls to be paid on December 27, 2024 and January 3 & 10, 2025 and disbursements to be paid January 16, 2025. The motion carried on the following roll call vote: Christer, Eddy, Stephens, Scott, Smith, Garrett, Beeson, voting aye. No nays. Seven ayes.

Members of the community were invited to ask questions regarding the Waste Water Treatment Plant project. Mr. Tommy Jeffers was concerned about the project not proceeding. Mr. Larry Grieg asked what type of overrun on the cost of the project was allowed and who, locally, would oversee the project. Mr. Austin Shride asked what type of surcharge the customers could expect and if that surcharge would be removed after completion of the project.

Christer/Stephens to approve the Notice of Intent to Award Contract to Grunloh Construction, Inc. for the Waste Water Treatment Plan improvement project. The motion carried on the following roll call vote: Eddy, Stephens, Scott, Smith, Garrett, Beeson, Christer voting aye. No nays. Seven ayes.

Scott/Eddy to reject all bids for the Pana Lake Water Main extension project, rescind the DCEO Grant, and de-obligate the USDA-RD funding. The motion carried on the following roll call vote: Scott, Smith, Garrett, Christer, Eddy voting aye. Stephens, Beeson voting nay. Two nays. Five ayes.

Scott/Christer to pass Ordinance #2009 of "An Ordinance Approving a Special Use Permit to Allow Tourist and Lodging Uses at 103 West Washington Street." The motion carried on the following roll call vote: Scott, Smith, Garrett, Beeson, Christer, Eddy, Stephens, voting aye. No nays. Seven ayes

Scott/Beeson to waive first presentation and pass Ordinance #2010 of "An Ordinance Addressing Adjustment of Water & Sewer Bill Due to Customer Having Water System Malfunction." The motion carried on the following roll call vote: Smith, Garrett, Beeson, Christer, Eddy, Stephens, Scott voting aye. No nays. Seven ayes

Scott/Beeson to acknowledge first presentation of "An Ordinance Imposing Water Meter Testing Fee." The motion carried on the following roll call vote: Garrett, Beeson, Eddy, Stephens, Scott, Smith, voting aye. Christer voting nay. One nay. Six ayes.

Christer/Smith to pass Resolution #25-01, "A Resolution Approving a Lease Agreement with Jerry Phillips." The motion carried on the following roll call vote: Beeson, Christer, Eddy, Stephens, Scott, Smith, Garrett, voting aye. No nays. Seven ayes.

Eddy/Beeson to approve a Special Events Application from the Pana Disc Golf Club to hold the Rose City Open on May 17, 2025 at both Kitchell Park and the Spillway Disc Golf Course. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Scott/Smith to approve hiring Evan Swisher and Brock Kircher for the Street Department and Ross Glick for the Flexible Position pending successful physicals and background checks. The motion carried on the following roll call vote: Eddy, Stephens, Scott, Smith, Garrett, Beeson, Christer voting aye. No nays. Seven ayes.

Eddy/Scott to waive first presentation and pass Ordinance #2011 of "An Ordinance Authorizing 4-Way Stop Signs at the Intersection of 7<sup>th</sup> Street and Chestnut Street." The motion carried on the following roll call vote: Stephens, Scott, Smith, Garrett, Beeson, Christer, Eddy, voting aye. No nays. Seven ayes

Eddy/Christer to approve installing flashing solar lights on the stop sign at 6<sup>th</sup> Street and Fair Avenue and to install a flashing warning sign pending approval from IDOT. The motion carried on the following roll call vote: Scott, Smith, Garrett, Beeson, Christer, Eddy, Stephens voting aye. No nays. Seven ayes.

Eddy/Christer to request IDOT to place a W I-7 sign on the boulevard at 6<sup>th</sup> Street and Fair Avenue. The motion carried on the following roll call vote: Smith, Garrett, Beeson, Christer, Eddy, Stephens, Scott voting aye. No nays. Seven ayes.

Eddy made a motion to use Business District funds to assist with the Fire Station improvements.

Eddy rescinded his motion.

Eddy/Scott to approve appointment of David A Thompson and NeLainey N Kloever as volunteer firefighters. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Alderman Scott informed council that one of the new lift station pumps has failed and a resolution is being looking into, and I one of Street Department's dump trucks blew a cylinder during snow removal.

Police Chief Daniel Bland informed council that Officer Caleb Hubbartt will be recognized for his involvement in a drug arrest. Chief Bland also reported on the departments statistics for year 2024, and the grant to support the Task Force was approved for another three years.

Linda Dressen of Pana Pride addressed Council regarding the shed placed in Kitchell Park by the Soccer League in 2007.

Scott/Beeson to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

/s/ Kim Toberman  
City Clerk

/s/ Nathan Pastor  
Mayor