

**TRENTON CITY COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 27, 2016
6:00PM
TRENTON CITY HALL**

Mayor Jackson called the regularly scheduled meeting of the Trenton City Council to order. Alderman Abbott led the invocation with the Pledge of Allegiance to follow. Those present for the meeting were Mayor Jackson, Aldermen Abbott, Hammonds, Wade, Gibson, Graves, and Alderperson Leadbetter. City employees Terry Bailey, Ricky Bailey, Terry Brown, Terrence Elam, Will Sanders, Scott Dahlstrom, Richard Gossum, Judge Mueller, and Leigh Reynolds. Visitors present were Carolyn Little, Peggy Thornton, JJ Whitwell, Nicki Whitwell, Will Minton, and Crystal Burns.

Alderman Hammonds made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 15, 2016 council meeting. Alderperson Leadbetter seconded the motion. The motion carried by voice vote.

CITIZENS' INPUT

JJ and Nicki Whitwell residing at 4 Broadfield addressed the water and wastewater increase. They asked if there were other avenues to pursue.

With much discussion, Mayor Jackson, Aldermen, Alderperson, Scott Dahlstrom and Judge Mueller explained the reason for increase.

OLD BUSINESS

2ND READING ORDINANCE NO. 308: INCREASE IN WATER/WASTEWATER RATES

Alderman Hammonds made a motion to pass 2nd reading on Ordinance #308 setting new water and sewer rates (10% water and 20% wastewater). Alderman Wade seconded the motion. The motion carried by voice vote.

REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS

RICKY BAILEY/BUILDING & ZONING DEPARTMENT

Ricky stated that he talked to the owner of 206 High Street and the owner will start cleaning the property in the next two weeks.

ALDERMAN'S REPORT

Alderman Abbott thanked Ricky Bailey for contacting the owner of 206 High Street.

Alderman Graves stated that increasing the water and wastewater rates are the only choice we have right now, but appreciated the input from citizens.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Jackson stated that the council meeting on October 25, 2016 is the same night as the Chamber Banquet. He asked the council about changing council meeting to the 24th.

Alderman Abbott made a motion to change council meeting on October 25, 2016 to October 24, 2016. Alderman Hammonds seconded the motion. The motion carried by voice vote.

September 28, 2016 Utility Board meeting

October 5, 2016 National walk to school day

October 10, 2016 6:00pm Public meeting SRF loan

October 11, 2016 Preconstruction for Phase II Downtown at 8:30am

October 11. 2016 Next council meeting

Alderman Hammonds made a motion to adjourn at 6:33pm. Alderperson Leadbetter seconded the motion. The motion carried by voice vote.

Ricky Jackson, Mayor

Leigh Reynolds, City Recorder