

**AGENDA
CHILLICOTHE CITY COUNCIL
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER
DECEMBER 9, 2024
7:00 P.M.**

**CALL TO ORDER
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
ROLL CALL BY CLERK
READING OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING BY CLERK
PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS BY CLERK
PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR AND ALDERPERSON
COUNCIL COMMITTEE COMMUNICATIONS
ANYONE WITH BUSINESS CONCERNING CITY GOVERNMENT
PRESENTATION OF BILLS, TRANSFERS AND PAYROLLS FOR PAYMENT AND DISCUSSION**

MAYOR HUGHES

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE – ALDERPERSON SHARP

- 1. Approve – Payment – Stark Excavating – Benedict Bridge**
- 2. Approve – Engineering Agreement – PPUATS Grant – Cloverdale**

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE – ALDERPERSON CONNOR

- 1. Approve – Intergovernmental Agreement – Bike Path – Chillicothe Public Library**
- 2. Approve – Intergovernmental Agreement – Bike Path – IVC District 321**

FINANCE COMMITTEE – ALDERPERSON D. WHITE

- 1. Refer to City Attorney – Draft Ordinance – Grocery Tax**
- 2. Closed Session - Purchase or Lease Real Estate 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (5)**

ADJOURNMENT

AGENDA CLERK

**CITY OF CHILLICOTHE
COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 9, 2024**

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Chillicothe, Peoria County, Illinois, met in Regular Session in person December 9, 2024 at 7:00 P.M. with Mayor Michael D. Hughes presiding and with proper notice having been posted.

Mayor Hughes called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

The Pledge of Allegiance, to the Flag of the United States of America, was recited.

Chairman Hughes directed Clerk Byrnes to take roll.

Physically Present:

**Mayor Michael D. Hughes
Treasurer B.L. Bredeman
City Clerk Jill M. Byrnes**

Alderspersons Present:

**Barry Bredeman, Courtney Gehrig, Jeff Jenkins,
Patrick Semtner, Gary Sharp, Timothy White**

Alderspersons Absent:

Patricia Westerman-Connor, Donald White

Also Physically Present:

**City Attorney Kevin Day
Attorney Justin Gunn
Police Chief Jeremy Cooper
City Engineer Dave Horton
Officer Manager Denise Passage
Amanda Beadles, Economic Development Director
Shawn Sutherland, Superintendent of Public Works**

Chairman Hughes declared a Quorum present.

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The Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on November 25, 2024 were presented. Motion Alderperson Jenkins, second Alderperson T. White, that the Council dispense with the reading of the Minutes of the November 25, 2024 Regular Council Meeting and approve the Minutes as presented.

Motion Carried Via Voce vote.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS BY THE CLERK:

Clerk Byrnes presented the following Committee and Commission Minutes:

- 1. Comprehensive Steering Committee – 6/27/2024, 11/18/2024**
- 2. Shademakers Committee – 10/22/2024**
- 3. Chillicothe Plan Commission – 11/5/2024**
- 4. Public Works Committee – 12/4/2024**

Communications by the Clerk:

- 1. City Collector's Report – 11/2024**
- 2. City Budget Report – 11/2024**
- 3. City Treasurer's Report – 11/30/2024**
- 4. City Engineer's Report - 12/4/2024**

I am in receipt of a thank you note from the Community Needs Agency which reads:
Thank you for your generous donation that enables us to help others. We appreciate all you do for the Community Needs Agency.

Darlene Kumpf, President

I am in receipt of a thank you note from Greater Peoria Economic Development Council which reads:

Amanda,

Please extend my thanks to your entire council for continued support of Greater Peoria EDC and the regional economy. While we certainly value the financial support, even better is the amazing partnership with people like you. Thanks for all you do for Chill and Greater Peoria.
Chris, CEO

Motion Alderperson Jenkins, second Alderperson T. White, that the petitions and communications as presented by Clerk Byrnes be accepted and placed on file.

Motion Carried Via Voce vote.

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PETITIONS AND COMMUNICAITONS FROM THE MAYOR AND ALDERPERSONS:

None

COUNCIL COMMITTEE COMMUNICATION:

Aldersperson Semtner informed the Council that he had received all supervisor self-performance evaluations. He will review with the Committee and report back to the Council with recommendations at a later date.

ANYONE WITH BUSINESS CONCERNING CITY GOVERNMENT:

None

Motion Aldersperson Sharp, second Aldersperson Bredeman, that the bills as presented be paid and the payrolls and transfers be approved.

Roll Call Vote was:

Ayes: Bredeman, Gehrig, Jenkins,
Semtner, Sharp, T. White

Nays: None

Chairman declared motion carried.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:

Motion Aldersperson Sharp, second Aldersperson Bredeman, that the Council approve an expenditure of \$75,520.00, payable to Stark Excavating, Inc., for the Benedict Bridge Repair. Payable from the Road & Bridge Fund.

Roll Call Vote was:

Ayes: Bredeman, Gehrig, Jenkins,
Semtner, Sharp, T. White

Nays: None

Chairman declared motion carried.

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Motion Alderperson Sharp, second Alderperson Bredeman, that the Council approve the engineering agreement between the City of Chillicothe and Fehr Graham for engineering services for the PPUATS Grant – Cloverdale Road Improvement Project, in the amount of \$59,900.00 and authorize the Mayor to execute said agreement. Payable from the Road & Bridge Fund.

Roll Call Vote was:

Ayes: **Bredeman, Gehrig, Jenkins
Semtner, Sharp, T. White**

Nays: **None**

Chairman declared motion carried.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:

Motion Alderperson Jenkins, second Alderperson T. White, that in the absence of Alderperson Connor, Alderperson Gehrig be allowed to present Alderperson Connor's agenda items.

Roll Call Vote was:

Ayes: **Bredeman, Gehrig, Jenkins,
Semtner, Sharp, T. White**

Nays **None**

Chairman declared motion carried.

Motion Alderperson Gehrig, second Alderperson Jenkins, that the Council approve an Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Chillicothe and the Chillicothe Public Library District for the installation and maintenance of a pedestrian/bike path on Library District Property, authorize and direct the Mayor and City Attorney to take all reasonable and prudent actions necessary to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement substantially similar to the Agreement before Council, and further authorize and direct the Mayor and City Attorney to take the reasonable and prudent actions necessary for bid letting on the project.

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Discussion: Attorney Day informed the Council that this motion gives direction to complete the process. The Council approves the motion as presented with the understanding that the Library District to date has not yet approved the agreement, negotiations are ongoing with the Library District. Bid letting has been scheduled for 1/10/2025.

Roll Call Vote was:

Ayes: **Bredeman, Gehrig, Jenkins,
Semtner, Sharp, T. White**

Nays: **None**

Chairman declared motion carried.

Motion Alderperson Gehrig, second Alderperson Jenkins, that the Council approve an Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Chillicothe and Illinois Valley Central School District No. 321 for the installation and maintenance of a pedestrian/bike path on School District Property, authorize and direct the Mayor and City Attorney to take all reasonable and prudent actions necessary to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement substantially similar to the Agreement before Council, and further authorize and direct the Mayor and City Attorney to take the reasonable and prudent actions necessary for bid letting on the project.

Discussion: Attorney Day informed the Council that this motion gives direction to complete the process. The Council approves the motion as presented with the understanding that the IVC School District to date has not yet approved the agreement, negotiations are ongoing with IVC School District. Bid letting has been scheduled for 1/10/2025.

Roll Call Vote was:

Ayes: **Bredeman, Gehrig, Jenkins,
Semtner, Sharp, T. White**

Nays: **None**

Chairman declared motion carried.

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FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Motion Alderperson Bredeman, second Alderperson T. White, that in the absence of Alderperson D. White, Alderperson Sharp be allowed to present Alderperson D. White's agenda item #1 and agenda item #2 will be withdrawn.

Roll Call Vote was:

Ayes: **Bredeman, Gehrig, Jenkins,
Semtner, Sharp, T. White**

Nays: **None**

Chairman declared motion carried.

Motion Alderperson Sharp, second Alderperson Gehrig, that the Council instruct the City Attorney to draft an Ordinance implementing a municipal grocery retailers' occupation tax and a municipal grocery service occupation tax at a rate of 1%.

Roll Call Vote was:

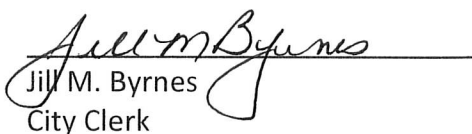
Ayes: **Bredeman, Gehrig, Jenkins,
Semtner, Sharp, T. White**

Nays: **None**

Chairman declared motion carried.

Motion Alderperson Jenkins, second Alderperson Sharp, to adjourn at 7:15 p.m.

Mayor Hughes declared the meeting adjourned.


Jill M. Byrnes
City Clerk