



**SPECIAL City Council Meeting Minutes**  
**Monday, June 13, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.**  
**In the library at Five Points Washington, 380 N. Wilmore Road, Washington, Illinois**

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**Call to Order** Mayor Manier called the special meeting of Monday, June 13, 2022 to order at 6:30 p.m. with a quorum present.

**Roll Call** Present: Adams, Brownfield, Butler, Dingledine, Stevens and Yoder  
Remote: None  
Absent: Blundy

**Also Present** City Administrator Jim Snider, City Engineer Dennis Carr, Planning and Development Director Jon Oliphant, Finance Director Joanie Baxter, Public Works Director Brian Rittenhouse, Police Chief Mike McCoy, City Clerk Valeri Brod, City Attorney Brittany Miller and Press

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**Pledge of Allegiance** Mayor Manier asked for a moment of silence in honor of Officer Jake Cernek for the loss of his young son.

All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance lead by Mayor Manier

**Citizens Wishing to be Heard** Mike Anderson who lives on Tyler came forward to share that he has recently experienced sewer problems and has looked into making repairs. He shared that he was unaware that the resident is responsible for the sewer line that extends from the house to the main. He stated that these repairs would need heavy equipment. He expressed his appreciation to the City for helping. He stated that he fears that when the City does the smoke test, there may be many who can't afford the repairs. Mr. Anderson suggested sending out letters to create awareness about the topic.

Katie Beale who lives on Locus explained that she saw on the plan that the culverts need to be cleaned out. She held a hand drawing showing the areas that drain to her house. She noted the old Georgetown area and stated that events are increasing. Ms. Beale stated that she has seen white water rapids and that a neighbor had water in their basement in 2020. She also stated that this did not happen before tornado. Ms. Beale went on to say that in the proposal, the back corner of her lot would drain to the east instead of both east and west. She showed a hand drawn proposal. She stated that she understands that berms cannot be built to redirect water, however there is a berm built that redirects water towards her lot. Ms. Beale shared that a neighbor has dug around their house to try to redirect the water. She asked that her concern be on record. Ms. Beale shared that she is concerned that if culverts are dug out, more water will reach her house at a faster rate. She noted areas that have washed out and explained that she has emailed some staff and alderpersons about her concerns and that this will affect home values.

Gary McIntyre from Kingsbury stated that this is a great opportunity regarding the Trails Edge Final Plat because he sees an out. He stated that he is still concerned about water run-off and according to code, City Council "may" extend the filing deadline, not "have to" extend the filing date. Mr. McIntyre stated that we cannot go by the developer's word because the developer started work on the area knowing they were against city code. Mr. McIntyre stated that the recent sales tax increase was passed to help projects like this. He also stated that he cannot find one code change, and Council said they would make changes. He asked Council to not approve the Final Plat until the developer can give a written letter stating why they missed the deadline.

Sam LaHood from Austin Engineer was present for the reapproval of the Trails Edge Final Plat. He explained that they had requested a loan in November but because their bank was sold to another bank, it backed up their process until March of 2022. After the initial denial, they went to Morton Community Bank, but this pushed them past the deadline. He shared that the current onsite activities have been pre-approved and anticipates starting earth moving activities as early as next week.

**Mayor** Mayor Manier expressed his pride for the Washington Baseball team and Coach Wisher. He noted that Coach Wisher has had more than 300 wins. He shared that people throughout the state have acknowledged their baseball season. This was the most wins in history of high school.

**City Administrator**

<b>Adopt Resolution</b> <i>Trails Edge Final Plat Approval</i>	<p>City Administrator Jim Snider read the following resolution, by title and brief synopsis: The following resolution would reapprove the final plat for Trails Edge Subdivision Section 9. He stated that fees and surety have been submitted as previously prescribed by City Engineer and the final plat should have been recorded within 90 days, but this was delayed through issues with their bank. He stated that all documents have been submitted.</p> <p>Aldersperson Dingleline motioned and Aldersperson Brownfield seconded.</p> <p>Aldersperson Stevens stated that the reasons for her vote are in the February 7<sup>th</sup> minutes and she can't understand why this is not on next week's agenda when all alderspersons would be present</p> <p><u>Motion carried by roll call vote:</u> <u>Ayes: 3</u> Brownfield, Butler and Dingleline <u>Nays: 1</u> Stevens <u>Abstains: 2</u> Adams and Yoder</p>
<b>2nd Reading Ordinance</b> <i>Approve amending Chapter 50 of the Municipal Code adding a provision related to the rates for city water service and approving an agreement with Beck Oil Company</i>	<p>City Administrator Jim Snider provided the first reading of the following ordinance, by title and brief synopsis: The following ordinance would amend chapter 50 of the municipal code of the city of Washington, Tazewell County, Illinois, to add a provision related to the rates for city water service and approving an agreement with Beck Oil Company of Illinois.</p> <p>Aldersperson Adams motioned and Aldersperson Brownfield seconded.</p> <p>Aldersperson Stevens stated that she feels there wasn't much time and there wasn't the current ordinance with the red-lined items. Mr. Snider clarified that the changes were highlighted in yellow. Aldersperson Stevens shared areas that she felt were missing in the provided ordinance and it was clarified that the items that were changing appear but the items that are staying the same do not. She stated that she wants to vote yes for selling City water but doesn't want to pay for the infrastructure. City Administrator Snider stated that this is unique because the sale of this quantity of water will be over \$3,100.00 per month until it is paid off, then the City will received that amount perpetually. Aldersperson Stevens asked if she could get the average use for a year. City Administer Snider shared that these are the projections from Beck Oil. It was noted that this will protect residents from the negative impacts of a business drawing that much water off their system.</p> <p>Attorney Miller stated that Section 3 has remained unchanged therefore the monthly fees remain. It amends Section 2, then deletes Section 4 and adds Sub-section 5. Aldersperson Brownfield clarified that the ordinance adds language to Section 4.</p> <p><u>Motion carried by roll call vote:</u> <u>Ayes: 5</u> Adams, Brownfield, Butler, Dingleline and Yoder <u>Nays: 1</u> Stevens</p>
<b>Aldersperson's Comments</b>	<p>None at this time.</p>
<b>Adjournment</b>	<p>At 6:59 p.m. Aldersperson Brownfield moved and Aldersperson Dingleline seconded to adjourn.</p> <p><u>Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.</u></p>

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Valeri Brod, City Clerk

The regularly scheduled Committee of the Whole meeting took place immediately after the conclusion of this meeting.