

Council Minutes

May 7, 2002

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE ZION CITY COUNCIL
HELD ON TUESDAY, MAY 7, 2002, AT 7:01 P.M. IN THE CITY
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, ZION, ILLINOIS

Pastor Tim Eddy gave inspirational comments.

Mayor Harrison called the meeting to order.

On call of the roll the following answered present: Commissioners DeTienne, Taylor, Bennett, Rogers and Mayor Harrison.

Mayor Harrison led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

AGENDA CHANGES

It was moved by Commissioner DeTienne, seconded by Commissioner Taylor to accept the Council agenda with amendments as follows:

- Delete the discussion regarding William Ryan's proposed development pertaining to Brighton Ponds, item 9.n.
- Delete the discussion regarding IEPA Brownfield Grant, item 9.o.
- Delete the resolution for the transfer of mowing equipment from Township of Zion to City of Zion, item 7.b.
- Move the request to return vacation time used by Police personnel who represented the Zion Police Department at the 2002 Winter Olympic Games from item 9.h. to 12.c.

The vote on roll call was: Commissioners DeTienne, aye; Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; Rogers, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Bennett that the Consent Agenda be approved as follows:

(a) MINUTES of a Regular Meeting and Closed Session held on April 16, 2002 at 8:18 P.M. and a Workshop/Special Meeting held on April 25, 2002 at 4:34 P.M., with all members having previously received copies.

(b) DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS: City Clerk's Monthly Report, April, 2002

(c) BILLS: Vouchers 79442 through 79720 drawn on the National City Bank, \$1,482,730.33; First Midwest Bank, \$79,821.94; Bank of Waukegan; \$27,021.14; Bridgeview Bank, \$139,390.37; Total: \$1,728,963.78 plus add back of voided checks, \$1,000.00 \$ \$141.03; Grand Total: \$1,730,104.81 The vote on roll call was: Commissioners DeTienne, aye; Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; Rogers, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Jim Howard questioned the status of the money donated to a drug dog fund. Mayor Harrison stated all money donated for a drug dog is in City funds. Greg Schneider stated this money would be in the City's drug fund.

ESDA/RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION

Mayor Harrison presented a plaque to ESDA members, honoring them for their dedication and invaluable service to the City of Zion.

It was moved by Commissioner DeTienne, seconded by Commissioner Rogers that a Resolution of Commendation (02-R-14) be passed thanking the Zion ESDA volunteers for their faithful and steadfast service to the Zion community. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners DeTienne, aye; Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; Rogers, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried. Resolution passed.

AMENDING PERSONNEL AUTHORIZATION/PUBLIC WORKS

It was moved by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Rogers that a Resolution (02-R-15) be passed amending the Personnel Authorization adding temporary seasonal positions in Public Works. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners DeTienne, aye; Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; Rogers, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried. Resolution passed.

SHERIDAN ROAD STREETScape IMPROVEMENTS

It was moved by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Rogers that a Resolution (02-R-16) be passed calling for a public hearing to be held May 21, 2002 at 7:00 P.M., concerning the intent of the City Council of the City of Zion, Lake County, Illinois, to sell \$6,000,000 General Obligation Alternate Bonds (Special Tax Allocation Fund Alternate Revenue Source) for the purpose of defraying the cost of Sheridan Road and related improvements. A public hearing is to be conducted prior to the sale of bonds. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners DeTienne, aye; Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; Rogers, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried. Resolution passed.

ROAD IMPROVEMENTS

It was moved by Commissioner Rogers, seconded by Commissioner Taylor that a Resolution (02-R-17) be passed calling for a public hearing to be held May 21, 2002 at 7:00 P.M., concerning the intent of the City Council of the City of Zion, Lake County, Illinois to sell \$8,000,000 General Obligation Alternate Bonds (Combined Zion Energy LLC Agreement Fees and Motor Fuel Tax Receipts Alternate Revenue Source) for the purpose of defraying the cost of road and related improvements. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners DeTienne, aye; Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; Rogers, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried. Resolution passed.

AUTHORIZING SALE/2909 GIDEON AVENUE

It was moved by Commissioner Rogers, seconded by Commissioner Taylor that an Ordinance (02-0-29) be passed authorizing the sale of 2909 Gideon Avenue to James Smith in the amount of \$500.00. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners DeTienne, aye; Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; Rogers, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried. Ordinance passed.

AUTHORIZING SALE/2909 1/2 GIDEON AVENUE

It was moved by Commissioner Rogers, seconded by Commissioner Taylor that an Ordinance (02-0-30) be passed authorizing the sale of 2909 1/2 Gideon Avenue to Victor Mittelberg in the amount of \$502.00. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners DeTienne, aye; Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; Rogers, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried. Ordinance passed.

CABLE COMMISSION/ZBTHS CABLE TV PROGRAM

A letter (02-DOC-60) was received from Guy Garrison of the Zion/Winthrop Harbor Cable Commission requesting permission to expend funds in order to send the students in the Zion-Benton Township High School Cable TV program (ZBTV) to a national competition. The ZBTV won first place in the state competition. The cost to send these students to the National VICA Competition would be approximately \$3,000. The Cable Commission's funds are utilized by both Zion and Winthrop Harbor, and expenditures must be approved by both communities. There are sufficient funds available for this endeavor.

It was moved by Commissioner DeTienne, seconded by Commissioner Bennett to grant permission for the Zion/Winthrop Harbor Cable Commission to expend up to \$3,000, in order to send the students in the ZBTV program to the National VICA Competition.. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners DeTienne, aye; Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; Rogers, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

NOSTALGIA DAYS

A letter (02-DOC-61) was received from LeEtta Workman, President of Nostalgia Days, Inc. requesting a donation to help offset the cost of

insurance for the Annual Car Show. This year's event will take place on June 22, 2002. Commissioner Rogers stated the committee is requesting \$1,000, which is the cost of their renewal for liability insurance. The Nostalgia Days committee is also requesting the closure of a portion of Sheridan Road for this event.

It was moved by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Rogers to approve a donation in the amount of \$1,000.00 for Nostalgia Days, Inc. 16th Annual Car Show. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners DeTienne, aye; Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; Rogers, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Rogers, seconded by Commissioner Taylor that a Resolution (02-R-18) be passed, requesting permission of the Illinois Department of Transportation for the temporary closure of Sheridan Road on June 22, 2002 between 5:00 P.M. and 6:00 P.M. for Nostalgia Days. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners DeTienne, aye; Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; Rogers, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried. Resolution passed.

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

It was moved by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne to appoint the following members to City Boards and Commissions:

Accident Review Board	Fine Arts Council	Police Pension Board
Mary Hudson	Rhonda Heaney	Dr. Dennis McCreary
Charlie Fisher	Dr. Maurice Bird	
	Tom Clark	Fire & Police Commission
Cable TV Commission	Cheryl Isom	Kevin Parker
Guy Glenn Garrison	Jane Adams	
Charles King	Diane Burkemper	Liquor Control Commission
Ed Spohr	Lauren Guinn	Nadine Thorn
	Sheryl Harrison	
Electrical Commission	Delaine Rogers	Organization Committee (BDC)
John Jones	Tom Lay	Ray Trusky
Robert Payne		
David LaBelle	Festival of Lights	

Erwin Christensen Chris Clark
Constance Corder
(ComEd) Greg Nugent
Charlie Revis Carol Ruesch
 John Plowman
 Les Martin

The vote on roll call was: Commissioners DeTienne, aye; Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; Rogers, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

HEALTH INSURANCE CONTRACT

Commissioner Bennett recommended the renewal of the City's health insurance contract with Health Plan Management effective May 1, 2002 through December 31, 2002. The City has contracted with an insurance consultant with the intent of making any recommendations regarding carriers and/or changes by January 1, 2003. Commissioner Bennett noted Health Plan Management's monthly fixed costs have decreased slightly in comparison to their last contract.

It was moved by Commissioner Bennett, seconded by Commissioner Taylor to authorize the renewal of the City's health insurance coverage with Health Plan Management, effective May 1, 2002 through December 31, 2002. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners DeTienne, aye; Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; Rogers, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

HEALTH INSURANCE/GCG FINANCIAL

A memo (02-DOC-62) was received from Clerk Mackey, regarding the City's consultants for health insurance, GCG Financial. GCG Financial is requesting the consideration of designating the Lake Forest Bank as the City's depository for health insurance. Commissioner Bennett stated GCG Financial is the consulting firm, which will provide a system of checks and balances for the City's health insurance.

It was moved by Commissioner Bennett, seconded by Commissioner Rogers that a Resolution (02-R-19) be passed designating Lake Forest Bank as the City's depository for its health insurance. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners DeTienne, aye; Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; Rogers, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried. Resolution passed.

CLEANING SERVICES/POLICE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

A memo (02-DOC-63) was received from Chief Malcolm, requesting permission to advertise for bids for cleaning service for the Police

Administration Building. Chief Malcolm also requested retaining the current cleaning firm, TLC Custom Cleaning, until after bids are opened.

It was moved by Commissioner DeTienne, seconded by Commissioner Bennett to grant permission to advertise for bids for cleaning services at the Police Administration Building, and to retain the cleaning firm of TLC Custom Cleaning until after bids are opened and approved. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners DeTienne, aye; Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; Rogers, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

STREET LIGHTS/2300 BLOCK OF ELIM AVE. ALLEY

A memo (02-DOC-64) was received from Chief Malcolm requesting permission to install two streetlights in the alley in the 2300 block of Elim Avenue. This area has experienced recent crime problems, and the lighting of the alley would help the situation. Commissioner Taylor recommended reviewing the street lighting policy as soon as possible.

It was moved by Commissioner DeTienne, seconded by Commissioner Rogers to approve the installation of two streetlights in the west alley of the 2300 block of Elim Avenue, as requested. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners DeTienne, aye; Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; Rogers, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

WASTE, RECYCLABLES & YARD WASTE COLLECTION

Commissioner Bennett stated negotiations have taken place with Onyx Waste Services for the City's waste, recyclables and yard waste collection agreement. Commissioner Bennett stated services would remain the same as in the current contract, with the addition of adding no cost service for certain City events. This would be a five-year agreement, with rates fixed for one year. Per this agreement, Commissioner DeTienne noted the contractor would provide backdoor service to disabled residents, who provide proof of disability and a doctor's statement that they are the only person occupying the residential unit. Commissioner DeTienne noted the charge for this service would be \$8.25 per month, stating he is opposed to this extra charge for disabled residents. Onyx representative David Ohlmacher recommended eliminating this charge for a maximum number of individuals, after which additional individuals would be charged the monthly fee. Commissioner Rogers recommended allowing the first eligible and qualified residents to receive this service at no charge.

It was moved by Commissioner Rogers, seconded by Commissioner Bennett to approve the Waste, Recyclables and Yard Waste Collection, Transportation and Management Agreement with Onyx Waste Services, Inc., amending Article III, Section 5.1, by deleting the sentence "The charge for backdoor service will be an additional \$8.25 per month". The vote on roll call was: Commissioners DeTienne, aye; Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; Rogers, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

STREET LIGHT/2602 33RD STREET

A memo (02-DOC-65) was received from Brian Usher, regarding a request for installation of streetlights at 2602 33rd Street. Mr. Usher stated the request does not meet the City's lighting policy, presenting the following alternatives:

- Citizen's Request: Installation of two lights on 33rd Street between Galilee and Lebanon Avenues, which doesn't meet the City's lighting policy, for a cost of \$2,932.00 plus annual power costs of \$177.60.
- Alternate #1: Installation of two lights at intersections of Carol Lane and Geneva Lane, which meets the City's lighting policy, for a cost of \$2,932.00 plus annual power costs of \$177.60.
- Alternate #2: Installation of three lights on 33rd Street, equally spaced between Galilee and Lebanon Avenues, which meets City's lighting policy, for a cost of \$4,398.00 plus annual power costs of \$266.40.

It was moved by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne to approve the installation of two streetlights at the intersections of Carol Lane and Geneva Lane, per Alternate #1. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners DeTienne, aye; Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; Rogers, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

ROAD IMPROVEMENTS/IDOT RESOLUTION

A memo (02-DOC-66) was received from Brian Usher, regarding the road improvement project. Mr. Usher stated it is necessary to adopt an Illinois Department of Transportation resolution, designating the intent to utilize MFT funds. This resolution is required in order for the project to go to bid. Mr. Usher noted this resolution must state the amount of the City's appropriated MFT funds, which will be utilized for this project.

It was moved by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Rogers that a Resolution (02-R-20) be passed stating the City of Zion's intent for improvements to be made to various streets in accordance with the Illinois Highway Code, utilizing MFT funds, which proposed improvements are to be re-paid with the proceeds from a bond issue, and to authorize Commissioner Bennett and Commissioner Taylor to meet with Brian Usher and Greg Schneider to determine the appropriated MFT funds to be utilized. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners DeTienne, aye; Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; Rogers, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried. Resolution passed.

TAB OF BIDS/ BITUMINOUS & CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS

A Tabulation of Bids (02-DOC-67) was received from Brian Usher, regarding the annual purchase of bituminous, construction and

maintenance materials. Mr. Usher recommended awarding contracts to the lowest responsible and responsive bidders as follows: Super Trucking, Inc. Topsoil, CA-6 gravel, sand backfill, #8 stone, traffic bond with fines Peter Baker & Sons Cold patch, class I surface asphalt, binder mix asphalt, UPM patch materials Harris Lubricants 30w motor oil, hydraulic fluid, 2 cycle oil, dex cool antifreeze Mid Town Petroleum Automatic transmission fluid, all purpose grease Lube Oils, Inc. SAE 10W30 motor oil, antifreeze, 90w gear lube

It was moved by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Bennett to award contracts for various bituminous, construction and maintenance materials, as recommended. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners DeTienne, aye; Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; Rogers, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

TAB OF BIDS/CONCRETE PROJECTS

A Tabulation of Bids (02-DOC-68) was received from Brian Usher, regarding various concrete projects for sidewalk and curb replacement. Mr. Usher recommended awarding the contract to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder, Whitney D. Miram Construction Co., for an estimated total amount of \$131,715.34.

It was moved by Commissioner Bennett, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne to award the contract for annual various concrete projects to Whitney D. Miram Construction Co. for an amount not to exceed \$131,715.34. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners DeTienne, aye; Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; Rogers, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- May 18 Free tire collection at Zion City Hall for Zion Citizens 8:00 - 10:00 am
- May 21 Zion Township Board Meeting and City Council Meeting
- May 28 Special City Council Meeting

CLOSED SESSION

It was moved by Commissioner Bennett, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne that the Council recess to Closed Session at 8:13 p.m. to discuss purchase of real estate, personnel and probable litigation. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners DeTienne, aye; Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; Rogers, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried. It was moved by Commissioner Rogers, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne to reconvene the Regular Council meeting at 9:43 p.m. with all members present. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners DeTienne, aye; Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; Rogers, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

ANNUAL WAGE INCREASES

Mayor Harrison stated wage increases for non-union employees have been discussed by the Council. These increases would include all non-union employees, with the exception of Department Heads.

It was moved by Commissioner Bennett, seconded by Commissioner Rogers to approve annual pay increases for non-union employees of 3.25%, including part-time employees and not including Department Heads. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners DeTienne, aye; Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; Rogers, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, it was moved by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne and unanimously approved the meeting be adjourned at 9:44 p.m. Motion carried.