Rev. Mayfield gave inspirational comments.
Mayor Harrison called the meeting to order.
On call of the roll the following answered present: Commissioners Monk, Rogers, Taylor, Bennett and Mayor Harrison.
Mayor Harrison led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

AGENDA CHANGES

Commissioner Rogers requested 1) adding to consider a resolution for IDFA financing for expansion of Rolling Hills Manor, item 9.g.; and 2) adding the discussion of real estate to Executive Session, item 13.

Commissioner Taylor requested 1) deleting a Consent Agenda payment to Michael Tienhaara in the amount of $1,707.00, item 6.e.; and 2) adding the discussion of employee negotiations to Executive Session, item 13.

Commissioner Bennett requested deleting to consider appointment to the Fire and Police Commission, item 9.b.

Mayor Harrison requested moving the Tree City USA presentation from item 5 to item 7.a. and moving resolutions, items 7.a. - 7.f. to item 5.

RESOLUTIONS OF COMMENDATION

It was moved by Commissioner Bennett, seconded by Commissioner Rogers that Resolutions of Commendation be passed as follows:

00-R-9 Deputy Chief Gary Thomas
00-R-10 Captain Michael Stried
00-R-11 Lieutenant Dale Colwell
00-R-12 Lieutenant Alex Dimitrijевич
00-R-13 Firefighter Robert Guerin
00-R-14 Firefighter William Haske
Resolutions were presented to these individuals for their actions, decisions and leadership during the mid-air collision incident, which took place on February 8, 2000.

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

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CONSENT AGENDA

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

a. MINUTES of a Regular Meeting and Executive Session held on March 21, 2000 at 7:00 P.M. and a Special Meeting and Executive Session held on March 29, 2000 at 12:03 P.M., with all members having previously received copies.


d. BILLS: Vouchers 71298 through 71543 drawn on the National City Bank, $1,344,885.85; First Midwest Bank, $84,095.47; Total: $1,428,981.32

e. PAYMENTS: Daniels, Mauro & Pinsel, legal services, $10,000.00; Sutter Architects, services rendered on Bicket Building at 27th Street and Sheridan Road, $3,000.00; Leech Associates Appraisal Service, Inc., services rendered at 2819 31st Street and 2201, 2207, 2213 Salem, $800.00

f. PROCLAMATION: Dr. Eugene P. King Day - April 8, 2000

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

TREE CITY USA

Chuck Gleason presented Mayor Harrison with the City of Zion’s 5th Year Tree City USA plaque and award. Credit was given to Verena Owen and Sandy deBruyn for helping to start and assist in this program. Public Works forestry employees will continue to maintain the program.

FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS
It was moved by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Monk that a Resolution (00-R-15) be passed creating a Zion City Commission, the Festival of Lights Commission. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Monk, aye; Rogers, aye; Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried. Resolution passed.

AMENDING PERSONNEL AUTHORIZATION

It was moved by Commissioner Monk, seconded by Commissioner Bennett that a Resolution (00-R-16) be passed amending the Personnel Authorization, deleting the position of Leadman in the Street Division of Public Works, and replacing this position with a Service Technician. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Monk, aye; Rogers, aye; Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried. Resolution passed.

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AUTHORIZING CONTRACT/POLICE BICYCLES

It was moved by Commissioner Bennett, seconded by Commissioner Rogers that an Ordinance (00-0-19) be passed authorizing a contract for the purchase of four Trek police bicycles with Zion Schwinn Cyclery at a cost not to exceed $3,653.40. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Monk, aye; Rogers, aye; Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried. Ordinance passed.

AUTHORIZING CONTRACT/INTOXIMETERS/POLICE DEPT.

It was moved by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Bennett that an Ordinance (00-0-20) be passed authorizing a contract for the purchase of six portable intoximeters with Intoximeters, Inc. for a total cost of $2,100.00. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Monk, aye; Rogers, aye; Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried. Ordinance passed.

AUTHORIZING CONTRACT/MOSQUITO CONTROL PROGRAM

It was moved by Commissioner Bennett, seconded by Commissioner Taylor that an Ordinance (00-0-21) be passed authorizing a contract for the 2000 Mosquito Control Program with Clarke Environmental Mosquito Management, Inc. at a cost not to exceed $7,300.00. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Monk, aye; Rogers, aye; Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried. Ordinance passed.
AUTHORIZING CONTRACT/INTERNET EQUIPMENT

It was moved by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Bennett that an Ordinance (00-0-22) be passed authorizing a contract for the purchase of T1 line equipment for Internet connection with AVENEW at a cost not to exceed $3,871.00. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Monk, aye; Rogers, aye; Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried. Ordinance passed.

AUTHORIZING CONTRACT/COMPUTER EQUIPMENT

It was moved by Commissioner Monk, seconded by Commissioner Taylor that an Ordinance (00-0-23) be passed authorizing a contract for the purchase of 10 personal computers with CTG, Inc. in the amount of $17,062.50; and 3 LaserJet printers and a digital camera with CDW in the amount of $4,359.00. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Monk, aye; Rogers, aye; Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried. Ordinance passed.

THE WOODS/PUD SPECIAL USE

It was moved by Commissioner Monk, seconded by Commissioner Bennett that an Ordinance (00-0-24) be passed amending The Woods PUD Special Use Ordinance 91-0-41, permitting construction of no more than 14 condominium units on Lots 1, 3 and 4. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Monk, aye; Rogers, aye; Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried. Ordinance passed.

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SALE OF BFI/SUPERIOR SERVICES

A memo (00-DOC-43) was received from Peter Cioni, considering approval of an agreement for the sale of the BFI Landfill to Superior Services, Inc. This agreement would comply with the commitments of the Host Agreement. SWALCO has reviewed this sale, and recommends approval of the assignment agreement. Questions were raised by the Council and addressed by Superior Services representatives Jim Lewis, Charles Murphy and Attorney Ann Swick. The BFI landfill was sited for 8.5 million tons. As more of the landfill opens, portions of the landfill have to be closed. Superior Services conducted extensive research prior to the purchase of this landfill. Superior would have to continue to provide financial assurances to the State. Per the five-year agreement, Superior would continue to monitor wetlands. Any and all waste must originate from the tri-state area. Transportation costs of hauling in waste from outside this area would be cost prohibitive. Superior has a permit for a methane
recapture system, but it is still in the planning stage. The merger between Superior Services and Allied Waste was closed on March 31, 2000. Should there be any need for litigation, such action could take place in the Lake County, Illinois courts. Verena Owen stated she would be willing to serve on any Superior Services liaison committee. Mayor Harrison noted that the parent company is ultimately the responsible party.

It was moved by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Bennett to approve for the consent and acceptance of the assignment of the Host City Agreement with Superior Zion Landfill, Inc. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Monk, aye; Rogers, aye; Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

LAKE COUNTY MUNICIPAL LEAGUE

It was moved by Commissioner Monk, seconded by Commissioner Taylor to approve the membership renewal with the Lake County Municipal League and to authorize payment in the amount of $1,884.61 for the 1999-2000 dues. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Monk, aye; Rogers, aye; Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

TAB OF BIDS/SEWER CAMERA

A Tabulation of Bids (00-DOC-44) was received from Chuck Gleason, regarding the purchase of a sewer camera and trailer. Each company was given the opportunity to demonstrate their equipment. Mr. Gleason stated the camera presented by Pear Point far out-performed the quality and accuracy of the other companies. Extensive sewer studies are expected in the next year. Mr. Gleason recommended awarding the bid to Pear Point in the amount of $104,972.00, including trade-in, due to the performance of their equipment.

It was moved by Commissioner Monk, seconded by Commissioner Taylor to waive bids and award the contract for the purchase of a sewer camera and trailer to Pear Point in the amount of $104,972.00, including trade-in, and for an ordinance to be prepared accordingly. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Monk, aye; Rogers, aye; Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

TRANSFER STATION SITING

Chuck Gleason stated the City is utilizing property at 29th Street and Damascus Avenue for temporary storage of brush, leaves, street sweepings and wood chips. In order to continue using this site, the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency requires the approval of an application for transfer station siting. Upon approval, a public hearing to consider the formal approval of the siting would need to be held no sooner than 90 days. Mr. Gleason requested approval of an application to IEPA, declaring
property at 29th Street and Damascus Avenue as a transfer station site, as well as, conducting a public hearing on July 5, 2000.

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It was moved by Commissioner Monk, seconded by Commissioner Rogers to approve submittal of an application to the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency for transfer station siting at 29th Street and Damascus Avenue, and for a public hearing to be conducted on July 5, 2000. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Monk, aye; Rogers, aye; Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

PURCHASE OF TENTS/ESDA

A memo (00-DOC-45) was received from Jack Diliberti, requesting permission to purchase three tents for ESDA. The purchase of two-10x10 ft. and one-10x20 ft. commercial grade tents would cost $1,749.00 from Elaine Martin Company. ESDA utilizes tents at various public events. The current tents have deteriorated, and are no longer usable. Money is available in the current budget for this purchase.

It was moved by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Monk to grant permission to purchase three tents for ESDA, as requested, with Elaine Martin Company for a total amount of $1,749.00. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Monk, aye; Rogers, aye; Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

BOND FINANCING/SLOVAK AMERICAN CHARITABLE ASSOCIATION

The Slovak American Charitable Association is constructing a 60 unit elderly living residential facility adjacent to Rolling Hills Nursing Home. Peter Cioni stated the Illinois Development Finance Authority has informed him that the financing of this construction would not compete with other requests for industrial developments, and is requesting that Resolution 00-R-8 be rescinded. The issuance of revenue bonds would not affect the volume cap allocation. Elizabeth Weber, IDFA bond counsel, stated the funds for this project would have to go to public market, and are exempt under Federal code.

It was moved by Commissioner Monk, seconded by Commissioner Taylor that a Resolution (00-R-17) be passed rescinding Resolution 00-R-8 and approving the issuance of revenue bonds by the Illinois Development Finance Authority on behalf of Slovak American Charitable Association. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Monk, aye; Rogers, aye; Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried. Resolution passed.
CITIZEN COMMENTS

Pete Zappa, Chamber of Commerce President, stated a Chamber luncheon would be held on Wednesday, April 19. The speaker will be discussing tax-exempt municipal bonds.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

April 8  Bike Auction
April 11  Budget Hearing
April 12  Budget Hearing
April 13  Budget Hearing, Chamber of Commerce Open House
April 18  City Council Meeting

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

It was moved by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Monk that the Council recess to Executive Session at 8:39 p.m. to discuss personnel compensation, employee negotiations and real estate. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Monk, aye; Rogers, aye; Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

The Council reconvened at 10:40 p.m. with all members present.

POLICE OFFICER VACANCY

It was moved by Commissioner Bennett, seconded by Commissioner Monk to grant permission to fill one police officer vacancy with the next eligible candidate from the Fire and Police Commission. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Monk, aye; Rogers, aye; Taylor, aye; Bennett, 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 Bennett, seconded by Commissioner Taylor and unanimously approved the meeting be adjourned at 10:41 p.m. Motion carried.