

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE ZION CITY COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY, APRIL 5, 2005, AT 7:05 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, ZION, ILLINOIS

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Mayor Harrison called the meeting to order.

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

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

AGENDA CHANGES

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

- Deleting item 6.l.
- Moving item 6.m. to item 6.bb.
- Moving item 6.p. to item 6.cc.

The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Bennett, aye; Flammini, aye; Taylor, aye; DeTienne, 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) **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** of a Workshop/Special Meeting held on March 15, 2005 at 5:20 P.M. and a Regular Meeting held on March 15, 2005 at 7:02 P.M. and approval but not release of Closed Session minutes of a meeting held on March 15, 2005 at 7:40 P.M., with all members having previously received copies.
- (b) **DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:** City Clerk's Monthly Report, March 2005
- (c) **BILLS:** Vouchers 89999 through 90117 drawn on National City Bank, \$725,511.48
- (d) **PAYMENTS:** Zion Benton Township High School, school resource officer, \$23,000.00; Municipal Software, Inc., software service agreement, \$6,485.00; Accurate Transmissions, Inc., transmission, \$3,214.00; Terracon Consultants, Inc., consulting services on former cookie and candy factory properties, \$33,288.80; West Side Tractor Sales, transmission, \$12,450.72; Icon Poly, Adopt-a-Bee Project bees, \$678.69; IBM Corporation, E-911 computer equipment & software, \$8,294.60; Christmas Designers, Inc., drive thru display, \$4,896.00; Holiday Designs, Inc., drive thru displays, \$9,000.00; Pro-Design, LLC, tapestry throws, \$1,950.00; Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc., annual continuation fee, \$4,030.00; Computer Help Key, computer consulting services, \$2,540.20; Paul Saydak, reimbursement for roof repairs at 2700 Sheridan Road, \$40,000.00
- (e) **PROCLAMATIONS:** Fair Housing Month, April 2005; Zion Child Abuse Prevention and Awareness Month, April 2005

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

JUBILEE DAYS FESTIVAL COMMISSION APPOINTMENT

A memo (05-DOC-37) was received from Judy Mackey, Secretary/Treasurer, Jubilee Days Festival Commission, requesting consideration for the appointment of Carla Villalobos to the Jubilee Days Commission.

It was moved by Commissioner DeTienne, seconded by Commissioner Bennett to approve the appointment of Carla Villalobos to the Jubilee Days Festival Commission. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Bennett, aye; Flammini, aye; Taylor, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

SUMMER INTERNS/BUILDING DEPARTMENT

John Jones requested permission to hire two temporary summer interns for the Building Department. Each intern would work for eight weeks at \$8.00 per hour. One intern would serve as a temporary replacement in the office, and one intern would help with city landscaping projects.

It was moved by Commissioner Flammini, seconded by Commissioner Taylor to grant permission to hire two temporary summer interns for the Building Department, as requested. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Bennett, aye; Flammini, aye; Taylor, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

LAKE COUNTY CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU

A memo (05-DOC-38) was received from Delaine Rogers, regarding the City's partnership with the Lake County Illinois Convention and Visitors Bureau (LCICVB). Maureen Riedy and Geoff Oman gave a presentation on the LCICVB and the benefits of being a Participating Community Partner. The city would be featured in the LCICVB maps, brochures, videos, web site, cable advertising, along with the travel-planning guide. Zion would receive referrals for development opportunities, as well as projects and events. The annual membership cost is \$10,000, which could be funded through the Cable Fund.

It was moved by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Flammini to approve membership with the Lake County Illinois Convention and Visitors Bureau as a Participating Community Partner for the annual cost of \$10,000, with funds to be taken from the Cable Fund. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Bennett, aye; Flammini, aye; Taylor, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

MAINE PLASTICS

A memo (05-DOC-39) was received from Delaine Rogers, considering terms for the relocation and expansion of Maine Plastics in Zion. Maine Plastics is interested in relocating their commercial recycling firm at Kenosha Road and Route 173. The project would involve more than \$5.3 million in new construction, and could eventually provide almost 200 jobs. Mitchell Miller, Managing Director, has requested the following terms:

1. Confirmation that the current zoning and proposed design comply with existing city ordinances, including the proposed screened outside storage. City staff concurs with this request.
2. Confirmation that the city would not object to a parcel subdivision of the project for tax assessment purposes. The Township Assessor has agreed that this request would not be a problem.
3. Confirmation that the city would agree to a cap on city permits, inspections and tap on fees at \$50,000. The company is not requesting a waiver. City staff agrees that this cap would meet the city's expenses, including tap on fees.

It was moved by Commissioner Bennett, seconded by Commissioner Flammini to approve the terms for the relocation and expansion of Maine Plastics, as presented. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Bennett, aye; Flammini, aye; Taylor, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

GCG FINANCIAL CONSULTANTS/HEALTH INSURANCE

Commissioner Bennett stated the Plan Consultant and Accounting Administration Agreement renewal was received from GCG Financial, Inc. for the period of May 1, 2005 through April 30, 2006. Commissioner Bennett stated he has been pleased with the services provided by GCG Financial, consultants for the City's health insurance. The cost for this renewal includes a one-time fee of \$1,000 plus \$2,324.44 per month.

It was moved by Commissioner Bennett, seconded by Commissioner Taylor to approve the renewal of the Plan Consultant and Accounting Administration Agreement with GCG Financial, Inc. for the City's health insurance for the period of May 1, 2005 through April 30, 2006, authorizing a one-time fee of \$1,000 plus monthly payments in the amount of \$2,324.44. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Bennett, aye; Flammini, aye; Taylor, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

TELEPHONE SYSTEM & EQUIPMENT

A memo (05-DOC-40) was received from Clerk Mackey, requesting approval of a contract for a consultant regarding the review of the telephone system and equipment. Staff interviewed Burke Telecom Group, Inc. and recommends contracting with this firm at a cost not to exceed \$9,000. Funds would be expended from the Public Affairs Consultant line item.

It was moved by Commissioner DeTienne, seconded by Commissioner Bennett to approve a contract with Burke Telecom Group, Inc. for the purpose of reviewing the telephone system and equipment at a cost not to exceed \$9,000. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Bennett, aye; Flammini, aye; Taylor, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

REBUILDING TOGETHER PROGRAM

A letter (05-DOC-41) was received from Rebuilding Together, formerly known as Christmas in April, requesting a \$3,000 donation for the 2005 Rebuilding Together Program. This year's event will be held on Saturday, April 30. This is the sixth year Zion has been involved in this program. In the past the City donated \$3,000 for this project.

It was moved by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne to approve a \$3,000 donation for the 2005 National Rebuilding Together Day. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Bennett, aye; Flammini, pass; Taylor, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

TAB OF BIDS/DRY SUITS & DIVE MASKS/FIRE/RESCUE DIVE TEAM

A Tabulation of Bids (05-DOC-42) was received from Chief LaBelle for the purchase of six dry suits and six dive masks for the Fire/Rescue Dive Team. Chief LaBelle recommended awarding the contract to the lowest bidder, Frogg Pond Dive Shop, for the total amount of \$15,685.20.

It was moved by Commissioner DeTienne, seconded by Commissioner Taylor to award the contract for the purchase of six dry suits and six dive masks for the Fire/Rescue Department to Frogg Pond Dive Shop for a total cost of \$15,685.20. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Bennett, aye; Flammini, aye; Taylor, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

ZION LIQUOR CONTROL ORDINANCE

The Liquor Control Commission has unanimously recommended that the City Council amend the Liquor Control Ordinance, creating an additional Class A Liquor License. The Class A license authorizes the retail sale of alcoholic liquor in restaurants. There is currently one Class A liquor license held by Applebees Restaurant. Mayor Harrison stated, if approved, this would be the first additional license since the passage of the referendum. Mayor Harrison stated a fine dining establishment is interested in locating in Zion, and the restaurant would have to meet all criteria, standards and regulations.

It was moved by Commissioner Flammini, seconded by Commissioner Taylor that an Ordinance (05-0-4) be passed, amending the Zion Liquor Control Ordinance, Section 56-58, creating an additional Class A Liquor License. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Bennett, aye; Flammini, aye; Taylor, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried. Ordinance passed.

PURCHASE OF VEHICLE/PUBLIC WORKS

A memo (05-DOC-43) was received from Brian Usher requesting approval to purchase one water service vehicle for the Public Works Department through the State of Illinois Joint Purchase Program. This Ford F-250 with service body would replace a truck involved in an accident and declared a total loss. The vehicle would be purchased from Bob Ridings, Inc. at a cost not to exceed \$25,064. The cost of the vehicle would be placed in the 2005/06 budget.

It was moved by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Bennett to approve the purchase of one Ford F-250 water service vehicle for the Public Works Department from Bob Ridings, Inc. at a cost not to exceed \$25,064. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Bennett, aye; Flammini, aye; Taylor, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

UNDERGROUND PIPE LOCATOR/PUBLIC WORKS

A memo (05-DOC-44) was received from Brian Usher, requesting permission to waive bids and purchase an underground pipe locator for Public Works. Three quotes were received for the Seek Tech S6-EZ Locator, with the lowest quote from USA Bluebook in the amount of \$3,499.44.

It was moved by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne to grant permission to waive bids and purchase a Seek Tech S6-EZ underground pipe locator from USA Bluebook at a cost not to exceed \$3,500. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Bennett, aye; Flammini, aye; Taylor, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

2005 MFT ENGINEERING SERVICES

A memo (05-DOC-45) was received from Brian Usher, regarding proposed engineering services for the 2005 MFT Street Rehabilitation Project. Mr. Usher recommended approving a work order with Baxter & Woodman Consulting Engineers for the preparation of paving specifications and project construction supervision for an amount not to exceed \$101,750.

It was moved by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne to approve the engineering services work order with Baxter & Woodman Consulting Engineers for the 2005 MFT Street Rehabilitation Project in an amount not to exceed \$101,750. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Bennett, aye; Flammini, aye; Taylor, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

2107 34th STREET/MINOR SUBDIVISION

John Jones stated a request has been received for a minor subdivision of property at 2107 34th Street, however, the property owner is not present at this time to answer questions.

It was moved by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne to table the request for a minor subdivision of 2107 34th Street, until such time as the property owner is present. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Bennett, aye; Flammini, aye; Taylor, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

SALE OF 2655 SHERIDAN ROAD

Delaine Rogers stated a draft agreement has been proposed for the sale of 2655 Sheridan Road, formerly known as the Salvation Army building. Ms. Rogers recommended directing legal counsel to proceed with the sale of 2655 Sheridan Road.

It was moved by Commissioner Flammini, seconded by Commissioner Bennett to direct the city attorney to proceed with the sale of 2655 Sheridan Road. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Bennett, aye; Flammini, aye; Taylor, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

SALE OF 2647 SHERIDAN ROAD

Delaine Rogers stated a draft agreement has been proposed for the sale of 2647 Sheridan Road, formerly known as Ehler's Bowling Lanes. Ms. Rogers recommended directing legal counsel to proceed with the sale of 2647 Sheridan Road.

It was moved by Commissioner Flammini, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne to direct the city attorney to proceed with the sale of 2647 Sheridan Road. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Bennett, aye; Flammini, aye; Taylor, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Harrison announced that the American Public Works Association has selected Brian Usher as one of the 2005 Top 10 Public Works Leaders of the Year. Mr. Usher will be recognized at a luncheon held on June 16.

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| April 8 | Zion-Benton Exchange Club Spaghetti Supper |
| April 9 | Adopt a Bee Project Adoption Day |
| April 12 | Annual Township Meeting |
| April 13 | Annual Coalition for Healthy Communities Awards Banquet |
| April 19 | Township Public Hearing |
| April 19 | Township Board Meeting |
| April 19 | City Council Meeting |
| May 7 | Open House/Fundraiser for One Safe Place |

CLOSED SESSION

It was moved by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne that the Council recess to Closed Session at 8:15 p.m. to discuss personnel and probable and pending litigation. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Bennett, aye; Flammini, aye; Taylor, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner DeTienne, seconded by Commissioner Bennett to reconvene the Regular Council meeting at 8:48 p.m. with all members present. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Bennett, aye; Flammini, aye; Taylor, aye; DeTienne, 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 Flammini, seconded by Commissioner Taylor and unanimously approved the meeting be adjourned at 8:48 p.m. Motion carried.

City Clerk

Approved April 19, 2005