Mayor Harrison called the meeting to order.

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

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

**AGENDA CHANGES**

There were no agenda changes.

**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 held on March 16, 2006 at 4:07 p.m. and a Regular Meeting held on March 21, 2006 at 7:01 p.m. and approval but not release of Closed Session Minutes of a meeting held on March 21, 2006 at 8:14 p.m.

(b) **DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:** City Clerk’s Monthly Report, March 2006; Public Works Monthly Report, February 2006

(c) **BILLS:** Vouchers 93505 through 93632 drawn on National City Bank, $703,036.81

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

**AMENDING ZION MUNICIPAL CODE/WINDOW SCREENING**

It was moved by Commissioner Bennett, seconded by Commissioner Flammini that an Ordinance (06-O-24) be passed amending Zion Municipal Code Section 10-177(4) regarding window-screening requirements. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners DeTienne, aye; Bennett, aye; Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried. Ordinance passed.

**ISSUANCE OF BONDS/WATERWORKS & SEWERAGE SYSTEM**

It was moved by Commissioner Bennett, seconded by Commissioner Taylor that an Ordinance (06-O-25) be passed authorizing and providing for the issuance of $2,480,000 General Obligation Bonds (Waterworks and Sewerage System Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2006, of the City of Zion, Lake County, Illinois, for the purpose of defraying the cost of refunding certain previously issued General Obligation Bonds (Waterworks and Sewerage System Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2001, of the City, prescribing the details of said bonds and providing for collection, segregation and application of the waterworks and sewerage system revenues.
The vote on roll call was: Commissioners DeTienne, aye; Bennett, aye; Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried. Ordinance passed.

AGREEMENT FOR LASER PRINTER MAINTENANCE/GENESIS TECHNOLOGIES

A memo (06-DOC-37) was received from Larry Pannell, recommending that the City enter into a one-year no cost contract with Genesis Technologies for a preventative maintenance program for all laser printers owned by the City. Maintenance will be performed twice a year. The City’s contractual obligation is to purchase refurbished printer cartridges from Genesis on an “as needed” basis.

It was moved by Commissioner Bennett, seconded by Commissioner Taylor to approve a one-year no cost contract with Genesis Technologies for a laser printer preventive maintenance program. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners DeTienne, aye; Bennett, aye; Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

TABULATION OF BIDS/PUMPER ENGINE

A Tabulation of Bids (06-DOC-38) was received from Chief LaBelle for a heavy-duty rescue pumper engine for the Fire/Rescue Department. Chief LaBelle recommended awarding the contract to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder, Pierce Manufacturing, Inc. represented by Global Emergency Products, Inc., for a total amount of $543,773, with a prepayment of $150,000 to be paid in the current budget year and the balance being paid from next year’s budget.

It was moved by Commissioner DeTienne, seconded by Commissioner Bennett, to award the contract for the purchase of a heavy-duty rescue pumper from Pierce Manufacturing, Inc. represented by Global Emergency Products, Inc., for a total amount not to exceed $543,773, with a prepayment of $150,000 to be paid in the current budget year and the balance being paid from next year’s budget. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners DeTienne, aye; Bennett, aye; Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

GYPSY MOTH TREATMENT PROGRAM

A memo (06-DOC-39) was received from Brian Usher requesting permission to waive bids and award a contact to Hendrickson Flying Service, Inc. for the aerial spraying of gypsy moth larva. This firm has done the spraying for the past two years and the number of moths has been greatly reduced. If there is no further infestation, this program should be able to be scaled back to a maintenance level in 2007. Two applications are required to achieve maximum effectiveness. The cost per helicopter application is $39.00 per acre. 323 acres are in need of treatment, generally east of Emmaus Avenue between 17th and 33rd Streets. The cost will not exceed $30,000.

It was moved by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Flammini to waive bids and award a contact to Hendrickson Flying Service, Inc. for the aerial spraying of gypsy moth larva at a total cost not to exceed $30,000. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners DeTienne, aye; Bennett, aye; Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.
MINIMUM HOUSING REQUIREMENTS

A memo (06-DOC-40) was received from John Jones, regarding amending minimum housing requirements. Mr. Jones stated that City staff further reviewed the masonry issue on the front or entrance of a home. In the proposed amendment to Zion Municipal Code Section 10-49, “Minimum Standards”, (5) “Anti-Monotony Regulations”, the addition of (minimum) half coverage of brick/masonry was eliminated. Under (6)(a) “Exterior Appearance”, the proposed amendment was changed to “there shall be on any wall that faces the front street right of way, masonry finish that is equal to 50% of the wall” and “products that are laminated onto a substrate, cast in place concrete and eight inch cement block units shall not be considered as satisfying this requirement”.

It was moved by Commissioner Flammini, seconded by Commissioner Taylor to approve the proposed amendments to Zion Municipal Code Section 10-49 “Minimum Standards” (5) Anti-Monotony Regulations and (6)(a) Exterior Appearance, as presented, and for an ordinance to be prepared accordingly. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners DeTienne, aye; Bennett, aye; Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

April 14  City Offices Closed for Holiday
April 18  6:30 p.m.  Next Zion Township Board Meeting
April 18  7:00 p.m.  Next regular City Council Meeting
April 22  5:30 p.m. Social Hour & Silent Auction of Bees
          7:00 p.m. Dinner  Bumble Bee Ball at IL Beach Resort & Conference Center

CLOSED SESSION

It was moved by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Bennett that the Council recess to Closed Session at 7:18 p.m. to discuss personnel, purchase and sale of real estate, and probable and pending litigation. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners DeTienne, aye; Bennett, aye; Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner DeTienne, seconded by Commissioner Bennett to reconvene the Regular Council meeting at 7:48 p.m. with all members present. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners DeTienne, aye; Bennett, aye; Taylor, aye; Flammini, 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 7:48 p.m. Motion carried.

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Deputy City Clerk