

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE ZION CITY COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2006, AT 7:02 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 Taylor, Bennett, DeTienne, Flammini and Mayor Harrison.

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

AGENDA CHANGES

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

- Correcting the meeting date in the agenda heading from September 15, 2006 to September 5, 2006
- Moving Item 9f to Item 9aa

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Commissioner Bennett, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne, to approve the minutes of a regular meeting of the City Council held on August 1, 2006 at 7:01 p.m., with all members having previously received copies.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Commissioner Bennett, seconded by Commissioner Flammini, to approve the minutes of a regular meeting of the City Council held on August 15, 2006 at 7:00 p.m., and to approve but not release the minutes of a Closed Session held on August 15, 2006 at 7:37 p.m., with all members having previously received copies.

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

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- (a) **DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:** Detailed Balance Sheet and Detailed Revenue & Expense Report, period ending July 31, 2006; City Clerk's Monthly Report, August 2006; Accounts & Finance Department Monthly Report, July 2006
- (b) **BILLS:** Vouchers 95100 through 95278 drawn on National City Bank, \$1,546,285.20

- (c) **PROCLAMATIONS:** “International Hispanic/Latino Mental Health Week” – October 1-7, 2006
- (d) **RECEIVE & PLACE ON FILE:** City of Zion Audit for May 1, 2004 – April 30, 2005

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

RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION/”BEE-PRENTICE CHALLENGE TEAM”

Mayor Harrison presented Resolutions of Commendation to Ashley Thomas, Andrew Duncan, Shanta Barnes, Aisha Khan, Edward Avila, and Max Davern commending them for their participation in the 2006 Bee-Prentice Program. A plaque was presented to the students for display at Zion Benton Township High School. Aisha Khan was recognized as the \$5,000 Bee-Prentice Scholarship Winner.

It was moved by Commissioner Bennett, seconded by Commissioner Taylor that a Resolution (06-R-16) be passed commending the participants of the 2006 Bee-Prentice Program. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; DeTienne, aye; Flammini, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried. Resolution passed.

ADOPTION OF LAKE COUNTY WATERSHED DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE

It was moved by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Bennett that an Ordinance (06-0-41) be passed adopting by reference the Lake County Watershed Development Ordinance. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; DeTienne, aye; Flammini, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried. Ordinance passed.

SPECIAL USE PERMIT GRANTED/BEREAN FUNDAMENTALIST BAPTIST CHURCH

It was moved by Commissioner Flammini, seconded by Commissioner Bennett that an Ordinance (06-0-42) be passed granting a Special Use Permit for the construction and operation of a church at the northeast corner of 29th Street and Lewis Avenue. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; DeTienne, aye; Flammini, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried. Ordinance passed.

RAFFLE LICENSE/CHICAGO NUMISMATIC FOUNDATION

An application for a license to conduct a raffle was received from the Chicago Numismatic Foundation. This non-profit organization is raising funds to purchase a wheelchair accessible vehicle for North Shore Taxi in Zion for use by public aid transportation cardholders. It will serve Zion residents.

It was moved by Commissioner Bennett, seconded by Commissioner Flammini to approve the application for a raffle license for the Chicago Numismatic Foundation and to waive the \$10.00 raffle license application fee. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; DeTienne, aye; Flammini, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

THUNDERBIRD SUBDIVISION

The Planning and Zoning Commission considered a request for preliminary approval of the redesign of the thoroughfare in the Thunderbird Subdivision at 29th Street and Lewis Avenue, as petitioned by Jim Funderburk – Zoning Docket 04-Z-19. The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval. The original design was approved in 2004. The number of buildings and units has remained the same and variances and other requests remain unchanged.

It was moved by Commissioner Flammini, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne to approve the redesign of the thoroughfare in Thunderbird Subdivision as presented. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; DeTienne, aye; Flammini, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

ACCIDENT REVIEW BOARD/APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRPERSON

It was moved by Commissioner DeTienne, seconded by Commissioner Flammini to appoint Fire/Rescue Lieutenant Al Town as Chairperson of the Accident Review Board. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; DeTienne, aye; Flammini, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

PART-TIME CLERICAL ASSISTANT/POLICE DEPARTMENT

A memo (06-DOC-100) was received from Chief Malcolm requesting permission to add one part-time clerical assistant in the Police Department to assist the Administrative Assistant to the Police Chief. Funding for the position was allocated in the 2006 budget.

It was moved by Commissioner DeTienne, seconded by Commissioner Taylor, to approve the addition of one part-time clerical assistant in the Police Department. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; DeTienne, aye; Flammini, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

COMMUNITY SERVICE OFFICER POSITION

A memo (06-DOC-101) was received from Chief Malcolm requesting permission to post and advertise for a full-time Community Service Officer to replace CSO Jim Swalley who is resigning due to health issues.

It was moved by Commissioner DeTienne, seconded by Commissioner Taylor to approve posting and advertising for one full-time Community Service Officer in the Police Department. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; DeTienne, aye; Flammini, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING/AMERICAN RED CROSS

A letter (06-DOC-102) was received from the American Red Cross, and presented by Chief LaBelle, requesting that the City Council consider signing a Memorandum of Understanding with the American Red Cross officially recognizing the joint responsibility of both parties to keep the public informed on restoration and relief activities and available relief assistance in disaster situations.

It was moved by Commissioner DeTienne, seconded by Commissioner Bennett to approve the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding with the American Red Cross. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; DeTienne, aye; Flammini, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

ECONOMIC INCENTIVE/CENNI-AMBROSE PROJECT

A memo (06-DOC-103) was received from Delaine Rogers requesting partial reimbursement be made to the owners of 2240-2252 Sheridan Road, Lance Cenni and Jim Ambrose, as previously agreed, in the amount of \$30,000. They have been aggressively remodeling the building having updated architecture, signage, and landscaping. Various existing code violations have been corrected. Private investment in the project exceeds \$1.2 million.

It was moved by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Flammini to approve partial reimbursement to the owners of 2240-2252 Sheridan Road, Lance Cenni and Jim Ambrose, in the amount of \$30,000. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; DeTienne, aye; Flammini, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Mayor Harrison stated that the absence of “Citizen Comments” on regular City Council meeting agendas has been addressed.

During the first meeting of each month, from 6:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., City Council members, who choose to do so, will be available in the Council Chambers to receive citizen comments. This citizen comment period will not delay the start of or disrupt the regularly scheduled City Council meeting. Mayor Harrison encouraged the discussion of issues of concern, and stated that citizens who need to discuss an issue pertinent to a specific department must speak to the Department Head or Commissioner of that department. Commissioners have absolute authority over their area of responsibility. If an issue must be presented to the entire Council, citizens must adhere to a 3-minute time limit.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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| Every Thursday through October 12 | Farmer’s Market with
September 7 “Day at the Beach”
September 14 “Ridin’ the Rails”
September 21 “Garden Party” |
| September 7 7:00 p.m. | Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting |
| September 9 | Zion Historical Society “Trash to Treasure” Community
Lawn Sale Fundraiser |
| September 19 6:30 p.m. | Next Zion Township Board Meeting |
| September 19 7:00 p.m. | Next regular City Council Meeting |
| September 22 & 23 | Kiwanis “Peanut Days” |

Mayor Harrison thanked ESDA for their help with the Jubilee Days Festival. Delaine Rogers thanked ESDA for their help with Market Days.

Mayor Harrison announced that Lisa Grogg was the latest “Trolleyopoly” winner.

CLOSED SESSION

It was moved by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne that the Council recess to Closed Session at 7:48 p.m. to discuss personnel, collective bargaining, purchase and sale of real estate, and probable and pending litigation. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; DeTienne, aye; Flammini, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Flammini, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne to reconvene the Regular Council meeting at 9:30 p.m. with same members present. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Bennett, aye; DeTienne, 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 Flammini, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne and unanimously approved the meeting be adjourned at 9:31 p.m. Motion carried.

Deputy City Clerk

Approved September 19, 2006