MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE ZION CITY COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 5, 2008, AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, ZION, ILLINOIS

Mayor Pro-Tem Bennett called the meeting to order.

On call of the roll the following answered present: Commissioners Taylor, Flammini, DeTienne and Mayor Pro-Tem Bennett. Mayor Harrison was absent.

Mayor Pro-Tem Bennett led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**AGENDA CHANGES**

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

- Deleting request for variance regarding nonconforming uses at 2900 Ezra Avenue, item 8.d.

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

**BEE PRENTICE SCHOLARSHIP**

Delaine Rogers announced the 2007 Bee-Prentice Challenge Winner, Emmanuel McNeeley. Mr. McNeeley will be attending the University of Wisconsin Parkside, and his scholarship award of $5,000 will be sent to the school. Mr. McNeeley was congratulated on his accomplishments, and wished the best in his future endeavors.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

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

(a) **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** of a Regular Meeting held on July 15, 2008 at 7:04 P.M. and approval but not release of Closed Session minutes of a meeting held on July 15, 2008 at 8:15 P.M., with all members having previously received copies.

(b) **DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS**: City Clerk’s Monthly Report, July 2008

(c) **BILLS**: Vouchers 102017 through 102254 drawn on National City Bank, $2,197,053.77

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

**RESIDENTIAL DENSITY REQUIREMENTS**

It was moved by Commissioner Flammini, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne that an Ordinance (08-0-41) be passed amending the Municipal Code of the City of Zion, as amended, Zoning Section 102-32(b) regarding residential zoning district density requirements. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Pro-Tem Bennett, aye. Motion carried. Ordinance passed.
TELECOMMUNICATOR/POLICE DEPT.

Chief Booth requested permission to post and advertise for the hiring of one full-time Telecommunicator, in order to fill a vacant position.

It was moved by Commissioner DeTienne, seconded by Commissioner Taylor to grant permission to post and advertise for the hiring of one full-time Telecommunicator in the Police Department. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Pro-Tem Bennett, aye. Motion carried.

MOSQUITO CONTROL PROGRAM

A memo (08-DOC-53) was received from Clerk Mackey recommending the approval of the 2008 Mosquito Control Program as follows:

- Treatment of catch basins - $15,399.50
- 4 citywide misting treatments @$3,582.10 each for a total of $14,328.40
- 3 treatments of downtown area and Shiloh Park @$300 each for a total of $900
- Total Mosquito Control Program - $30,627.90

Services would be conducted by Clarke Environmental Mosquito Management. Clerk Mackey recommended the mosquito control program for a total cost not to exceed $31,000. Mayor Pro-Tem Bennett stated the treatment of catch basins is not very effective, and recommended eliminating this expense next year. Commissioner Taylor stated he believes catch basin treatments are more effective than spraying treatments.

It was moved by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne to award the contract for the 2008 Mosquito Control Program to Clarke Environmental Mosquito Management for a total amount not to exceed $31,000.00, with services as recommended. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Pro-Tem Bennett, aye. Motion carried.

REZONING/101 GREEN BAY ROAD

The Planning and Zoning Commission considered a zoning change from Residential (R-30) to Highway Business (HB) for 101 Green Bay Road, as petitioned by Charles and Mary Goodwin – Zoning Docket 08-Z-8. The Planning/Zoning Commission recommended approval. This parcel has an existing snowmobile repair business, and this zoning change would permit the business to continue as a legal conforming use.

It was moved by Commissioner Flammini, seconded by Commissioner Taylor to approve rezoning 101 Green Bay Road from Residential (R-30) to Highway Business (HB), as requested, and for an ordinance to be prepared accordingly. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Pro-Tem Bennett, aye. Motion carried.

WILSON COURT STORM SEWER PROJECT

A memo (08-DOC-54) was received from Ron Colangelo regarding a storm sewer design for the 1500 block of Wilson Court. Currently no storm sewer exists on this block. Two quotes have been received for this work, as it would be cost prohibitive to prepare bid documents and specifications. Mr. Colangelo recommended waiving bids and awarding a contract for this project to Richard’s Excavating of Zion in the amount of $16,036. Commissioner Flammini questioned the reference in the quote, stating it doesn’t include the backfill and paving. Mr. Colangelo stated Public Works would be responsible for the paving.

It was moved by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Flammini to waive bids and award a contract for the Wilson Court Storm Sewer Project to Richard’s Excavating of Zion in the amount of $16,036. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Pro-Tem Bennett, aye. Motion carried.
NO PARKING SIGNS/ELMWOOD SCHOOL

A memo (08-DOC-55) was received from Ron Colangelo, recommending that signs for parking restrictions be installed near Elmwood School during school days to help eliminate traffic congestion.

“No Parking” restrictions would be from Monday through Friday between the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. for:

- South side of the 1800 block of 31st Street
- South side of the 1900 block of 31st Street
- West side of the 3100 block of Ezra Avenue

Mr. Colangelo stated the request for changing a block to a one-way street has been withdrawn. Commissioner DeTienne asked if the Police Chief is aware of this proposal. Chief Booth stated the traffic around Elmwood School has been an ongoing problem for many years, noting he supports these parking restrictions.

It was moved by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Flammini to approve the installation of “No Parking” signs near Elmwood School, as recommended, and for an ordinance to be prepared accordingly. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Pro-Tem Bennett, aye. Motion carried.

TAB OF BIDS/2008 SIDEWALK PROGRAM

A Tabulation of Bids (08-DOC-56) was received from Ron Colangelo, regarding the 2008 Sidewalk Program. Mr. Colangelo recommended awarding the contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, D’Land Construction, for an amount not to exceed the budgeted amount of $100,000. Bids were submitted in unit prices, so quantities can be adjusted so as not to exceed the budget.

It was moved by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Flammini to award the contract for the 2008 Sidewalk Program to D’Land Construction for an amount not to exceed $100,000. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Pro-Tem Bennett, aye. Motion carried.

ZION MARKET DAYS

A memo (08-DOC-57) was received from Delaine Rogers, requesting the temporary road closure of the south side of the 1100 block of Shiloh Blvd. on August 28. This closure, from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm, would accommodate the 3rd Annual Chamber Classic Golf Cart Races, which are held in conjunction with the Farmer’s Market.

It was moved by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne to approve the temporary closure of the south side of the 1100 block of Shiloh Blvd. on August 28, as requested. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Pro-Tem Bennett, aye. Motion carried.

PAVING PROJECT/3000 BLOCK OF SHERIDAN ROAD

A memo (08-DOC-58) was received from Delaine Rogers, considering a paving and seal-coating project for the frontage road in the 3000 block of Sheridan Road. New businesses have recently located in this block. The majority of the businesses in the east 3000 block of Sheridan Road are in the process of seal coating or paving the frontage road along Sheridan Road with the exception of the Printing Museum. Ms. Rogers recommended working with the on-site contractor, paving this section of the frontage road, in order to complete the project. The total cost of this improvement would be $8,856 through Auto Zone’s contractor, Cornerstone Commercial Contractors, Inc. Ms. Rogers stated it was the consensus of TIF Review Board to support a TIF Grant for this improvement.
It was moved by Commissioner Flammini, seconded by Commissioner Taylor to support a TIF Grant for the paving improvement to a section of the frontage road in the 3000 block of Sheridan Road, as presented, in an amount not to exceed $8,856. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Pro-Tem Bennett, aye. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

August 7  Zion Market Days “Marina Days”
August 8  30th Anniversary celebration at Rolling Hills Manor
August 14  Zion Market Days “Mini Ravinia Music Festival”
August 15  Coalition for Healthy Communities Caddie Classic Golf Outing
August 17  3rd Annual Purple Heart Run; through Zion at approximately 4:00 p.m.
August 19  Town Board Meeting at 6:30 P.M.
August 19  City Council Meeting at 7:00 P.M.

Commissioner DeTienne presented a letter from the Stonebridge Crossing Homeowners Association, thanking the Fire/Rescue Department for their presentation and participation in the Homeowners Association’s block party. Commissioner DeTienne thanked the Firefighters and the Fire/Rescue Department for their involvement.

Commissioner DeTienne stated he was upset by an article, which appeared in the News Sun comparing Zion’s economic development with alcohol consumption. Commissioner DeTienne stated, and the Council agreed, that the photograph and article were done in poor taste

CLOSED SESSION

It was moved by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Flammini that the Council recess to Closed Session at 7:37 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; Flammini, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Pro-Tem Bennett, aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Flammini, seconded by Commissioner Taylor to reconvene the Regular Council meeting at 9:06 p.m. with same members present. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Pro-Tem Bennett, 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 Flammini and unanimously approved the meeting be adjourned at 9:06 p.m. Motion carried.

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City Clerk

Approved August 19, 2008