MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE ZION CITY COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2008, AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, ZION, ILLINOIS

Mayor Harrison called the meeting to order.

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

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

AGENDA CHANGES

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

- Deleting to consider amending Municipal Code, Section 90-139, regarding prohibited parking, item 7.c.

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

CONSENT AGENDA

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

(a) APPROVAL OF MINUTES of a Regular Meeting held on August 19, 2008 at 7:07 P.M. and approval but not release of Closed Session minutes of a meeting held on August 19, 2008 at 8:48 P.M., with all members having previously received copies.

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

(c) BILLS: Vouchers 102391 through 102541 drawn on National City Bank, $1,013,949.91

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

AMENDING MUNICIPAL CODE/MOTORCYCLE & SCOOTER SALES & SERVICE

It was moved by Commissioner Flammini, seconded by Commissioner Bennett that an Ordinance (08-0-46) be passed amending the Municipal Code of the City of Zion, as amended, Section 102-60(a)(2) allowing for motorcycle and scooter sales and service establishments in the Highway Business District. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Bennett, aye; Taylor, aye; DeTienne, aye; Flammini, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried. Ordinance passed.

AMENDING MUNICIPAL CODE/SOLICITORS & SALE OF MERCHANDISE

It was moved by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne that an Ordinance (08-0-47) be passed amending the Municipal Code of the City of Zion, as amended, Section 14-47, deleting a reference to the sale of goods or merchandise from vehicles. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Bennett, aye; Taylor, aye; DeTienne, aye; Flammini, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried. Ordinance passed.
AMENDING MUNICIPAL CODE/TAXICAB & LIVERY VEHICLE LICENSING

It was moved by Commissioner Flammini, seconded by Commissioner Taylor that an Ordinance (08-0-48) be passed amending the Municipal Code of the City of Zion, as amended, Section 14-421 through 14-463, adding public livery vehicles to licensing procedures. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Bennett, aye; Taylor, aye; DeTienne, aye; Flammini, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried. Ordinance passed.

AMENDING MUNICIPAL CODE/SOUND AMPLIFIER LICENSING

It was moved by Commissioner Bennett, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne that an Ordinance (08-0-49) be passed amending the Municipal Code of the City of Zion, as amended, Section 30-61, regarding sound amplifier licensing. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Bennett, aye; Taylor, aye; DeTienne, aye; Flammini, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried. Ordinance passed.

TAB OF BIDS/PARKWAY TREE PLANTING

A Tabulation of Bids (08-DOC-64) was received from Ron Colangelo for the purchase and planting of parkway trees at various locations throughout the City. Mr. Colangelo recommended awarding the contract to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder, Arthur Weiler, Inc., who met all specifications, for a total of $34,800.

It was moved by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Flammini to award the contract for the purchase and planting of 2008 parkway trees to Arthur Weiler, Inc. for a total amount of $34,800. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Bennett, aye; Taylor, aye; DeTienne, aye; Flammini, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

RECYCLING PROGRAM

A memo (08-DOC-65) was received from John Jones, regarding a proposal from Veolia for a recycling program. Veolia proposes to supply 65-gallon recycling carts to residents with two possible options:
1. Weekly pickup at an increased rate of $1.64 per unit per month, or
2. Every other week pickup at the current rate per month.

Veolia would deliver and retain ownership of the new 65-gallon containers. Mr. Jones questioned the use of existing containers, owned by the City and residents, as well as the cost for the additional containers. Mr. Jones noted the present containers do present problems with windblown debris. Commissioner Flammini stated pickup would be the same day of the week as the current program, noting Veolia is asking for a 2-year contract extension. Commissioner Bennett questioned the need for the large 65-gallon containers. Commissioner Flammini stated there have been resident requests for the larger, wheeled carts. It has been Veolia’s experience that people recycle more with the larger containers. Mayor Harrison noted this program does not allow a choice of containers, in that it requires 100% participation with the larger carts. Commissioner DeTienne stated Veolia makes a considerable amount of money from the City’s recycling efforts. Commissioner Bennett noted recycling saves landfill space. Mayor Harrison stated there should be a choice of the size of containers, as senior citizens have difficulty moving the larger containers to the front of their homes. Commissioner Taylor stated he is aware of a program, wherein communities are offered a percentage back on their recycling, however, the program requires 70%-75% participation. Commissioner Flammini stated SWALCO has reported that communities are profiting as recycling materials have become more valuable.

Commissioner Flammini and John Jones will meet with SWALCO to discuss options, and renegotiate with Veolia to allow 1) a choice of container size, 2) pick up of recyclables in same location as garbage pick up, 3) pick up of more recyclable items including plastic bags, and 4) possible participation in community recycling program. This item will be further discussed at the next City Council meeting on September 16.
ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Harrison thanked everyone involved for all of their efforts in another successful Jubilee Days weekend celebration.

Commissioner Taylor reminded residents that the fall chipping program starts next week. The fall schedule is as follows:

- If garbage is picked up on Monday, branches must be out by 6:00 a.m. Monday, September 8
- If garbage is picked up on Tuesday, branches must be out by 6:00 a.m. Monday, September 15
- If garbage is picked up on Wednesday, branches must be out by 6:00 a.m. Monday, September 22
- If garbage is picked up on Thursday, branches must be out by 6:00 a.m. Monday, September 29
- If garbage is picked up on Friday, branches must be out by 6:00 a.m. Monday, October 6
- Subdivisions will be picked up on Friday’s schedule, regardless of the normal garbage day

Thursdays from 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.  Zion Farmer’s Market
September 16  Town Board Meeting at 6:30 p.m.
September 16  Regular City Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m.
September 25  Special Farmer’s Market – Special Recipes Day hosted by the Human Relations Commission

CLOSED SESSION

It was moved by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne that the Council recess to Closed Session at 7:38 p.m. to discuss personnel. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Bennett, aye; Taylor, aye; DeTienne, aye; Flammini, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Flammini, seconded by Commissioner Bennett to reconvene the Regular Council meeting at 8:13 p.m. with all members present. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Bennett, aye; Taylor, 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 Taylor, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne and unanimously approved the meeting be adjourned at 8:13 p.m. Motion carried.

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City Clerk

Approved September 16, 2008