

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE ZION CITY COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2008, AT 7:00 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 Taylor, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne to accept the Council agenda with amendments as follows:

- Deleting an ordinance to purchase certain property at 2689 Sheridan Road, item 6.b.
- Deleting closed session, item 9.
- Deleting to consider budget amendments, item 10.

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 Flammini, seconded by Commissioner Bennett that the Consent Agenda be approved as follows:

- (a) **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** of a Regular Meeting held on October 21, 2008 at 7:00 P.M., with all members having previously received copies.
- (b) **DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:** City Clerk's Monthly Report, October 2008; Public Works Department Monthly Report, August 2008 & September 2008
- (c) **BILLS:** Vouchers 102952 through 103083 drawn on National City Bank, \$757,556.00

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

AMENDING MUNICIPAL CODE/NO PARKING/2200 BLOCK OF 19TH STREET

It was moved by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Flammini that an Ordinance (08-0-56) be passed amending the Municipal Code of the City of Zion, as amended, Article III regarding Parking, Stopping and Standing, Section 90-133, prohibiting parking Monday through Friday between the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. for the south side of the 2200 block of 19th Street. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Bennett, aye; Flammini, aye; Taylor, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried. Ordinance passed.

USE OF NEIGHBORHOOD VEHICLES

Mayor Harrison stated there was a previous question as to whether or not insurance could be obtained for neighborhood vehicles. Mayor Harrison stated these vehicles can be covered under homeowners' insurance policies. Attorney Randall noted per state statutes, 1) although available, insurance is not mandatory, 2) seat belts are not required, 3) driving under the influence penalties would apply, and 4) golf carts would not qualify as neighborhood vehicles. Attorney Randall stated state statutes are vague, suggesting this item again be tabled for further review of all requirements. Commissioner Taylor stated other communities have very comprehensive ordinances for this issue, noting passage of this ordinance may not be in the City's best interest.

The Council agreed to table this item for further review.

PURCHASE OF SQUAD CARS/POLICE DEPT.

Mayor Harrison requested that this item be held. Mayor Harrison stated the City is experiencing a serious financial shortfall with a considerable reduction in expected revenue. Mayor Harrison noted revenue is substantially down from Veolia, as their collection of construction waste has been reduced. Commissioner DeTienne stated the Police Department needs workable, reliable squad cars. Mayor Harrison suggested this item be placed on a special meeting to be conducted on Friday, November 7.

The Council agreed to table this item, with further discussion at a special meeting on Friday, November 7, 2008 at 9:00 a.m.

LIVE-SCAN SYSTEM/POLICE DEPT.

A memo (08-DOC-84) was received from Deputy Chief Brooks, requesting permission to renew a maintenance agreement for the Live-Scan System for the Police Department for the period of October 27, 2008 through October 26, 2009. Chief Booth stated this system, maintained by Identix, records and stores data on arrestees for an annual cost of \$2,512. This is a budgeted item.

It was moved by Commissioner DeTienne, seconded by Commissioner Taylor to grant permission to renew the maintenance agreement for the Live-Scan System for the Police Department with Identix, Inc. effective October 27, 2008 through October 26, 2009 for an annual amount of \$2,512. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Bennett, aye; Flammini, aye; Taylor, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

BODY ART BUSINESS/3308 SHERIDAN ROAD/SPECIAL USE

The Planning and Zoning Commission considered a request for a text amendment for a body art business at 3308 Sheridan Road, as petitioned by William Carroll – Zoning Docket 08-Z-4. The Planning/Zoning Commission previously recommended approval of this request. There is no current provision in the Municipal Code for this type of business.

It was moved by Commissioner Bennett, seconded by Commissioner Taylor to deny a text amendment in the Municipal Code to include a special use for body art businesses. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Bennett, aye; Flammini, aye; Taylor, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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| November 6 | Annual Chamber of Commerce Mayor's Dinner |
| November 10 | 233 rd Birthday of the U.S. Marine Corps. |
| November 14 | Testing for U.S. Census Bureau workers at Zion Senior Center |
| November 18 | Town Board Meeting at 6:30 P.M. |
| November 18 | Regular City Council Meeting at 7:00 P.M. |

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 7:21 p.m. Motion carried.

City Clerk