

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE ZION CITY COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2009, 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 Taylor, Flammini, DeTienne, Bennett and Mayor Harrison.

Everyone participated in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- (a) **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** of a Regular Meeting held on February 3, 2009 at 7:00 P.M. and approval but not release of Closed Session minutes of a meeting held on February 3, 2009 at 7:35 P.M., with all members having previously received copies.
- (b) **RELEASE OF CLOSED SESSION MINUTES:** March 20, 2007, April 4, 2007 & April 11, 2007
- (c) **DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:** Building Department Monthly Report, January 2009
- (d) **BILLS:** Vouchers 103878 through 103988 drawn on National City Bank, \$1,384,956.53
- (e) **PROCLAMATION:** World Kidney Day – March 12, 2009

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

FIRE PENSION BOARD APPOINTMENT

Mayor Harrison recommended the appointment of Chief John Lewis to officially replace Dave LaBelle on the Fire Pension Board.

It was moved by Commissioner DeTienne, seconded by Commissioner Flammini to approve the appointment of Chief John Lewis to the Fire Pension Board. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; DeTienne, aye; Bennett, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

FIRE/RESCUE DEPT. PROMOTIONS

A memo (09-DOC-7) was received from Chief Lewis, requesting to authorize the Fire and Police Commission to promote Lieutenant Eric Troy to Battalion Chief and Firefighter/Paramedic Alan Eppers to Lieutenant. Both firefighters are next in line on the eligibility list for these positions.

It was moved by Commissioner DeTienne, seconded by Commissioner Flammini to authorize the Fire and Police Commission to promote Lieutenant Eric Troy to Battalion Chief in the Fire/Rescue Department. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; DeTienne, aye; Bennett, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne to authorize the Fire and Police Commission to promote Firefighter/Paramedic Alan Eppers to Lieutenant in the Fire/Rescue Department. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; DeTienne, aye; Bennett, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

ESDA/TRANSFER FROM FIRE/RESCUE TO POLICE DEPT.

A memo (09-DOC-8) was received from Chief Booth, requesting that ESDA be transferred from the Fire/Rescue Department to the Police Department. Chief Booth stated the majority of calls are related to police activities. Chief Lewis and ESDA Field Director John Schultz have no objections to this change. Deputy Chief Wayne Brooks would oversee operations through the Police Department.

It was moved by Commissioner DeTienne, seconded by Commissioner Taylor to transfer ESDA from the authority of the Fire/Rescue Department to the Police Department effective immediately. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; DeTienne, aye; Bennett, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

MOSQUITO CONTROL PROGRAM

A memo (09-DOC-9) was received from Clerk Mackey recommending the approval of the 2009 Mosquito Control Program as follows:

- Eliminating treatment of catch basins – saving \$15,399.50 over previous years
- 4 citywide misting treatments @\$3,600.00 each for a total of \$14,400.00
- 3 treatments of downtown area and Shiloh Park @\$300 each for a total of \$900
- Total Mosquito Control Program - \$15,300.00

Services would be conducted by Clarke Environmental Mosquito Management. Clerk Mackey recommended the mosquito control program for a total cost not to exceed \$15,300.

It was moved by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Bennett to award the contract for the 2009 Mosquito Control Program to Clarke Environmental Mosquito Management for a total amount not to exceed \$15,300.00, with services as recommended. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; DeTienne, aye; Bennett, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

REBUILDING TOGETHER DAY

A memo (09-DOC-10) was received from Commissioner Flammini, requesting to waive building permit fees for the 2009 National Rebuilding Together Day Program. This year’s event will be held on Saturday, April 25, and repairs have been requested for 35 homes in Zion. This is the tenth year Zion has been involved in this program.

It was moved by Commissioner Flammini, seconded by Commissioner Taylor to approve waiving building permit fees for the 2009 National Rebuilding Together Day. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; DeTienne, aye; Bennett, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Harrison stated he will be meeting with school representatives from Zion-Benton Township High School, Zion Elementary District and Beach Park Elementary District on February 24 regarding tax levies and tax rates, in an effort to discuss and stabilize tax bills.

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| February 21 | 12 th Annual Chamber of Commerce Installation Dinner |
| March 3 | City Council Meeting |
| March 7 | Razzle Dazzle’s Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser – at N & T’s Restaurant |
| March 17 | Town Board Meeting |

CLOSED SESSION

It was moved by Commissioner Flammini, seconded by Commissioner Taylor that the Council recess to Closed Session at 7:23 p.m. to discuss personnel, purchase and sale of real estate, and probable and pending litigation. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; DeTienne, aye; Bennett, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne to reconvene the Regular Council meeting at 9:27 p.m. with all members present. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; DeTienne, aye; Bennett, 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 Flammini and unanimously approved the meeting be adjourned at 9:27 p.m. Motion carried.

City Clerk

Approved March 3, 2009