

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE ZION CITY COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY, APRIL 17, 2012, 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 Flammini, DeTienne, Jim Taylor, Shantal Taylor, and Mayor Harrison.

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

AGENDA CHANGES

It was moved by Commissioner DeTienne, seconded by Commissioner Shantal Taylor to approve the Council agenda with amendments as follows:

- Delete Item 7a - "An ordinance establishing and implementing a program to charge mitigation rates for the deployment of emergency and non-emergency services by the Fire Department"
- Delete Item 7b - "An ordinance to lease certain property"
- Table Item 8b - "Tabulation of Bids - annual fuel & construction materials" until the May 1, 2012 meeting
- Add under "Announcements" - Zion Community Connections, May 12, 2012, 4:00 p.m.
- Add under "Announcements" - Rebuilding Together Day on April 28, 2012

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

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Mayor Harrison stated that the City Council was going to strive to conduct orderly meetings with respect for each other and the community. He stated that the community deserves nothing less. He stated that it is his heartfelt and God-felt goal, and he hopes it is the goal of the entire City Council.

Patrick Walsh, 2317 Lydia, stated that he was bringing praise to the meeting. He stated that the Zion community action group met at the library to discuss issues, be informed, find ways to help the City, and get more involved. He stated that Commissioner Flammini attended the meeting. He stated that he knows public service is a difficult task and appreciated him coming. Mr. Walsh stated that it is the residents' responsibility to "grow the City". Citizens need to market the City of Zion every day and find ways to generate revenue and lower taxes. Mr. Walsh stated that he is committed to making changes.

Clyde McElmore, 2815 Ezekiel, thanked Commissioner Shantal Taylor for exposing the good ol' boys club. He stated that she is disrespected but holds no secrets and keeps the Zion residents informed. He stated that she is doing a great job. He stated that residents are dissatisfied with what is going on at City Hall. He stated that new voters are moving in and they are listening.

Ken Fielding, Christian Assembly, stated that the church food pantry director passed away. Mr. Chuck Stried had nearly a 10-year ministry feeding three hundred plus families per week. He stated that the funeral service would be held on Saturday, April 21, 2012 at noon.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- (a) **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** of a Regular Meeting held on April 3, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.; a Special Meeting held on April 5, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. and approval but not release of Closed Session Minutes of a meeting held on April 5, 2012 at 7:58 p.m.
- (b) **DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:** Public Works Department Monthly Report, March 2012; Building Department Monthly Report, March 2012; ESDA Monthly Report, March 2012
- (c) **BILLS:** Vouchers 112939 through 113014 drawn on PNC Bank, Total: \$602,176.87

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

1998 FORD E250 VAN (PADDY WAGON)

A memo (12-DOC-35) was received from Chief Brooks requesting permission to remove a 1998 Ford E250 van (the paddy wagon) from Police service and replace it with a 2007 Ford Freestar minivan. Chief Brooks stated that the newer minivan was seized during a drug arrest and was awarded to the City at no cost. The minivan would be used primarily as a Community Service Officer vehicle and not as a paddy wagon. He stated that the Building Department has expressed an interest in using the Ford E250 for transportation of the summer grass cutting crew.

It was moved by Commissioner DeTienne, seconded by Commissioner Shantal Taylor, to approve the removal of a 1998 Ford E250 van from Police service and replace it with a 2007 Ford Freestar minivan and to transfer the 1998 Ford E250 van to the Building Department. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Flammini, aye; DeTienne, aye; Jim Taylor, aye; Shantal Taylor, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

April 21	9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon	Electronic Recycling at the Public Works Facility 3220 27 th St.
April 28		Rebuilding Together Day
May 1	7:00 p.m.	Zion City Council Meeting
May 5	9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon	Electronic Recycling at the Public Works Facility 3220 27 th St.
May 12	4:00 p.m.	Zion Community Connections Police Training Room
May 15	6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Zion Township Board Meeting Zion City Council Meeting

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, it was moved by Commissioner DeTienne, seconded by Commissioner Shantal Taylor and unanimously approved the meeting be adjourned at 7:20 p.m. Motion carried.

City Clerk

Approved May 1, 2012