

Council Minutes

January 3, 2001

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE ZION CITY COUNCIL
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3, 2001, AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE CITY
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, ZION, ILLINOIS

Chief LaBelle gave inspirational comments.

Mayor Harrison called the meeting to order.

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

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

AGENDA CHANGES

Commissioner Taylor requested deleting a payment to Timothy R. Evans, legal services, \$592.00, item 5.d.

Mayor Harrison requested adding to consider a temporary road closure for Christian Love Baptist Church annual youth march, item 8.a.(1)

CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Bennett that the Consent Agenda be approved as follows: (a) MINUTES of a Regular Meeting and Executive Session held on December 19, 2000 at 7:01 P.M., with all members having previously received copies. (b) DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS: Detailed Balance Sheet and Detailed Revenue & Expense Report for 6 periods ending October 31, 2000; Detailed Balance Sheet and Detailed Revenue & Expense Report for 7 periods ending November 30, 2000; Police Department Reports, November, 2000 (c) BILLS: Vouchers 73911 through 74057 drawn on the National City Bank of Michigan/IL, \$661,444.57: First Midwest Bank/Zion, \$3,188.42: Total: \$664,632.99 (d) PAYMENTS: Jewell Electric, fire alarm at Police Administration Building, \$8,684.00; Hampton, Lenzini and Renwick, Inc. (HLR), engineering services rendered on closing out old Motor Fuel Tax projects, \$486.55 The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Rogers, aye; Bennett, aye; Monk, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

AUTHORIZING PURCHASE/SNOWPLOW REPAIR PARTS

It was moved by Commissioner Bennett, seconded by Commissioner Monk that an Ordinance (01-0-01) be passed authorizing an emergency purchase of snowplow repair parts with Lyons Equipment Company for a total cost of \$3,536.86. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Rogers, aye; Bennett, aye; Monk, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried. Ordinance passed.

AMENDING MUNICIPAL CODE/RESIDENTIAL SIGNS

It was moved by Commissioner Rogers, seconded by Commissioner Bennett that an Ordinance (01-0-02) be passed amending the Municipal Code of the City of Zion, as amended, Section 70-62, regarding regulations pertaining to residential signs. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Rogers, aye; Bennett, aye; Monk, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried. Ordinance passed.

REZONING/2015-2017 SHERIDAN ROAD

It was moved by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Bennett that an Ordinance (01-0-03) be passed rezoning property at 2015-2017 Sheridan Road from County zoning to HB-2 Highway Business. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Rogers, aye; Bennett, aye; Monk, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried. Ordinance passed.

PARKING VARIANCE/3051-3053 SHERIDAN ROAD

It was moved by Commissioner Bennett, seconded by Commissioner Monk that an Ordinance (01-0-04) be passed granting a variance in the minimum required off-street parking required for commercial property at 3051-3053 Sheridan Road, with the variance recorded as a deed restriction to the property. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Rogers, aye; Bennett, aye; Monk, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried. Ordinance passed.

TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE/CHRISTIAN LOVE BAPTIST CHURCH

A letter (01-DOC-1) was received from Christian Love Baptist Church, requesting temporary road closures for a church youth march and rally to be held May 19, 2001. The march would start by the Zion Public Library on Gabriel Avenue, on to Salem Blvd, and around Memorial Drive to the band shell in Shiloh Park. Closure of these roads would be needed from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Mayor Harrison stated this event would need to be coordinated with the Park District and Christ Community Church, as well as City departments. Jack Diliberti stated he would meet with Rev. Barrett to help coordinate the event. It was moved by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Monk to approve the temporary road closures, as requested, on May 19, 2001 for the Christian Love Baptist Church youth march and rally, subject to coordinating the event with the

Zion Park District, Christ Community Church, and City departments, as recommended. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Rogers, aye; Bennett, aye; Monk, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

NOSTALGIA DAYS FESTIVAL

LouElla Workman, Chairperson of the Nostalgia Days Committee, requested a donation from the City for the Nostalgia Days Festival. Commissioner Rogers stated the Committee is requesting \$1,000.00 to cover new expenses, which are necessary to continue this event. Mayor Harrison stated he would check to see if funds are available in the Public Affairs budget for this donation.

SNOW BLOWER PURCHASE

A memo (01-DOC-2) was received from Brian Usher, requesting permission to purchase a used snow blower for the Public Works Department. A used snow blower, which is in good operation, is currently available from Mid-America Truck and Equipment. A new unit would cost almost \$80,000, and this unit is available for \$7,500. The only additional cost would be to modify the hitch and to add a bracket to the end loader. With this unit, snow piles could be moved off the curbs, blowing the snow into either open areas or dump trucks. It was moved by Commissioner Bennett, seconded by Commissioner Taylor to waive bids and approve the purchase of a used snow blower from Mid-America Truck and Equipment in the amount of \$7,500.00, and for an ordinance to be prepared accordingly. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Rogers, aye; Bennett, aye; Monk, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

AMENDING LIQUOR CONTROL ORDINANCE

A memo (01-DOC-3) was received from Peter Cioni, regarding proposed amendments to the Liquor Control Ordinance. Applebee's Restaurant has requested the language definitions, in order for their business operation to be in compliance with the ordinance. It was moved by Commissioner Bennett, seconded by Commissioner Taylor to approve amendments to the Liquor Control Ordinance, as proposed, and for an ordinance to be prepared accordingly. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Rogers, aye; Bennett, aye; Monk, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- January 15 City Hall Closed for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
- January 16 City Council Meeting

EXECUTIVE SESSION

It was moved by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Bennett that the Council recess to Executive Session at 7:18 p.m. to discuss personnel, the purchase and sale of real estate, and probable litigation. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Rogers, aye; Bennett, aye; Monk, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

The Council reconvened at 8:46 p.m. with all members present.

CITY ATTORNEY

It was moved by Commissioner Bennett, seconded by Commissioner Monk to appoint the law firm of Ancel, Glink, Diamond, Bush, DiCianni & Rolek, P.C. as the City's corporate counsel with Robert Rolek serving as the law firm's representative, effective immediately through April 30, 2001. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Rogers, aye; Bennett, aye; Monk, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

BOUNDARY AGREEMENT

It was moved by Commissioner Monk, seconded by Commissioner Taylor that an Ordinance (01-0-05) be passed, waiving the second reading, withdrawing the City of Zion's approval to a "Boundary Agreement between the City of Zion and the Village of Winthrop Harbor." The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Rogers, aye; Bennett, aye; Monk, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried. Ordinance passed.

EMPLOYEE WAGE INCREASE/BUILDING DEPT.

It was moved by Commissioner Rogers, seconded by Commissioner Taylor to approve a wage increase for Bruce Naden, Building Inspector, Building and Zoning Department, from Pay Grade 11-3 to Pay Grade 11-4. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Rogers, aye; Bennett, aye; Monk, 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 Bennett, seconded by Commissioner Rogers and unanimously approved the meeting be adjourned at 9:17 p.m. Motion carried. Commissioner Rogers and unanimously approved the meeting be adjourned at 11:36 p.m. Motion carried.