

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE ZION CITY COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 4, 2009, AT 7:04 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 Shantal Taylor, Flammini, Jim Taylor, DeTienne and Mayor Harrison.

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

**AGENDA CHANGES**

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

- Removing approval of minutes from the Consent Agenda, and placing the approval of the minutes, item 5.a. as a separate item

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES/JULY 21, 2009**

It was moved by Commissioner Jim Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Shantal Taylor to approve minutes of a Regular Meeting held on July 21, 2009 at 7:08 P.M. and approve but not release Closed Session minutes of a meeting held on July 21, 2009 at 7:33 P.M., with all members having previously received copies. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Shantal Taylor, aye; Flammini, pass; Jim Taylor, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

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

**DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:** City Clerk's Monthly Report, July 2009

**BILLS:** Vouchers 105250 through 105371 drawn on National City Bank, \$868,540.68

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

**RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION/HN1 CHRISTOPHER THOMAS**

Mayor Harrison presented a resolution to HN1 Christopher Thomas, recognizing and honoring him for his service in the United States Navy and for his dedication to defending freedom and safeguarding liberty, both at home and abroad. Mr. Thomas presented an American flag and a Zion City flag that he flew over in Iraq and Kuwait.

It was moved by Commissioner Flammini, seconded by Commissioner Jim Taylor that a Resolution of Commendation (09-R-11) be passed, expressing gratitude to HN1 Christopher Thomas, for his unselfish defense of his country. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Shantal Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; Jim Taylor, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried. Resolution passed.

**RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION/SPC CRAIG BRICCO II**

Mayor Harrison presented a resolution to SPC Craig Bricco II, recognizing and honoring him for his service in the United States Army and for his dedication to defending freedom and safeguarding liberty, both at home and abroad.

It was moved by Commissioner Shantal Taylor, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne that a Resolution of Commendation (09-R-12) be passed, expressing gratitude to SPC Craig Bricco II, for his unselfish defense of his country. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Shantal Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; Jim Taylor, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried. Resolution passed.

**IDOT/2009 ROAD PROGRAM**

Ron Colangelo stated the Illinois Department of Transportation requires approval of an annual resolution for the appropriation of Motor Fuel Tax (MFT) funds for roadway improvements. This resolution will authorize the City to utilize \$84,000 of MFT funds to supplement the CDBG grant for the 2009 Road Program.

It was moved by Commissioner Flammini, seconded by Commissioner Shantal Taylor that a Resolution (09-R-13) be passed for improvement by municipality under the Illinois Highway Code per the Illinois Department of Transportation for the 2009 Road Program, appropriating \$84,000 of Motor Fuel Tax funds for this project. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Shantal Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; Jim Taylor, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried. Resolution passed.

**HAUNTED HOUSE/SPECIAL USE PERMIT/2715 DEBORAH AVENUE**

The Planning and Zoning Commission considered a request for a special use permit for a haunted house attraction for 2715 Deborah Avenue, as petitioned by GPT Enterprises, LLC – Zoning Docket 09-Z-2. The Planning/Zoning Commission recommended approval for a one-year period.

It was moved by Commissioner Jim Taylor, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne to deny the request for a special use permit for a haunted house attraction at 2715 Deborah Avenue.

Mayor Harrison noted three concerns regarding this issue; 1) venue, as participants would be traveling through residential areas to get to this business, 2) traffic through the residential streets, and 3) an already stretched police force.

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

**BICYCLE AUCTION**

A memo (09-DOC-52) was received from Clerk Mackey, requesting permission to conduct a bicycle auction on Saturday, August 22, 2009 at 9:00 A.M. in the City garage facility at 24<sup>th</sup> Street and Hebron Avenue with all proceeds to go to the City's summer work program. Bicycles can be viewed from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. prior to the auction.

It was moved by Commissioner Shantal Taylor, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne to grant permission to conduct a bicycle auction on Saturday, August 22, 2009 at 9:00 A.M. in the City garage facility at 24<sup>th</sup> Street and Hebron Avenue with proceeds to go to the City's summer work program. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Shantal Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; Jim Taylor, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

**TAB OF BIDS/SALE OF BUILDING DEPARTMENT VEHICLES**

A Tabulation of Bids (09-DOC-53) was received from Clerk Mackey, regarding the sale of a 1999 Chevy Malibu and 2004 Dodge Dakota in the Building Department. Clerk Mackey recommended awarding the sale of these surplus vehicles to the highest responsible and responsive bidders, who met all specifications and minimum bid requirements as follows:

1999 Chevy Malibu to Michael Jones for \$1,506.00

2004 Dodge Dakota to John Jones for \$4,106.00

It was moved by Commissioner Jim Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Flammini to award the sale of the surplus Building Department vehicles, as recommended. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Shantal Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; Jim Taylor, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

**TAB OF BIDS/2009 SIDEWALK PROGRAM**

A Tabulation of Bids (09-DOC-54) was received from Ron Colangelo, regarding the 2009 Sidewalk Program. Mr. Colangelo recommended awarding the contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, D'Land Construction, LLC, in the amount of \$46,364.92.

It was moved by Commissioner Flammini, seconded by Commissioner Jim Taylor to award the contract for the 2009 Sidewalk Program to D'Land Construction, LLC in an amount of \$46,364.92. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Shantal Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; Jim Taylor, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

**DOWNTOWN STREETSCAPE SPRINKLER SYSTEM**

A memo (09-DOC-55) was received from Ron Colangelo, requesting to waive bids and approve the repair of a damaged portion of the Downtown Streetscape sprinkler system in the 2800 block of Sheridan Road. The current maintenance contractor for the system, Central Lawn Sprinklers, has submitted a proposal in the amount of \$19,523 for these repairs. The repairs would be funded through TIF.

It was moved by Commissioner Flammini, seconded by Commissioner Shantal Taylor to waive bids and authorize repairs to the Downtown Streetscape sprinkler system in the 2800 block of Sheridan Road with Central Lawn Sprinklers in the amount of \$19,523. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Shantal Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; Jim Taylor, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

**TIF GRANT/MAIBETH RAPER REAL ESTATE/2701 SHERIDAN ROAD**

A memo (09-DOC-56) was received from Delaine Rogers requesting consideration of a TIF grant for Maibeth Raper Real Estate at 2701 Sheridan Road for the replacement and maintenance of the HVAC system. The TIF Review Board supports assistance in an amount not to exceed \$8,385.

It was moved by Commissioner Shantal Taylor, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne to approve the TIF grant for Maibeth Raper Real Estate at 2701 Sheridan Road for an amount not to exceed \$8,385. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Shantal Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; Jim Taylor, pass; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

**CRANE MEADOWS TIF REDEVELOPMENT**

Delaine Rogers stated that an ordinance approving the redevelopment plan and project for the Crane Meadows TIF Redevelopment District, as well as the tax increment allocation financing was passed on June 29, 2009. A Joint Review Board meeting was held on July 29 with a recommendation to proceed with the proposed Redevelopment Plan and Project, designation of the proposed Redevelopment Project Area and adoption of tax increment allocation financing. A notice will be published for a public hearing to be held on August 31, 2009 at 2:00 p.m. at Zion City Hall.

It was moved by Commissioner Jim Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Flammini to receive and place on file the Report of the Joint Review Board for the proposed Crane Meadows TIF Redevelopment Project. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Shantal Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; Jim Taylor, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

**DEPARTMENTAL COMMENTARY**

Ron Colangelo announced that the railway crossing on Shiloh Blvd. will be closed from August 10 – August 19, due to repairs to the railway tracks.

Ron Colangelo stated the City has been awarded a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), which will involve resurfacing the following streets:

- o Gabriel Avenue – 31<sup>st</sup> Street to 33<sup>rd</sup> Street
- o Ezra Avenue – 31<sup>st</sup> Street to 33<sup>rd</sup> Street
- o Ezekiel Place – Carmel Blvd to 33<sup>rd</sup> Street
- o Gilboa Avenue – Salem Blvd. to 26<sup>th</sup> Street

The State of Illinois re-let the bids for the Sheridan Road resurfacing project on July 31, so work should resume shortly with the paving of Sheridan Road from Waukegan north all the way to the Wisconsin state line.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

August 8	10:00 A.M.	City of Miracles at Shiloh Park
August 18	6:30 P.M.	Town Board Meeting
August 18	7:00 P.M.	Regular City Council Meeting
August 21		Coalition for Healthy Communities 12 <sup>th</sup> Annual Caddie Classic

**CLOSED SESSION**

It was moved by Commissioner DeTienne, seconded by Commissioner Shantal Taylor that the Council recess to Closed Session at 7:42 p.m. to discuss personnel and probable litigation. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Shantal Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; Jim Taylor, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Jim Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Flammini to reconvene the Regular Council meeting at 8:55 p.m. with all members present. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Shantal Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; Jim Taylor, aye; DeTienne, 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 DeTienne, seconded by Commissioner Flammini and unanimously approved the meeting be adjourned at 8:55 p.m. Motion carried.

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City Clerk