

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE ZION CITY COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2010, AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, ZION, ILLINOIS

Little Miss Zion Samantha Pederson called the meeting to order.

Junior Miss Zion Natalie Hamilton called the roll. On call of the roll the following answered present: Commissioners Flammini, Jim Taylor, DeTienne, Shantal Taylor and Mayor Harrison.

Miss Zion Hannah Perron led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

JUBILEE DAYS PARADE AWARDS

Rich Walker, Director of the Jubilee Days Festival Commission, presented the 2010 Jubilee Days/Labor Day parade awards as follows:

Theme Award for best theme:	Zion Park District
Specialty Award for best effort:	2010 Lake County Queens
Grand Marshal Award for most beautiful:	Plumbers Local Union 93
President's Choice for most original:	Our Lady of Humility School
Jubilee Director's Choice for best musical:	North Point Church
Sweepstakes Award for best animation:	Beach Community Church
Mayor's Award for overall best:	Living Iwo Jima Memorial

Mayor Harrison recognized Rich Walker for all of his efforts and hard work on another successful Jubilee Days Festival parade and weekend.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- (a) **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** of a Citizen Comment Session held on September 7, 2010 at 6:32 P.M.; a Regular Meeting held on September 7, 2010 at 7:00 P.M. and approval but not release of Closed Session minutes of a meeting held on September 7, 2010 at 7:47 P.M.; and a Workshop/Special Meeting held on September 14, 2010 at 4:00 P.M., with all members having previously received copies.
- (b) **BILLS:** Vouchers 108554 through 108660 drawn on National City Bank, \$1,005,324.11

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

AMEND PERSONNEL AUTHORIZATION/ESDA & POLICE DEPT

It was moved by Commissioner DeTienne, seconded by Commissioner Flammini that a Resolution (10-R-20) be passed amending the Personnel Authorization placing ESDA under the authority of the Commissioner of Public Works and adding the grant funded positions in the Police Department. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Flammini, aye; Jim Taylor, aye; DeTienne, aye; Shantal Taylor, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried. Resolution passed.

CAMBRIDGE HOMES/BASEMENT VARIANCE

The Planning and Zoning Commission considered a request for approval of a variance to build two homes without basements, as petitioned by Cambridge Homes – Zoning Docket 10-Z-7. The Planning/Zoning Commission recommended denial of this request. Cambridge Homes requested allowing homebuyers the choice of acquiring homes with or without a basement on two lots in Stonebridge Crossing Subdivision, in order to reach a larger market.

It was moved by Commissioner Flammini, seconded by Commissioner Jim Taylor to deny the request for the variance to build the two homes without basements. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Flammini, aye; Jim Taylor, aye; DeTienne, aye; Shantal Taylor, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

Mr. Steve Goodman, Vice President and General Counsel for Cambridge Homes stated one-half of the homes recently built in the Chicago area are without basements, as this allows homebuyers an option. Mayor Harrison stated Stonebridge Crossing has many nice homes, questioning what happens to nearby property values when homes are constructed with slabs. Mr. Goodman stated he has not found property values to be affected. Mr. Goodman noted two homes with slabs will not decrease values, as occupied homes will provide better value than vacant homes. Mayor Harrison stated he is concerned about maintaining property values for existing homeowners, as well as new homebuyers.

E-911 BOARD INVOICE/FREQUENCY LICENSE

A memo (10-DOC-100) was received from Chief Lewis, requesting approval of payment for an invoice as follows:

Fire/EMS Radio Service – Frequency coordination for Call Letters KFX873 \$800.00

Chief Lewis stated the FCC is requiring the change, as the license was originally on the 2828 Sheridan Road antenna and has since been moved to the 1303 27th Street antenna.

It was moved by Commissioner Jim Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Flammini to approve payment to Fire/EMS Radio Service in the amount of \$800.00 for the frequency coordination license. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Flammini, aye; Jim Taylor, aye; DeTienne, aye; Shantal Taylor, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

FIRE/RESCUE DEPARTMENT/TURNOUT GEAR

A memo (10-DOC-101) was received from Chief Lewis, requesting permission to purchase the following:

MES Illinois – purchase of one set of turnout gear \$1,727.08

This is a budgeted item.

It was moved by Commissioner DeTienne, seconded by Commissioner Shantal Taylor to grant permission to purchase one set of turnout gear for the Fire/Rescue Department from MES Illinois for a total cost of \$1,727.08. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Flammini, aye; Jim Taylor, aye; DeTienne, aye; Shantal Taylor, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

POLICE DEPARTMENT INVOICE/SECURITY BAY DOOR

A memo (10-DOC-102) was received from Chief Brooks, requesting approval of payment for an invoice as follows:

Lake County Door Co. – replacement of gear, opener and safety eyes for drive in security bay door at Police Administration Building	\$1,590.00
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It was moved by Commissioner DeTienne, seconded by Commissioner Jim Taylor to approve payment to Lake County Door Co. in the amount of \$1,590.00 for the Police Department invoice, as presented. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Flammini, aye; Jim Taylor, aye; DeTienne, aye; Shantal Taylor, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

VEOLIA WASTE COLLECTION AGREEMENT

A memo (10-DOC-103) was received from Commissioner Flammini recommending approval of a five year agreement with Veolia including:

- Increasing Fuel Surcharge Strike Point from \$3.40 to \$3.65
- Splitting proceeds from sale of recyclable materials
- Offering an optional 65 gallon container with no reduction in rate
- Free recycling services for all City facilities, including the Zion Township Office
- 24 dumpsters per year for Public Service use and City events
- Trash containers provided at no cost to new construction residences

Commissioner Flammini stated Veolia also agreed to freeze all rate increases to the May 2009 rate, so as to credit the city and allow for the recovery of an over billing totaling \$228,335. Per the current agreement, Veolia would have been entitled to a rate adjustment equal to the Consumer Price Index (CPI). Once funds are recovered, the rate would be adjusted to the amount without the freeze.

Mayor Harrison stated it just came to his attention that the Zion Middle School wishes to again have a recycling program, and they are in need of the cardboard recyclable boxes. Mayor Harrison recommended tabling this item, in order to work with Veolia on behalf of the school. Commissioner Flammini stated he would talk to Veolia to consider a donation, but recommended proceeding with the waste agreement, as Veolia has agreed to freeze rate increases. Commissioner Jim Taylor agreed the City should proceed with the agreement, noting the school formerly had a recycling program, and the school negotiates with a separate company responsible for providing the containers. Mayor Harrison stated it won't affect this agreement, if it is tabled for two weeks, in order to address the school's issue. Commissioner Flammini stated Veolia has been on hold since May 1.

It was moved by Commissioner Jim Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Shantal Taylor to table the Waste, Recyclables, and Yard Waste Collection, Transportation and Management Agreement with Veolia ES Solid Waste Midwest, LLC until the October 5, 2010 meeting. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Flammini, nay; Jim Taylor, aye; DeTienne, aye; Shantal Taylor, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

E-911 TELEPHONE SYSTEM REVIEW BOARD

A memo (10-DOC-104) was received from Chief Lewis, submitting the name of Fred Ray for appointment to the E-911 Telephone System Review Board.

It was moved by Commissioner Jim Taylor, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne to approve the appointment of Fred Ray to the E-911 Telephone System Review Board. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Flammini, aye; Jim Taylor, aye; DeTienne, aye; Shantal Taylor, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

POLICE PENSION BOARD

Mayor Harrison stated he received a recommendation for appointment to the Police Pension Fund, and requested this item be tabled until the next regular meeting.

It was moved by Commissioner Jim Taylor, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne to table considering an appointment to the Zion Police Pension Board until the October 5, 2010 meeting. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Flammini, aye; Jim Taylor, aye; DeTienne, aye; Shantal Taylor, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENTAL COMMENTARY

Commissioner Shantal Taylor thanked everyone who attended the Community Forum with the Lake County Housing Authority.

The Dungeon of Doom haunted house will open this Friday, September 24.

Delaine Rogers stated workers are distributing a survey door to door, asking for information to help obtain a FEMA grant.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Frank Misureli, publisher of the Zion-Benton News, announced that starting next week the newspaper will be in a new format and will be distributed free to area-wide residents.

September 21	First day to circulate petitions for the April 5 General Election
September 23	Grand Re-opening of Westside Plaza from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
September 24 & 25	Kiwanis Peanut Days Fundraiser
September 29	Flu Vaccines at City Hall
October 5	Last day for voter registration at City Hall
October 5	Citizen Comments at 6:30 p.m.
	City Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m.
October 11	First day for Early Voting at City Hall for the November 2 General Election
October 19	Town Board Meeting at 6:30 p.m.
	City Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m.
October 30	Trick or Treat in Zion from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

It was moved by Commissioner Shantal Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Flammini that the Council recess to Closed Session at 8:03 p.m. to discuss collective bargaining. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Flammini, aye; Jim Taylor, aye; DeTienne, aye; Shantal Taylor, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Jim Taylor, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne to reconvene the Regular Council meeting at 8:28 p.m. with all members present. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Flammini, aye; Jim Taylor, aye; DeTienne, aye; Shantal Taylor, 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 Shantal Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Flammini and unanimously approved the meeting be adjourned at 8:28 p.m. Motion carried.

City Clerk

Approved October 5, 2010