

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE ZION CITY COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 16, 2011, 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 DeTienne, Flammini, 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 Jim Taylor, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne to accept the Council agenda with amendments as follows:

- Deleting to consider quotes for HVAC service for City Hall, item 8.e.
- Moving item 7. to the Consent Agenda to be received and placed on file, item 5.d.

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

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- (a) **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** of a Regular Meeting held on August 2, 2011 at 7:00 P.M. and approval but not release of Closed Session minutes of a meeting held on August 2, 2011 at 7:14 P.M.; a Special Meeting held on August 5, 2011 at 9:05 A.M. and approval but not release of Closed Session Minutes of a meeting held on August 5, 2011 at 9:05 A.M., with all members having previously received copies.
- (b) **DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:** Building Department Monthly Report, July 2011; ESDA Monthly Report, July 2011
- (c) **BILLS:** Vouchers 111195 through 111294 drawn on PNC Bank, \$346,184.43
- (d) **RECEIVE & PLACE ON FILE:** Resolution of commendation

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

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Juan Butler noted pothole problems at Carmel Blvd and Sheridan Road. Mr. Butler also mentioned a problem with a main break in his alley, however per his discussion with Ron Colangelo, this is being taken care of. Mr. Butler said Mr. Colangelo told him that Carmel Blvd was one of the projects listed for repairs. Commissioner Flammini stated he would check with Mr. Colangelo. Mr. Butler asked if the City is still conducting tree removals. Commissioner Flammini stated tree removals are still ongoing.

Sherry Beal complained about the 4-hour time spent by a street crew removing trees on her block, noting there was no supervision. Ms. Beal also stated the asphalt on Enoch Avenue is loose at the sides of her street, noting the asphalt has been thrown through her windows. Mayor Harrison advised Ms. Beal to talk with Commissioner Flammini and Ron Colangelo on these matters. Ms. Beal complained that there is garbage and scum in the pond by Walgreens. Mayor Harrison stated that property is owned by Walgreens, and the City has notified Walgreens' corporate offices in the past.

Marla Cook informed the Council of repeated problems on 23rd Street with water and storm sewer damage in her basement. Ms. Cook stated she spoke with city engineers, who suggested she purchase an ejector system. Ms. Cook recommended checking the alleys and holding a clean up in the spring to help avoid future problems.

Another resident on 23rd Street, Mr. Herrera, also noted water and storm sewer problems in his basement, suggesting placing a camera in the drain to help determine if a pipe might be broken.

William C. Bremner presented a newspaper article to Mayor Harrison.

SIREN ACTIVATION POLICY

Chief Lewis stated the Siren Activation Policy establishes guidelines for activation of outdoor warning sirens through the City of Zion. The warning sirens are part of a public emergency notification system. The policy shows the siren locations and authorizes who can activate the system. The warning sirens will still be tested on the first Tuesdays of each month at 10:00 a.m.

It was moved by Commissioner DeTienne, seconded by Commissioner Shantal Taylor to adopt the Zion Siren Activation Policy. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners DeTienne, aye; Flammini, aye; Jim Taylor, aye; Shantal Taylor, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

DEPUTY CITY CLERK

A memo (11-DOC-84) was received from Clerk Mackey, requesting permission to post for the position of Deputy City Clerk, in order to provide for a smooth transition with the Clerk's pending retirement. The effective date would be September 12, 2011.

It was moved by Commissioner Jim Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Shantal Taylor to grant permission to post for the position of Deputy City Clerk with an effective date of September 12, 2011. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners DeTienne, aye; Flammini, aye; Jim Taylor, aye; Shantal Taylor, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

SURVEILLANCE CAMERA NETWORK

A memo (11-DOC-85) was received from Chief Brooks, requesting permission to continue upgrades and expansion of the wireless surveillance camera network. Chief Brooks requested purchasing equipment and software for the dispatch center to monitor the cameras at City Hall. The quote from the existing vendor, Current Technologies, is in the amount of \$6,535.23. Chief Brooks also requested purchasing and installing another camera in the downtown area for 28th Street and Elisha Avenue. The quote from Current Technologies for this eighth surveillance camera is in the amount of \$11,447.44. These purchases would be paid from the Energy Solutions donation.

It was moved by Commissioner DeTienne, seconded by Commissioner Flammini to grant permission to purchase monitoring equipment and software plus an additional surveillance camera from Current Technologies for a total cost of \$17,982.67. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners DeTienne, aye; Flammini, aye; Jim Taylor, aye; Shantal Taylor, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

SUB-CONTRACTORS' INSPECTIONS

A memo (11-DOC-86) was received from Rich Ianson, recommending increasing the amount paid to sub-contractors. Zion currently pays \$35.00 per inspection, which is the lowest amount per a survey of other communities. Mr. Ianson recommended increasing the pay to \$40.00 per inspection. Mayor Harrison stated this cost is paid through inspection fees.

It was moved by Commissioner Flammini, seconded by Commissioner Jim Taylor to approve increasing the pay for sub-contractors from \$35.00 to \$40.00 per inspection. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners DeTienne, aye; Flammini, aye; Jim Taylor, aye; Shantal Taylor, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

TAB OF BIDS-HISTORIC DOME RESTORATION PROJECT

A Tabulation of Bids (11-DOC-87) was received for the Historic Dome Restoration Project. One bid was received from Wooden Valley Carpentry in the amount of \$38,500.00. Commissioner Shantal Taylor introduced owner John Ricard. Mr. Ricard stated he proposes using high-end material, which wouldn't rot, and specialized boards instead of steel for the top cap, therefore the only maintenance would involve painting. Mr. Ricard stated his bid includes repairing the roof area, as it would cost another \$8,000 to fully replace the roof. The bid also includes a donation of a portion of the labor. Commissioner Shantal Taylor stated her concern of funding for perpetual maintenance. Mr. Ricard stated with this construction, maintenance would just involve a painting program. Commissioner Jim Taylor noted there were funds also raised by the Chamber of Commerce for this project, asking how long it would take to complete the project. Mr. Ricard stated the project would take about 4 weeks. Commissioner Shantal Taylor asked when Mr. Ricard could start the renovations. Mr. Ricard stated he could start the last week of September. Mayor Harrison stated this project is being funded through a donation from Energy Solutions.

It was moved by Commissioner Jim Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Shantal Taylor to award the contract for the Historic Dome Restoration Project to Wooden Valley Carpentry in an amount not to exceed \$38,500.00. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners DeTienne, aye; Flammini, aye; Jim Taylor, aye; Shantal Taylor, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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| August 19 | Coalition for Healthy Communities Annual Caddie Classic |
| September 5 | City Offices Closed for Labor Day
Mayor's Prayer Breakfast at 8:00 a.m.
Jubilee Days Parade at 1:00 p.m. |
| September 6 | City Council Meeting |
| September 20 | Town Board Meeting at 6:30 p.m.
City Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m. |

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CLOSED SESSION

It was moved by Commissioner Jim Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Shantal Taylor that the Council recess to Closed Session at 7:44 p.m. to discuss sale of real estate and probable litigation. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners DeTienne, aye; Flammini, aye; Jim Taylor, 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 8:58 p.m. with all members present. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners DeTienne, aye; Flammini, aye; Jim Taylor, 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 Jim Taylor and unanimously approved the meeting be adjourned at 8:58 p.m. Motion carried.

City Clerk

Approved September 6, 2011