MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE ZION CITY COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 3, 2012, AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, ZION, ILLINOIS

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Mayor Pro Tem Jim Taylor called the meeting to order.

On call of the roll the following answered present: Commissioners Shantal Taylor, Flammini, DeTienne and Mayor Pro Tem Jim Taylor. Mayor Harrison was absent.

Mayor Pro Tem Jim Taylor led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

AGENDA CHANGES

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

 Add under "Announcements" - electronics waste ban at Illinois landfills per Commissioner Flammini

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

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- (a) **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** of a Regular Meeting held on December 20, 2011 at 7:02 p.m. and approval but not release of Closed Session Minutes of a meeting held on December 20, 2011 at 8:37 p.m
- (b) **DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:** FOIA Requests, December 2011

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

CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were no citizen comments.

RESOLUTION/SUMMARY PLAN DOCUMENT/HORACE MANN

It was moved by Commissioner Flammini, seconded by Commissioner Shantal Taylor that a Resolution (12-R-1) be passed authorizing the execution and implementation of the revised Horace Mann Summary Plan Document, which includes the tax-deferred medical insurance premium salary reduction service only, as approved on November 15, 2011, and the distribution of the revised summary plan document to each participating employee. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Shantal Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Pro Tem Jim Taylor, aye. Motion carried. Resolution passed.

ORDINANCE/GRANTING VARIANCE/2900 & 2904 ELIZABETH AVENUE

It was moved by Commissioner Flammini, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne that an Ordinance (12-O-1) be passed granting a variance from Zion Municipal Code Section 102-206(b)(2) for 2900 and 2904 Elizabeth Avenue. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Shantal Taylor, nay; Flammini, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Pro Tem Jim Taylor, aye. Motion carried. Ordinance passed.

ORDINANCE/AUTHORIZING SALE OF KRINGLE'S KINGDOM DISPLAYS

It was moved by Commissioner Shantal Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Flammini that an Ordinance (12-O-2) be passed authorizing the sale of personal property deemed surplus and identified as Festival of Lights displays to Ebenezer Events, LLC for the amount of \$2,500 and allowing the City to store the remainder of the Festival of Lights property in rental space leased by Ebenezer Events, LLC from Deborah Avenue Investors, LLC at no additional cost until such time that the City finds suitable alternative storage space. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Shantal Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Pro Tem Jim Taylor, nay. Motion carried. Ordinance passed.

LEASE RENEWAL/METRA STATION PASSENGER SHELTER

It was moved by Commissioner Flammini, seconded by Commissioner Shantal Taylor, that this item be tabled until the January 17, 2012 City Council meeting. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Shantal Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Pro Tem Jim Taylor, aye. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENTAL COMMENTARY

Police Chief Brooks stated the 2010 Police Department Annual Report is now available. He reported that the crime index in Zion is down 20.1%.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

January 16		City Offices Closed for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
January 17	6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Zion Township Board Meeting Zion City Council Meeting
February 7	7:00 p.m.	Zion City Council Meeting

Commissioner Flammini stated that, effective January 1, 2012, electronic waste is banned from Illinois landfills. Dumping electronic waste is a fineable offense. A list of electronics recycling locations is available at SWALCO.org. The City of Zion is working on establishing a recycling location which will be published when arrangements are finalized.

Mayor Pro Tem Jim Taylor stated that it was reported that an investment group was going to approach the City of Zion at this City Council meeting to propose a \$70 million sports and entertainment corridor in Zion. He stated that this is not an agenda item and there would be no such discussion at this City Council meeting.

CLOSED SESSION

It was moved by Commissioner Shantal Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Flammini that the Council recess to Closed Session at 7:14 p.m. to discuss personnel, purchase and sale of real estate, and probable and pending litigation. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Shantal Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Pro Tem Jim Taylor, aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Flammini, seconded by Commissioner Shantal Taylor to reconvene the Regular Council meeting at 7:45 p.m. with all members present. Commissioners Shantal Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Pro Tem Jim Taylor, 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 7:46 p.m. Motion carried.

 City Clerk	

Approved January 17, 2012