

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE ZION CITY COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 15, 2013, AT 7:02 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, DeTienne, and Mayor Harrison. Commissioner Jim Taylor was absent.

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

AGENDA CHANGES

It was moved by Commissioner Flammini, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne to approve the Council agenda with an amendment as follows:

- Add to the Announcements a Zion Community Connections meeting on February 9, 2013 at 4:00 p.m. at the Police Administration Building

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

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- (a) **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** of a Regular Meeting held on January 2, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. with all members having previously received copies

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

MUNICIPAL ELECTRICAL AGGREGATION CITIZEN COMMITTEE

It was the consensus of the Council that Charles Fitzgerald, Chairman of the Municipal Electrical Aggregation Citizen Committee, represent the City of Zion as a speaker on the subject of electrical aggregation at a meeting of the Zion Chamber of Commerce. Commissioner Shantal Taylor stated that she would be available to attend the meeting as well.

ORDINANCE/PUBLIC QUESTION/MUNICIPAL ELECTRICAL AGGREGATION

It was moved by Commissioner Flammini, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne that an Ordinance (13-O-5) be passed providing for the submission of a public question regarding electrical aggregation for the voters of the City of Zion at the Consolidated General Election to be held on April 9, 2013. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Shantal Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried. Ordinance passed.

ABATING TAX/GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS – SERIES 2012A

It was moved by Commissioner Flammini, seconded by Commissioner Shantal Taylor that an Ordinance (13-0-6) be passed abating the tax levied for the year 2012 to pay the principal of and interest on \$2,215,000 general obligation refunding bonds, series 2012A, (Special Tax Allocation Fund Alternate Revenue Source) of the City of Zion, Lake County, Illinois. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners

Shantal Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried. Ordinance passed.

ABATING TAX/GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS – SERIES 2012B

It was moved by Commissioner Shantal Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Flammini that an Ordinance (13-0-7) be passed abating the tax levied for the year 2012 to pay the principal of and interest on \$2,160,000 general obligation refunding bonds, series 2012B, (Combined Zion Energy LLC Agreement Fees and Motor Fuel Tax Receipts Alternate Revenue Source) of the City of Zion, Lake County, Illinois. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Shantal Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried. Ordinance passed.

ABATING TAX/GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS – SERIES 2012C

It was moved by Commissioner DeTienne, seconded by Commissioner Shantal Taylor that an Ordinance (13-0-8) be passed abating the tax levied for the year 2012 to pay the principal of and interest on \$1,460,000 general obligation refunding bonds, series 2012C, (Combined Zion Energy LLC Agreement Fees and Motor Fuel Tax Receipts Alternate Revenue Source) of the City of Zion, Lake County, Illinois. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Shantal Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried. Ordinance passed.

ABATING TAX/GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS – SERIES 2012

It was moved by Commissioner Flammini, seconded by Commissioner Shantal Taylor that an Ordinance (13-0-9) be passed abating the tax levied for the year 2012 to pay the principal of and interest on \$2,500,000 taxable general obligation bonds, series 2012, (Alternate Revenue Source) of the City of Zion, Lake County, Illinois. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Shantal Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried. Ordinance passed.

ABATING TAX/GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS/WATERWORKS & SEWERAGE

It was moved by Commissioner Shantal Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Flammini that an Ordinance (13-0-10) be passed abating the tax levied for the year 2012 to pay the principal of and interest on \$2,480,000 taxable general obligation bonds, series 2006, (Waterworks & Sewerage System Alternate Revenue Source) of the City of Zion, Lake County, Illinois. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Shantal Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried. Ordinance passed.

ABATING TAX/GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS/AREA 3 SOUTH SHERIDAN ROAD

It was moved by Commissioner Flammini, seconded by Commissioner Shantal Taylor that an Ordinance (13-0-11) be passed abating the tax levied for the year 2012 to pay the principal of and interest on \$2,200,000 taxable general obligation bonds, series 2004A, (Area 3 South Sheridan Road Special Tax Allocation Fund Alternate Revenue Source) of the City of Zion, Lake County, Illinois. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Shantal Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried. Ordinance passed.

PROPOSALS/ASBESTOS SIDING REMOVAL

A memo (13-DOC-8) was received from Rich Ianson requesting consideration of two proposals for asbestos siding removal for the demolition of the vacant structure at 2017 Elim. Commissioner Flammini stated that this property was abandoned by the owner following extensive damage caused by the storm of July 2011. The property has been vacant for sixteen months and the City has over \$20,000 invested in its removal.

It was moved by Commissioner Flammini, seconded by Commissioner Shantal Taylor that the proposal of Holian Asbestos, in the amount of \$4,205.00, be accepted for asbestos siding removal at 2017 Elim. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Shantal Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

FULL TIME POLICE OFFICER

A memo (13-DOC-9) was received from Chief Brooks requesting permission to replace full time Police Officer Robert Brown with the next qualified available candidate from the eligibility list. Officer Brown has submitted medical paperwork with permanent restrictions making him unable to perform the duties and requirements of a police officer. He has filed for a duty disability pension with a hearing being scheduled for January 15, 2013.

It was moved by Commissioner DeTienne, seconded by Commissioner Shantal Taylor, to grant permission to replace Police Officer Robert Brown with the next qualified candidate from the eligibility list. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Shantal Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

APPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY POLICE SERGEANT

A memo (13-DOC-9) was received from Chief Brooks requesting the temporary appointment of Officer Mike Ware to the rank of Sergeant, retroactive to January 11, 2013, to replace Sgt. Rick Brown due to military deployment overseas. This temporary appointment will ensure an accountable chain of command and allow the shift vacancies to be paid at the regular Sergeant rate of pay rather than paying the overtime rate and therefore is a savings to the City.

It was moved by Commissioner DeTienne, seconded by Commissioner Flammini to approve the temporary appointment of Officer Mike Ware to the rank of Sergeant, retroactive to January 11, 2013. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Shantal Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

PROPERTY TAX & SALES TAX REBATE AGREEMENT/KALOCO 5, INC.

A memo (13-DOC-10) was received from David Knabel stating that Kaloco 5, Inc. has plans to develop a gas station, car wash and market at the southeast corner of Rt. 173 and Green Bay Road. As a part of the project, they are required to replace the existing single-wall tanks with double-wall tanks. To help defray these additional costs, and after review of the projected financial statements of Kaloco 5, Inc., Mr. Knabel recommended the City approve a Property Tax and Sales Tax Rebate Agreement with Kaloco 5, Inc. The revenues to pay the incentive would come from the incremental property and sales tax that would be generated by the operation of this business.

It was moved by Commissioner Flammini, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne to approve entering into a Property Tax and Sales Tax Rebate Agreement with Kaloco 5, Inc., subject to final legal review by the City Attorney. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Shantal Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

BROKERAGE & CONSULTANT SERVICES/HEALTH INSURANCE PLAN

A memo (13-DOC-11) was received from David Knabel stating that, after meeting with the current health insurance broker, GCG Financial, and a potential new broker, Assurance, Ltd., he recommends contracting with Assurance, Ltd. for insurance brokerage and consultant services. The change would result in \$5,000 annual savings as well as access to other no-cost benefits to the City such as access to HR and ERISA attorneys, wellness coaching to help reduce sick time and related costs, and the development of an intranet system which would allow every employee to access their information online. This change in brokerage services would not change the existing insurance benefits or claims administration for employees.

It was moved by Commissioner DeTienne, seconded by Commissioner Shantal Taylor to approve entering into a contract with Assurance, Ltd. for insurance brokerage and consultant services. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Shantal Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

BUILDING & WATER & SEWER PERMITS/KALOCO 5, INC.

A memo (13-DOC-12) was received from Commissioner Flammini requesting approval of the renewal of building and water/sewer permit fees for completing the construction work at the gas station at 4551 Rt. 173 by Kaloco 5, Inc. He stated that the original permits were issued in 2007, with the building permit fee at \$14,941 and the water/sewer permit fee at \$17,220. Both of these permits are now expired. Commissioner Flammini and staff recommended renewing the permits at no additional costs for the existing work, however, any new additional work would require new permits at the current permit fees.

It was moved by Commissioner Flammini, seconded by Commissioner Shantal Taylor to approve renewal of building and water/sewer permit fees issued to Kaloco 5, Inc. for completion of the construction work at the gas station at 4551 Rt. 173. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Shantal Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENTAL COMMENTARY

David Knabel stated that vehicle license stickers expire on April 30, 2013. New stickers will be available for sale on February 1st with terms and rates unchanged. Sticker application forms are available at City Hall and on the City's website.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

January 19	9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon	Electronic Recycling at the Public Works Facility, 3220 27 th St.
January 21		City Offices Closed for Martin Luther King Day
February 5	7:00 p.m.	Zion City Council Meeting
February 9	4:00 p.m.	Zion Community Connections Zion Police Administration Building

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, it was moved by Commissioner DeTienne, seconded by Commissioner Shantal Taylor and unanimously approved the meeting be adjourned at 7:21 p.m. Motion carried.

City Clerk

Approved February 5, 2013