

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE ZION CITY COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2014, AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, 2828 SHERIDAN ROAD, ZION, ILLINOIS

Mayor Pro Tem Taylor called the meeting to order.

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

Also present: Chief of Police Steve Dumyahn, Fire/Rescue Chief John Lewis, Public Works Director Ron Colangelo, Finance Director David Knabel, Building/Zoning Director Richard Ianson, ESDA Field Director Brandon Busch, and City Attorney Paula Randall

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

AGENDA CHANGES

There were no agenda changes.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Claire Erickson, Beach Park, stated that Kringle's Kingdom closed one week before it was to open in 2013. She stated that all responses to all inquiries regarding ADA compliance lead back to Zion. She asked the Council to reconsider their stance with Kringle's Kingdom. She stated that it cannot exist without the City of Zion's support. She asked the Council to find a way to help.

W. C. Bremner, Zion, requested that the Proclamation for the 239th Birthday of the U.S. Marine Corps, being presented for consideration under the Consent Agenda, be corrected by changing the date from November 4 to November 10, 2014.

Charles Fitzgerald, Zion, asked if the upgraded cable cast equipment, for which \$40,000 was approved, has been purchased. He stated that not everyone has Comcast and asked the Council to consider other providers in order that televising of the City Council meetings be more widespread among residents. Gibbie Buchholtz stated that the cables have been run and the equipment installation is in progress. Commissioner Hill stated that equipment will be installed to run the City Council meetings on the City's website and the ZB Guide.

CONSENT AGENDA

Jacob Lenell, CliftonLarsonAllen, LLP, presented the 2014 Audit Results. He briefly reviewed significant audit areas, the General Fund budget, all governmental funds, governmental activities, Proprietary Funds, fiduciary funds, significant disclosures, and the Audit Communication Letter. He stated that no management letter was necessary as the issues addressed in the 2013 Management Letter were addressed and corrected. Mr. Lenell stated that the City records are maintained in good order and the accounting policies of the City are consistent with Illinois municipalities. He stated that he appreciated the full cooperation of City staff during the audit process. Commissioner Hill asked how the City's financial position looks over the next two years. Mr. Lenell stated that he is pleased with the showing of strong progress regarding deficit fund balances. He stated that plans have been laid out to address each area needing attention. Commissioner Hill asked about the Fire and Police pension funds. Mr. Lenell stated that the plans to restore the missed contributions are progressive and positive and the funds are in a favorable position in comparison to their municipal peers. Commissioner Hill stated that last year he asked about the Government Finance Officers Association (GOFA) grant award. Mr. Lenell stated that the application requires the reporting of ten years of demographic information and they are still working on accumulating the missing data. He stated that they are working toward this goal and are optimistic for April 2015.

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

- (a) **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** of a Regular Meeting held on October 21, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.
- (b) **PROCLAMATIONS:** United States Marine Corps 239th Birthday – November 10, 2014; “National Red Ribbon Week” – November 2 through 8, 2014
- (c) **RECEIVE AND PLACE ON FILE:** Audit for Fiscal Year May 1, 2013 through April 30, 2014. Presentation by Jacob Lenell, Principal at CliftonLarsonAllen LLP.

Approved by omnibus vote as follows: Commissioners Hill, aye; DeTienne, aye; Flammini, aye; and Mayor Pro Tem Taylor, aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION/2014 STREET PATCHING PROGRAM

A memo (14-DOC-96) was received from Director Colangelo recommending that the Council pass a Supplemental Resolution for Improvement by a Municipality for Maintenance of Streets and Highways under the Illinois Highway Code. He stated that, during the course of the 2014 street patching program, additional pavement deficiencies requiring repair were encountered. He stated that passing the proposed resolution would allow the City to use an additional \$5,100 of Motor Fuel Tax (MFT) funds for the project.

It was moved by Commissioner Flammini, seconded by Commissioner Hill that a Supplemental Resolution (14-R-15) be passed for Maintenance of Streets and Highways by Municipality under the Illinois Highway Code, MFT Funds for the 2014 Street Patching Program in the amount of \$5,100. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Hill, aye; DeTienne, aye; Flammini, aye; and Mayor Pro Tem Taylor, aye. Motion carried. Resolution passed.

DEPARTMENTAL COMMENTARY

Chief Dumyahn stated that a long, ongoing investigation came to a close this week. He stated that the Police Department has been working with state and federal agencies with a strong focus on gang, drug and gun problems. He stated that details must be kept confidential, even within the department, during such investigations. He assured residents that the Police Department will continue to work hard to rid the community of drug and gang activity.

Commissioner Hill stated that a Phase I environmental study was conducted on the former stadium property. The results of this study called for a Phase II environmental study of the property. He stated that these studies will protect the City if any future environmental issues develop regarding this property.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

November 15	9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon	Electronic Recycling at the Public Works Facility, 3220 27 th Street
November 18	6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Zion Township Board Meeting Zion City Council Meeting
November 27 & 28		City Offices closed for Thanksgiving Holiday

CLOSED SESSION

It was moved by Commissioner DeTienne, seconded by Commissioner Hill that the Council recess to Closed Session at 7:40 p.m. to discuss collective bargaining. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Hill, aye; DeTienne, aye; Flammini, aye; and Mayor Pro Tem Taylor, aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Hill, seconded by Commissioner Flammini to reconvene the Regular Council meeting at 7:55 p.m. with all members present. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Hill, aye; DeTienne, aye; Flammini, aye; and Mayor Pro Tem Taylor, aye. Motion carried.

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, it was moved by Commissioner Flammini, seconded by Commissioner Hill and unanimously approved the meeting be adjourned at 7:56 p.m. Motion carried.

City Clerk

Approved November 18, 2014