

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE ZION CITY COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 20, 2015, AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, 2828 SHERIDAN ROAD, ZION, ILLINOIS

City Clerk Burkemper called the meeting to order.

APPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY CHAIRMAN

It was moved by Commissioner Hill, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne, that Commissioner Flammini be appointed as Temporary Chairman to preside over the meeting. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Flammini, aye; Hill, aye; and DeTienne; aye. Motion carried.

On call of the roll the following answered present: Commissioners Hill and DeTienne, and Temporary Chairman Flammini. Mayor Harrison and Commissioner/Mayor Pro Tem Taylor were 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 Director Richard Ianson, ESDA Field Director Brandon Busch, and City Attorney Paula Randall

Temporary Chairman Flammini led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

AGENDA CHANGES

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

- Delete Item 9a - Ordinance amending Chapter 2 “Administration”, Article XVIII, “E911 Telephone System Board”, Section 2- 661 “Membership” of the Zion Municipal Code per Chief Lewis
- Delete Item 9h - Ordinance to purchase certain property located at 3318 Sheridan Road, Zion Illinois per Director Knabel
- Delete Item 10d - Consider purchase of Ice Bridge located at 4410 Douglas Drive per Director Ianson
- Delete Item 10e - Consider approval of Hotel/Motel tax grant for Kringle’s Kingdom of Lake County per Director Knabel
- Delete Item 13 - Closed Session – probable litigation

The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Hill, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Temporary Chairman Flammini, aye. Motion carried.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION/FIRE/RESCUE DEPARTMENT PROMOTIONS

Fire/Rescue Chief John Lewis and Commissioner DeTienne participated in the badge pinning ceremony in recognition of the promotion of FF/P Rick Reich, FF/P Rocky Campanella and FF/P Dane Costello to the rank of Fire/Rescue Lieutenant.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

William C. Bremner, Zion, reminded the Council of a previous citizen comment session during which a resident expressed concern regarding the shoveling of residential sidewalks. He stated that an Act of God ordinance was in effect in Chicago in the late 1970’s, which has since been repealed. He stated that this ordinance declared that a snowfall is an act of God, and if residents do not disturb the snow, the homeowner is not liable. The ordinance stated that if the snow is shoveled, the homeowner becomes liable. He asked the Council to consider this when making a decision regarding sidewalk shoveling.

Forrest D. McClendon, Zion, stated that he lives in the 2100 block of Emmaus and that the alley to Rt. 173 is dark and unsafe. He stated that he believes this contributes to the violence and vandalism in the neighborhood, burglaries, and unauthorized dumping in the alley. He stated that he has filed police reports but the problem continues. Mr. McClendon requested that two additional street lights be installed in the alley. Director Colangelo will work with him to resolve this issue.

Clyde McLemore, Zion, read a letter thanking Chief Dumyahn and the Police Department for their participation in a Christmas parade. He presented the letter to Chief Dumyahn.

Angie Magana, Zion, along with two of her neighbors, stated that the house next door was vacated a year and a half ago and is now a Section 8 rental. She stated that conditions at this property are causing issues on her property and she believes her property value will decrease. She stated that there are too many inhabitants in the house, lots of garbage, their dogs cause waste issues, and soiled diapers are thrown into her yard. Her neighbor stated that the property is unsanitary, the dogs are vicious, and suspicious activity is occurring in the alley at night. Chief Dumyahn and Director Colangelo will investigate.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- (a) **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** a Special Meeting held December 12, 2014 at 1:00 p.m.; a Regular Meeting held on December 16, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.; and approval but not release of Closed Session Minutes of a meeting held on December 16, 2014 at 8:30 p.m.
- (b) **BILLS:** Vouchers 119993 through 120140 drawn on First Merit Bank, Total: \$539,369.92
- (c) **FINANCIAL REPORT:** Eight months ending December 31, 2014

Approved by omnibus vote as follows: Commissioners Hill, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Temporary Chairman Flammini, aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION/MICHAEL HAMPTON

It was moved by Commissioner DeTienne, seconded by Commissioner Hill that a Resolution of Commendation (15-R-1) be passed recognizing Michael D. Hampton, Telecommunicator, of the Police Department for 30 years of dedicated service to the City of Zion. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Hill, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Temporary Chairman Flammini, aye. Motion carried. Resolution passed.

RESOLUTION/LAW ENFORCEMENT MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT

It was moved by Commissioner DeTienne, seconded by Commissioner Hill that a Resolution (15-R-2) be passed authorizing the execution of a Law Enforcement Mutual Aid Agreement and the Existence and Formation of the Illinois Law Enforcement Alarm System by Intergovernmental Cooperation. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Hill, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Temporary Chairman Flammini, aye. Motion carried. Resolution passed.

ABATING TAX/GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS/WATERWORKS & SEWERAGE

It was moved by Commissioner Hill, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne that an Ordinance (15-0-1) be passed abating the tax levied for the Year 2014 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 Hill, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Temporary Chairman Flammini, aye. Motion carried. Ordinance passed.

ABATING TAX/GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS – SERIES 2012

It was moved by Commissioner Hill, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne that an Ordinance (15-0-2) be passed abating the tax levied for the Year 2014 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 Hill, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Temporary Chairman Flammini, aye. Motion carried. Ordinance passed.

ABATING TAX/GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS – SERIES 2012A

It was moved by Commissioner Hill, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne that an Ordinance (15-0-3) be passed abating the tax levied for the Year 2014 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 Hill, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Temporary Chairman Flammini, aye. Motion carried. Ordinance passed.

ABATING TAX/GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS – SERIES 2012B

It was moved by Commissioner Hill, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne that an Ordinance (15-0-4) be passed abating the tax levied for the Year 2014 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 Hill, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Temporary Chairman Flammini, aye. Motion carried. Ordinance passed.

ABATING TAX/GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS – SERIES 2012C

It was moved by Commissioner Hill, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne that an Ordinance (15-0-5) be passed abating the tax levied for the Year 2014 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 Hill, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Temporary Chairman Flammini, aye. Motion carried. Ordinance passed.

ABATING TAX/GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS – SERIES 2013

It was moved by Commissioner Hill, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne that an Ordinance (15-0-6) be passed abating the tax heretofore levied for the Year 2014 to pay the principal of and interest on \$1,230,000 Taxable General Obligation Bonds (Area 3 South Sheridan Road Special Tax Allocation Fund Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2013, of the City of Zion, Lake County, Illinois. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Hill, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Temporary Chairman Flammini, aye. Motion carried. Ordinance passed.

TABULATION OF BIDS/DEMOLITION OF 2732 ENOCH

A Tabulation of Bids (15-DOC-1) was received from Director Ianson for the demolition of 2732 Enoch Avenue. He stated that this demolition is part of the IHDA Grant which reimburses 50% of the demolition cost. The City Council previously approved matching funds for the remaining 50%. The bid of Lima Contractors, Inc., in the amount of \$29,135, was the lowest responsible and responsive bidder.

It was moved by Commissioner Hill, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne that the bid for the demolition of 2732 Enoch Avenue be awarded to Lima Contractors, Inc. in the amount of \$29,135. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Hill, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Temporary Chairman Flammini, aye. Motion carried.

TABULATION OF BIDS/HVAC MAINTENANCE SERVICES FOR CITY FACILITIES

A Tabulation of Bids (15-DOC-2) was received from Director Ianson for the combined HVAC maintenance services at City Hall, the Police Administration Building, the Public Works facility, and Fire Stations No. 1 & 2. He stated that, in 2011, when Northern Weathermakers was awarded the HVAC contract, there were numerous problems with the HVAC systems, particularly at the Police Administration Building. He stated there has been vast improvement in the maintenance and quality of service. Chief Dumyahn and Director Ianson recommended retaining Northern Weathermakers as the City's HVAC maintenance contractor in the annual amount of \$16,064.

It was moved by Commissioner Hill, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne that the bid for the combined HVAC maintenance services be awarded to Northern Weathermakers in the annual amount of \$16,064. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Hill, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Temporary Chairman Flammini, aye. Motion carried.

ASBESTOS REMOVAL PROPOSALS/2732 ENOCH AVENUE

A memo (15-DOC-3) was received from Director Ianson regarding the removal of asbestos at 2732 Enoch Avenue. This removal is part of the IHDA Grant which reimburses 50% of the cost. He stated that two proposals were received. He recommended accepting the proposal of Asbestos Project Management in the amount of \$5,900.

It was moved by Commissioner Hill, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne that the Council accept the proposal of Asbestos Project Management in the amount of \$5,900 for asbestos removal at 2732 Enoch Avenue. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Hill, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Temporary Chairman Flammini, aye. Motion carried.

NUCLEAR POWER PLANT LICENSE TERMINATION PLAN

Director Knabel stated that nuclear plant decommissioning experts attended the last Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee meeting. He stated that they recommended that the City get in front of Exelon regarding the plans for the lakefront once the license termination plan is completed. They stated that the City should present a plan to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) sometime in 2015 and a public meeting should be held. They strongly recommended that the City engage in correspondence with Exelon and the NRC providing input regarding the City's vision for the future of the lakefront property. They stated that a positive relationship should be created with all parties who may become interested parties once the termination plan is complete. The experts stated that without Zion input, Exelon and the NRC will proceed with the standard plan. Commissioner Hill stated that the lakefront is very important to the City of Zion. He stated that he asked Mayor Harrison to contact Exelon, but the Mayor's response was that the City has had no luck in the past, therefore, no further contact has made. Commissioner Hill asked the City Council to take action to request that Mayor Harrison write a letter to the NRC and Exelon informing them that the City wants to be involved in the plans for future lakefront development.

It was moved by Commissioner Hill, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne that the Council request that Mayor Harrison write a letter to the appropriate agency expressing the plans, wishes and concerns for lakefront development upon completion of the nuclear power plant license termination plan. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Hill, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Temporary Chairman Flammini, aye. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENTAL COMMENTARY

Director Knabel stated that City vehicle stickers are on sale now. He stated that stickers currently being displayed on vehicles expire on April 30, 2015. He encouraged residents to purchase their stickers early and avoid long lines in late April.

Clerk Burkemper stated that Deputy City Clerk Sheryl Spooner and Christopher Szymanski, GoFlo, Inc., who manages the City's website, have been working for nearly a year to update and improve the City's website. She stated that the new site is up and can be accessed at www.cityofzion.com. She stated that the new website boasts a more user friendly menu layout, a red status bar for bulletins, interactive on-line forms, improved search functions, a wider screen, a new Citizens Information Center which features the public's most requested information, and a new "I Want to . . ." feature which offers access to a wide range of information.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

February 3	7:00 p.m.	Zion City Council Meeting
February 17	6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Zion Township Board Meeting Zion City Council Meeting

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, it was moved by Commissioner DeTienne, seconded by Commissioner Hill and unanimously approved the meeting be adjourned at 7:52 p.m. Motion carried.

City Clerk

Approved February 3, 2015