

August 6, 2007

ROLL CALL, MINUTES, BILLS & PAYROLL

Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Clinton, Illinois in session in the Council Chambers of City Hall, Monday, Aug. 6, 2007. Mayor Ed Wollet, presiding. On roll call Commissioners Edmunds, Hickman, Wise and Milton were present.

Written motion was made by Commissioner Milton and seconded by Commissioner Edmunds that the minutes of the regular meeting of July 16, 2007 and the special meeting of July 23, 2007 be approved as submitted. On roll call Commissioners Edmunds, Hickman, Wise, Milton and Mayor Wollet voted "Yes."

The bills and payroll were read.

Written motion was made by Commissioner Edmunds and seconded by Commissioner Wise that the bills and payroll be allowed as read and the Clerk be instructed to issue warrants on the Treasurer for the several amounts. On roll call Commissioners Edmunds, Hickman, Wise, Milton and Mayor Wollet voted "Yes."

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

- Fred Zacher – E.S.D.A. Director – has posted a heat advisory because of extremely high temperatures this week.
- Appreciation coming from the Senior Peace Meal Organization for last year's \$500 donation and a request for continued support for this year.
- IDNR Flood Plain Maps have been produced in a digital format.
- Mayor Wollet will be a voting delegate/ Tom Edmunds will be an alternate -at the IML Conference in Chicago.
- Thank you note from Brady Realtors for Fireworks Donation

REPORT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Mayor Wollet asked Tim Followell/Sylvia Comfort to talk with the Council about a CDAP Grant/ Housing Rehab program. The \$350,000 housing grant could be up to \$49,000 assistance for roofing, heating/cooling, electric, foundation and doors/windows. Sylvia's participation includes heading up volunteers to do surveys at the homes of citizens in need of rehabilitation. This could result in 10 to 15 homes being repaired depending on the costs. Grant application will be due by Nov. 14, 2007 leaving a very short window for completing the volunteer work to be done. The data will remain good for two years if this grant is not received this year. Councilmen are very much needed to back this program.

Janeen Burkholder of the Clinton Daily Journal talked about an idea to hold a couple summer concerts after enjoying similar concerts in Springfield. Already having a stage and electricity to the area of Mr. Lincoln Square helped the idea tremendously. With sponsors and donations coming together the idea bloomed and 2 concert dates have now been set with entertainment contracts for Council consideration later in the agenda. Councilmen thanked Janeen for all of her hard work to put these plans together.

Mayor Wollet went over the recommendations that staff put together for renovations to the City Hall building. Listing the areas that need attention, Tim did an overall sketch of the recommendations before the Council's consensus to proceed with bidding.

Mayor Wollet read Proclamation for City Municipal Treasurer's Week Aug. 11th thru the 18th – our City Treasurer, Clint Lichtenwalter was present to receive the Proclamation.

Last item for Mayor Wollet's report was a summary from the U of I Extension survey of the downtown parking problems. Preliminary indicates there are difficulties with things as small as signage and others slightly more involved. Final reports will be in a little later.

REPORT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF STREETS & PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS

Commissioner Hickman asked Steve Lobb to do an update of the Summer Maintenance Program progress and the East Main St. resurfacing is coming along and hopes to be done before school begins.

REPORT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PROPERTY

Commissioner Wise announced that for the 2nd consecutive year the Waterworks Plant is recognized for complying with the State of Illinois fluoridation laws.

To get a final disbursement from the Illinois EPA for the Water Tower and Transmission lines Loan, an Amendment is needed to the original West Side Water Loan papers – later in the agenda.

REPORT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY

Commissioner Milton reports that for the most part Woodward Park is mostly complete and Downey Park is on the list for completion real soon. Pigeons at the old Magill Hotel remains a problem. Mayor Wollet advises that he will be sending out some correspondence on that subject real soon.

REPORT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTS & FINANCES

Commissioner Edmunds reported that the Hospital is need of replacing a Defibrillator real soon. Placed on File – Purchase of a Defibrillator for the Hospital - \$16,000 (for new) – however a refurbished one could come in less.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Written motion was made by Commissioner Edmunds and seconded by Commissioner Hickman to adopt Resolution #2007-12, Resolution authorized execution of an Agreement for City participation in Façade Renovation – Ace Hardware \$39,900. On roll call Commissioners Edmunds, Hickman, Wise, Milton and Mayor Wollet voted “Yes.”

The Planning Commission at their July 12th meeting heard the re-zoning of Lots 10 & 11 Delmar Dr. for Pinehurst Development and their recommendation was to deny the R1 Single Family to R4 Multi-Family re-zoning. Mayor Wollet explained the Council has 3 options to consider this re-zoning issue – Council can sustain the decision – Council can reverse the decision – or a vote to send it back to Planning Commission with a request to place the re-consideration on a fast track of within 48 hours.

After much discussion about timing issues for the developers and contractors, Tim Followell was asked to contact the Planning Commission on the phone – poll them to see if they can meet this week.

Four to one Councilmen are leaning to send this back to Planning Commission for clarification of their Finding of Facts.

Motion was made by Commissioner Edmunds and seconded by Commissioner Hickman to table the re-zoning until later in the meeting. On roll call Commissioners Edmunds, Hickman, Wise, and Mayor Wollet voted “Yes.” Commissioner Milton voted “No.”

NEW BUSINESS

On File – Engineering Agreement with Farnsworth Group/Motor Fuel – E. Main St. Resurfacing \$10,400

On File – Purchase of 4 Lights for Downey Park from Moore/Warner \$977 each totaling \$3,908

On File - Pavilion at Woodward Park – Shingles from Alexander’s not to exceed \$2,500

On File – anti virus software - \$1,362.90

1st Concert contract for Mr. Lincoln’s Square \$1,250 – 2nd Concert \$1,500 – motion was offered.

Written motion was made by Commissioner Wise and seconded by Commissioner Milton to authorize the Mayor to sign contracts and make deposits for 2 concerts at Mr. Lincoln Square for a total of \$2,750. On roll call Commissioners Edmunds, Hickman, Wise, Milton and Mayor Wollet voted “Yes.”

Written motion was made by Commissioner Wise and seconded by Commissioner Edmunds to approve a West Side Water Loan Amendment. On roll call Commissioners Edmunds, Hickman, Wise, Milton and Mayor Wollet voted “Yes.”

Written motion was made by Commissioner Hickman and seconded by Commissioner Wise to send the Re-zoning of Lots 10 & 11 Delmar Dr. for Pinehurst Development back to the Clinton Planning Commission to clarify their Finding of Facts. On roll call Commissioners Edmunds, Hickman, Wise and Mayor Wollet voted "Yes." Commissioner Milton voted "No."

Commissioner Wise said that the Village of Atwood has invited the Council and friends to their Apple & Dumpling Festival the 18th of Aug. and he would like seeing us attend and in return invite them to the Apple & Pork Festival.

AJOURNMENT

Written motion was made by Commissioner Edmunds and seconded by Commissioner Milton to recess the regular meeting until Friday Aug. 10, 2007 at 12:30 p.m. On roll call Commissioners Edmunds, Hickman, Wise, Milton and Mayor Wollet voted "Yes."

Respectfully Submitted,

Rozella D. Wickenhauser
City Clerk