

May 5, 2008

ROLL CALL, MINUTES, BILLS & PAYROLL

Mayor Wollet opened the meeting with asking everyone to stand for a moment of silence in memory of Tony Taubert, a two term Councilman – that passed away this week.

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, May 5, 2008. 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 Wise that the minutes of the regular meeting of April 17, 2008 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 Milton 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

Mayor Wollet began with reading the Proclamation for National Hospital Week - which our Hospital uses to showcase their employees.

Marge Devore and Judy Burris representing the American Legion Ladies Auxiliary came this evening to present a Proclamation for Poppy Days this weekend.

Mayor Wollet also held up an impressive framed 3000 piece puzzle that the residents of Manor Court Nursing Home put together and presented to him this past week It will be displayed at City Hall.

REPORT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Mayor Wollet asked the Clerk to read motion for re-appointment of City Officials and City Board & Commissions.

Written motion was made by Mayor Wollet and seconded by Commissioner Milton to re-appoint City Official for a period of one year as follows: Steve Myers, City Attorney – Rozella Wickenhauser, City Clerk – Clint Lichtenwalter, City Treasurer – Tim Followell, Public Health & Safety Officer/Sexton of Cemetery – Tom Edmunds, Budget Officer –

Steve Lobb, Public Works Director. On roll call Commissioners Edmunds, Hickman, Wise, Milton and Mayor Wollet voted “Yes.”

Written motion was made by Mayor Wollet and seconded by Commissioner Milton to re-appoint the following Boards and Commissions as follows:

Re-appoint Corwin Burriss to a 3-year term Police & Fire Comm. – said term to expire May 1, 2011

Re-appoint Dr. Harrold Allen to 3-year term Planning Comm. – said term to expire May 1, 2011

Re-appoint Lisa Peacock to 3-year term Planning Comm. – said term to expire May 1, 2011

Re-appoint James R. Morris 2 -year Police Pension – said term to expire May 1, 2010

Re-appoint Joel Hendricks 3-year term Tree City - said term to expire May 1, 2011

Re-appoint John Baker 3-year term Tree City – said term to expire May 1, 2011

Re-appoint Gary Gundy 2-year Police Pension – said term to expire May 1, 2010

On roll call Commissioners Edmunds, Hickman, Wise, Milton and Mayor Wollet voted “Yes.”

REPORT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF STREETS & PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS

Commissioner Hickman reports that the City wide clean-up day went very well.

REPORT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PROPERTY

Commissioner Wise reported that major repair to one of the machines at the Waterworks Plant was fixed within 36 hours after going down – making it very important to get the processing of our water going again.

A project of looking over possibilities of signage marking the downtown business district has come to a point of deciding how much money to invest into the display. After Mark Killough got some samples to choose from, a category of signs in the \$2500 range sounds good with the Council.

REPORT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY

Commissioner Milton announced that for Memorial Day decorations at the cemetery wait until after May 22nd for the mowing and trimming to be completed.

A reminder to all citizens – it is illegal to burn anything – recreational fires are allowed.

May 8th 2008 the Clinton Fire Department will begin to assist the Clinton Ambulance Service on medical calls – this is after they have taken First Responder courses to train the volunteers for this assistance.

Along this same line, David Dallas, training officer for the volunteers, reports that training hours are up over the past several months with a variety of classes.

REPORT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTS & FINANCES

Commissioner Edmunds related a story about a special memory of Tony Taubert when he was on the City Council and summed it up by saying he will be sorely missed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mayor Wollet asked that the Union Contracts – Plumbers & Pipefitters, Police & Fire be set-aside for the moment.

Written motion was made by Commissioner Hickman and seconded by Commissioner Edmunds to approve the purchase of a Dell Computer for the Zoning Office – not to exceed \$2,000. On roll call Commissioners Edmunds, Hickman, Wise, Milton and Mayor Wollet voted “Yes.”

NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Milton said that a plan to landscape at the cemetery actually started last year with weather holding things up however he would like to consider the bids tonight so that this job can get done by Memorial Day.

Written motion was made by Commissioner Milton and seconded by Commissioner Edmunds to approve the low bid for landscaping at the Cemetery – Action Landscape in the amount of \$6,031.80. On roll call Commissioners Edmunds, Hickman, Wise, Milton and Mayor Wollet voted “Yes.”

On File – Redevelopment Agreement – Clinton Unit School District - \$30,000
Building a greenhouse for vocational students.

On File – Application for Low Interest Loans – 3 Water Main Extensions (North Fertilizer, Loop near BFI Rt. 10 East and 1700 Blk E. Main to the Elks Lodge). Basically City can borrow at lower interest rate than investments are bringing.

On File – MFT Summer Maintenance Resolution - \$100,000 – a list of locations will be posted later. In the older section of Hillcrest, sidewalks and curbing need refurbished and \$50,000 of the MFT funds will start the project.

Earlier Tim Followell displayed a set of Conceptual Design drawings prepared by Farnsworth Group of the 60 acres that the City of Clinton purchase from the Moore/Warner Trust located on Bypass Rt. 51 south. Explaining what those plans show, Tim started with the 25 to 27 buildable lots – 6 duplex condos - walking/bike path – park in some fashion and a backdrop of some wooded area of trees. If a developer takes this property and develops it, the outreach time frame could be 2010.

CLOSED SESSION

Written motion was made by Commissioner Hickman and seconded by Commissioner Wise to hold a closed session for the purpose of collective bargaining, employment of employee and pending litigation. On roll call Commissioners Edmunds, Hickman, Wise, Milton and Mayor Wollet voted "Yes."

After returning to open session, motions were offered on union contracts.

Written motion was made by Commissioner Hickman and seconded by Commissioner Wise to adopt a "Letter of Understanding" between the City of Clinton and Plumbers & Pipefitters Union Local #65. On roll call Commissioners Edmunds, Hickman, Wise, Milton and Mayor Wollet voted "Yes."

Written motion was made by Commissioner Hickman and seconded by Commissioner Milton to adopt Resolution #2008-6, Resolution adopting Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City of Clinton and Plumbers & Pipefitters Union Local #65. On roll call Commissioners Edmunds, Hickman, Wise, Milton and Mayor Wollet voted "Yes."

Written motion was made by Commissioner Milton and seconded by Commissioner Wise to adopt Resolution #2008-7, Resolution adopting Labor Agreement between the City of Clinton and Policemen's Benevolent & Protective Association. On roll call Commissioners Edmunds, Hickman, Wise, Milton and Mayor Wollet voted "Yes."

Written motion was made by Commissioner Edmunds and seconded by Commissioner Wise to adopt Resolution #2008-8, Resolution adopting Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City of Clinton and International Association of Firefighters #3069. On roll call Commissioners Edmunds, Hickman, Wise, Milton and Mayor Wollet voted "No."

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Wollet reminded everyone the Council will conduct again a work session on the IMAP study at 6:00 p.m. May 12th in the Council Chambers.

Motion was made by Commissioner Hickman and seconded by Commissioner Edmunds to adjourn the meeting. Motion was unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rozella D. Wickenhauser
City Clerk

