

August 4, 2008

## **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. 4, 2008. Mayor Ed Wollet presiding. On roll call Commissioners Edmunds, Hickman, Wise and Milton were present.

Written motion was made by Commissioner Hickman and seconded by Commissioner Milton that the minutes of the regular meeting of July 21, 2008 be approved as submitted. On roll call Commissioners Edmunds, Hickman, Milton and Mayor Wollet voted "Yes." Commissioner Wise voted "Present."

Written motion was made by Commissioner Hickman and seconded by Commissioner Edmunds that the minutes of the reconvened meeting of July 28, 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 Hickman 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**

Officer Ben Lowers introduced our newest Police Officer, Jerry Causer and his family members present this evening. After being sworn in, Council congratulated him and welcomed him to Clinton Police Dept.

Betsey Davis Parker of the Illinois Gourd Society came this evening to promote the festival coming back to Clinton on Sept. 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> at the Clinton Jr. High. Because they are still relatively small in membership and funds, they would like to ask if the City Council could support this event in anyway possible. They are looking in the future, to expand their festival to include art of various forms bringing in more tourists, which helps our local economy.

Commissioner Wise introduced Mr. J.J. Moffitt of Total Energy Concepts, Inc. Last summer after a lightning strike at the plant that totally put it out of commission for a while, staff at the waterworks plant took a look at Total Energy Concepts. This equipment optimizes electric consumption (15% or more) while it provides protection from surges in the power - external or internal. TEC also offers a very good warranty program along with a couple options for purchase. \$49,700 is the total cost. With no firm decision being made this evening, Commissioner Wise said we will be discussing and looking further into this program. Councilmen thanked Mr. Moffitt for coming this evening.

Roger Cyrulik was last on the agenda under petitions and communications and came tonight to ask if the Commissioner of Public Health & Safety is any closer to bringing forth a name to be interim Fire Chief and has everybody that turned in applications gotten a fair shake? Mayor Wollet assured Roger that everyone has been interviewed equally and fairly. Commissioner Milton said that he has held off this evening to present a name until the availability of daytime hours can be clarified and a question of living distance is cleared.

Paul Dunakey continued by asking a question about the interim Fire Chief position that Mayor Wollet felt was out of order at this time.

### **REPORT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS**

Mayor Wollet reported to Council that he would like to Place on File – a proposal with WHOW Radio Station for promotion of sports of boys and girls in the amount of \$189 per month for 12 months. This would be paid from our city promotion budget.

### **REPORT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF STREETS & PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS**

Commissioner Hickman has not yet gotten the new figures to Councilmen for the revision on our Sidewalk Reimbursement Program. Commissioner Milton asked if the summer mosquito spraying has began and Steve Lobb said it has not.

Commissioner Wise reminded citizens about the timing that brush and limbs are to be picked up and to place them on the boulevard of their yards – not on public property.

### **REPORT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PROPERTY**

Commissioner Wise had no report until later in the agenda.

### **REPORT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY**

Commissioner Milton reports that the aerial fire truck is out of service with Forsythe Dept. being a backup until it is repaired.

### **REPORT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTS & FINANCES**

Commissioner Edmunds with great pleasure presented Clint Lichtenwalter a plaque signifying his newly acquired status of a Certified Municipal Treasurer through education offered by the Illinois Municipal Treasurer's Association.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Ordinance #1126 is the amending the current City Code to adopt 3 building codes – International Building Code 2000 – International Residential Code 2000 – International Property Maintenance 2003 and amendments.

After motion was made and seconded, discussion by Commissioners Milton and Wise took a direction of concern for the individuals that just cannot afford to hire or fix a repair, will create a hardship for those on fixed income.

The exchange coming in defense of the new codes, safety factors for fire and emergency personnel going into a house might have more protection by the building codes. After some lengthy conversations, motion was offered.

Written motion was made by Commissioner Hickman and seconded by Commissioner Wise to adopt Ordinance #1126, an Ordinance amending Title 13, of the City Code of the City of Clinton, Illinois. On roll call Commissioners Edmunds, Hickman and Mayor Wollet voted "Yes." Commissioners Wise and Milton voted "No" Motion carried.

Written motion was made by Commissioner Wise and seconded by Commissioner Edmunds to amend the Cluver Façade Agreement in the amount of \$13,731. On roll call Commissioners Edmunds, Hickman, Wise, Milton and Mayor Wollet voted "Yes."

Written motion was made by Commissioner Wise and seconded by Commissioner Milton to amend the Ace Hardware Façade Agreement in the amount of \$7,445.86. On roll call Commissioners Edmunds, Hickman, Wise, Milton and Mayor Wollet voted "Yes."

Bringing forth a redevelopment grant for a building that has safety issues with a wall of the building, motions were offered to adopt after discussing at some length whether or not the City should recoup some of these investments if the buildings were to be sold.

Written motion was made by Ordinance #1127, adoption of a Redevelopment Grant – Florence Smith, 118 E. Main St. \$6,400. 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 that Ordinance #1128, adoption of a Redevelopment Grant – Darrell Shull, 122 E. Main St. \$6,400. 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 Ordinance #1129, an Ordinance amending Section 3-12-6(A) of the City Code of the City of Clinton, Illinois (allowing permitted fencing for Sidewalk Cafés). On roll call Commissioners Edmunds, Wise, Milton and Mayor Wollet voted "Yes." Commissioner Hickman voted "No."

Last item for unfinished business is motion in consideration of the Firemen's Union Agreement.

Written motion was made by Commissioner Milton and seconded by Commissioner Edmunds to adopt Resolution #2008-12, a Resolution authorizing execution of Contract (International Association of Firefighters). On roll call Commissioners Edmunds, Hickman, Wise, Milton and Mayor Wollet voted "Yes."

## **NEW BUSINESS**

On File – Inspection of the Water Tower & Million Gallon Tank at the Waterworks - \$3,090  
On File – Roofing at Waterworks Plant – Mix Roofing \$16,450 (only bid)  
On File – Amendments to the Zoning Code – Title 12-amending permitted principal uses  
On File – Resolution Amending Establishing Fees –Title 12-Variiances, Sp Uses & Appeals  
On File – Hastings Air Energy – Fire Dept. \$40,317  
On File – Childer’s Door Service – new overhead door – Fire Dept. \$4,263.83  
On File – Black’s Inc. Removal of heaters – Fire Dept \$3,396  
On File - Purchase of 5 Motorola PM1500 Mobile Radios – Police \$8,475  
On File – Service with Ingersoll Rand - \$375 per quarter for Compressor  
On File – Agreement with Layne Western to abandoned Wells #6 & #8 – not to exceed \$19,000

New Business had three motions left for consideration with action needing to be taken this evening.

Written motion was made by Commissioner Hickman and seconded by Commissioner Edmunds to adopt Resolution #2008-13, Resolution authorizing Sale of Surplus Real Estate Adjacent to Clinton Water Plant (behind IGA). 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 approve the proposal of Ben McNees to maintenance three “Welcome to Clinton” signs in the amount of \$750 per sign or \$2,250 for 3. On roll call Commissioners Edmunds, Hickman, Wise, Milton and Mayor Wollet voted “Yes.”

Written motion was made by Commissioner Milton and seconded by Commissioner Edmunds to approve change order for City Hall renovations – removal of sub-flooring on 1<sup>st</sup> floor back entrance – not to exceed \$3,500. On call Commissioners Edmunds, Hickman, Wise, Milton and Mayor Wollet voted “Yes.”

## **ADJOURNMENT**

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Rozella D. Wickenhauser  
City Clerk