

September 15, 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, Sept. 15, 2008. Mayor Ed Wollet, presiding. On roll call Commissioners Edmunds, Hickman, Wise and Milton were present.

Written motion was made by Commissioner Edmunds and seconded by Commissioner Milton that the minutes of the Sept. 2, 2008 and the reconvened meeting of Sept. 8, 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 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

Appearing first before the Council was David Killian representing the Kiwanis Club with their plans to sponsor a circus coming to town on Saturday, Oct. 4, 2008. Because of the charitable work Kiwanis Club does for this community, this request was granted and \$50.00 fee waived.

Written motion was made by Commissioner Milton and seconded by Commissioner Wise to exempt the Kiwanis Club for a Circus Permit on Oct. 4, 2008 to host the Kelly/Miller Circus. On roll call Commissioner Edmunds, Hickman, Wise, Milton and Mayor Wollet voted "Yes."

Next before the Council was a presentation by Western Illinois University – Mapping – Strategic Planning. The team consisted of Gisele Hamm, Laka Ashwood and Jeffrey Nemeth with Gisele to make the presentation to the Council about their mapping program. With a group of committed citizens, a vision and action planning, the community can keep moving forward to avoid the stagnation phase of the community's life cycle. The team will assist the steering committee in a twelve-week program that has a total cost of \$5,900.01

Mayor Wollet thanked the team for the presentation and told them the City Council will be checking into a program and making a decision in the coming weeks.

REPORT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

The last summer concert took place at St. John's Hall due to a rain out and Mayor Wollet wants to thank the St. John's Church for helping out with the City's need.

The Save Our Springs rally was held yesterday and was well attended. A thanks goes to Weldon Springs Foundation for organizing the rally.

REPORT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF STREETS & PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS

Commissioner Hickman reported that the usual street closing on E. Washington will take place during the Haunted House opening during Halloween.

Saturday, Oct. 4th will be the Fall Clean Up Day at the Yard Waste Facility – all day to take the usual items with a reminder of the several items they cannot take.

REPORT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PROPERTY.

Commissioner Wise said well #11 starting losing some of the pumping capacity and after checking it with a camera, it was found to have sediment and rust that slowed the pumping considerably. Sonar will be used to clean it rather than invasive chemicals. Wells #6 & #8 are going to be closed and no more testing will need to be done on those.

REPORT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY

Commissioner Milton reports that the Ariel Fire Truck will be evaluated tomorrow to get an estimation to repair it. Also on one of the newer trucks, the threads on the fuel pump were damaged causing the truck some engine problems. Two agencies are working to see who should provide warranty on the fuel pump.

REPORT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTS & FINANCES

Commissioner Edmunds said with all of the notoriety in the financial markets today, it is important to mention that our City deposits that exceed \$100,000 FDIC coverage are collateralized with Treasury Securities. We are protected.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Some weeks ago a Zoning Ordinance Amendment was returned to the Planning Commission for further discussion and investigation about amending the section that notifies the neighbor of making a single-family property into a multiple or two family dwelling.

Commissioner Edmunds is firm about his belief that a neighbor or single-family dwelling should have the courtesy of a notice of what his next-door neighbor is planning to do with his property. This would give the homeowner a voice.

The motion was tabled at the August 18th meeting. Motion was offered after a lot of exchanges concerning what this change in the zoning regulation is all about.

Written motion was made by Commissioner Hickman and seconded by Commissioner Edmunds to adopt Ordinance #1130, an Ordinance Amending Title 12 of the City Code of the Clinton Illinois Zoning Ordinance. On roll call Commissioners Hickman, Wise and Mayor Wollet voted "Yes." Commissioners Edmunds and Milton voted "No." Motion carried.

Written motion was made by Commissioner Hickman and seconded by Commissioner Wise to adopt Ordinance #1133, Ordinance authorizing Sale of Real Estate (Clinton IGA Inc. \$9,200). On roll call Commissioners Edmunds, Hickman, Wise, Milton and Mayor Wollet voted "Yes."

NEW BUSINESS

On File – Supplemental MFT Resolution – Summer Maintenance 2008 - \$19,830.41

On File – Intergovernmental Agreement between the City & School District #15 – Communication Devices – Wireless Internet Antenna

On File – Lease Agreement Good News Radio – Antenna on Downtown Water Tower

On File – Sonar-Jet Well Cleaning – Well #11 – Layne Western \$23,000

On File – Electrical Bids for Helipad – Triple K \$4,780, Black's Inc. \$2,397, Kinder Co. \$738.90

ADJOURNMENT

Written motion was made by Commissioner Milton and seconded by Commissioner Edmunds to recess the regular meeting to Sept. 16, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. to hear Don Falls present the CCI mapping program.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rozella D. Wickenhauser
City Clerk