

January 5, 2009

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, Jan. 5, 2009. 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 Wise that the minutes of the regular meeting of Dec. 15, 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."

PEITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Wollet announced that the annual Chamber Dinner will be January 24th this year with good food and entertainment – he encouraged all to attend.

Jan. 17th will be a lasagna dinner by C-4 Bright Futures will be held at the Christian Church. Tickets are on sale now.

REPORT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Mayor Wollet reported that the Hospital will be conducting a Diabetic Study - a new CAT Scanner (40 slice) should be scheduled for delivery real soon.

Jan 12th the Council will conduct a work session again addressing the I-MAP – Under Opportunities for Success will be looking at forms of government and the Fire Chief.

At the end of this agenda, the Council will go into closed session to discuss the price of leasing city property.

REPORT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF STREETS & PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS

Commissioner Hickman had no report.

REPORT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PROPERTY

Commissioner Wise said it has been an eventful holiday week for the Water Dept. employees starting with a blown plug that drained over 500,000 gallon of water out of the tower – this mainly attributed to cold weather. After working most of the night, the water crew along with other city staff, did a good job in chipping in to help.

REPORT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY

Commissioner Milton said the Police Dept. has accepted with regret, the resignation of Jerry Bristow. As of today, Policewomen Trudy Karr will be working part time for Clinton as well as working full time for the Decatur Police Department. She is married to Jason Karr and has been employed at Police work for approximately 2 years.

REPORT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTS & FINANCES

Commissioner Edmunds had no report at this time.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Written motion was made by Commissioner Edmunds and seconded by Commissioner Milton to adopt Ordinance #1151, an Ordinance Issuing Taxicab License – Charles R. Williams, Clinton, IL.

Written motion was made by Commissioner Wise seconded by Commissioner Hickman to adopt Ordinance #1152, Ordinance Granting Special Use Permit (811 E. St. Rt #54, Clinton, IL Ernie & April Harvey – preschool & daycare facility). 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 approve an arcade license for Breakers, 211 E. Adams St., Clinton, IL On roll call Commissioners Edmunds, Wise, Milton and Mayor Wollet voted “Yes.” Commissioner Hickman voted “No.”

NEW BUSINESS

On File – Liquor Code Amendments – Mayor Wollet went over each of the changes explaining the purpose and answering any questions Councilmen might have. Briefly the proposed changes include “B” classification – 70% for all sales – financial checks more often if needed – and eliminate TX (extended hours) for restaurants.

New classification BC for Bowling Center – 60% for all sales – after talking about keeping consistency in percentages between classifications – Mayor Wollet said this was a good point and will check into this thought. He would like to decrease the burden rather than increase the paper work creating more of a burden.

The BG classification would change to allow Sunday Sales of food but not liquor.

The last item for new business is the Water Tower Lease Agreements – Council will be going into closed session to discuss the price of the lease agreements. Steve Myers has drafted a template that seems to address some of the concerns that Councilmen were concerned when the first contract came before them. One big item in this new draft is a 30-day out for the City if it is necessary or need of an emergency clause.

CLOSED SESSION

Written motion was made by Commissioner Wise and seconded by Commissioner Edmunds to hold a closed session for the purpose of setting the fee for leasing of property owned by the City of Clinton. On roll call Commissioners Edmunds, Hickman, Wise, Milton and Mayor Wollet voted “Yes.”

After returning to open session with no further business, motion was offered to recess.

ADJOURNMENT

Written motion was made by Commissioner Hickman and seconded by Commissioner Edmunds to recess the meeting until Jan. 12, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. to hold a work session. On roll call Commissioners Edmunds, Hickman, Wise, Milton and Mayor Wollet voted “Yes.”

Respectfully Submitted,

Rozella D. Wickenhauser
City Clerk