

March 16, 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, March 16, 2009. Mayor Ed Wollet, presiding. On roll call Commissioners Edmunds, Hickman, Wise and Milton were present.

Written motion was made by Commissioner Wise and seconded by Commissioner Hickman that the minutes of the regular meeting of March 2, 2009 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**

Marion Brisard of the Area Chamber of Commerce reminded Council that there will be a celebration of "Clinton Night" at the U S Cellular Coliseum in Bloomington. 50 free tickets have been given out and others will be available at a reduced rate for anyone who would like to attend from Clinton.

Matt Varble of 9966 North Ridge Circle, Clinton – President of WATCH Clinton Landfill came this evening to petition the City Council concerning a proposed chemical waste landfill. He would like for the Council to place on file a Resolution stating Council's support of the expressed will of the citizens of Clinton that are in opposition to this chemical waste landfill.

Matt asked if the Council would consider placing a Resolution of Support on file and be willing to give their public opinion. Commissioner Edmunds asked Matt if he could supply some documentation of the background data.

Mayor Wollet and Matt continued the discussion disagreeing on what areas the two previous referendums included - however Mayor Wollet said the Council will be taking this under advisement.

Matt respectfully requested that a Resolution be placed on file on the agenda of April 6<sup>th</sup> 2009.

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

Mayor Wollet had no report at this time.

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

Commissioner Hickman moved an item under new business to his report – the engineering agreement by Farnsworth Group - \$17,870 for a project on E. Washington to be submitted to the Stimulus Act. Time lines to get the paper work done and submitted are very short and it is important the Council take this under consideration this evening.

Written motion was made by Commissioner Hickman and seconded by Commissioner Edmunds to approve an Engineering Agreement with Farnsworth Group in the amount of \$17,870 for E. Washington St. Project – Madison to Alexander (Stimulus American Recovery & Reinvestment Act Allotment). On roll call Commissioners Edmunds, Hickman, Wise, Milton and Mayor Wollet voted “Yes.”

Commissioner Hickman announced that the Street Dept. will be taking the leaf vac through the city on March 30<sup>th</sup> – April 3, 2009

Spring clean-up day will be Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup> at the yard waste facility – usual items will be excluded that the city cannot accept.

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

Commissioner Wise reported that his department will also apply for some stimulus funds to replace/repair water mains – engineering has been done in a previous project and MACTEC of Peoria will be doing an application.

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

Commissioner Milton expressed that March the 23<sup>rd</sup> the Cemetery Dept will be removing grave blankets and flowers on the ground.

Assistant Fire Chief Ray James reported that this year’s annual Fireman Ball proceeds were as good as last year – with the Eagles being the single largest donation from a fundraiser held earlier.

The volunteers will be purchasing a new thermal imaging camera to replace one that is in disrepair.

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

Commissioner Edmunds said that after getting updates on the Sales Tax Revenue in Clinton, the amount has slipped slightly behind where the City was last year.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Director Cheryl Lietz of DeWitt County HRC and Debbie Logan of HRC east came to answer any questions Council might have concerning the proposed clean-up the downtown contract – 2 years.

Written motion was made by Commissioner Wise and seconded by Commissioner Hickman to approve the 2-year contract of DeWitt County HRC for cleanup of Downtown area in the amount of \$59,633 as amended to show addendum #1. On roll call

Commissioners Hickman, Wise, Milton and Mayor Wollet voted “Yes.” Commissioner Edmunds voted “present” because of working for HRC. Motion was approved with a 4/5<sup>th</sup> voted.

Written motion was made by Commissioner Hickman and seconded by Commissioner Wise to approve the purchase of 5 2-way radio’s for public works from Barbeck’s Decatur, IL in the amount of \$732 each plus a \$10.00 set-up fee for each (\$3,710). On roll call Commissioners Edmunds, Hickman, Wise, Milton and Mayor Wollet voted “Yes.”

Written motion was made by Commissioner Edmunds and seconded by Commissioner Hickman to approve 1 new Dell computer and 2 monitors in the amount of \$884.16 (for City Hall). On roll call Commissioners Edmunds, Hickman, Wise, Milton and Mayor Wollet voted “Yes.”

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Ruth Stauffer of DCDC reported that a committee of business and government leaders looking for a way to celebrate the assets that DeWitt County has, as in the way of nuclear, wind and methane to bring new business and enhance the existing business’ of DeWitt County. This committee can be our ambassadors by talking about and supporting green issues in the coming years to bring new growth. The Resolution was presented to the City Council.

Commissioner Wise has a couple of questions concerning carbon dioxide that might need to be directed to one of the other committee members before signing a Resolution.

Placed on File – Resolution #2009-3, Resolution Supporting Green Sphere Global of DeWitt County.

Placed on File – E.S.D.A. Agreement - \$12,000

Placed on File – Budget FY 2010 and the Amended Budget FY 2009

### **ADJOURNMENT**

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Rozella D. Wickenhauser  
City Clerk