

May 2, 2011

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, May 2, 2011. Mayor Tom Edmunds opened the meeting then the City Clerk swore in the new Council members. Mayor Carolyn Peters presiding. On roll call, Commissioners Edmunds, Milton, Crang and Wise were present.

Written motion was made by Commissioner Edmunds and seconded by Commissioner Wise that the minutes of the regular meeting and the Budget Hearing of April 18, 2011 be approved as submitted. On roll call, Commissioners Edmunds, Milton, Crang, Wise and Mayor Peters 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, Milton, and Wise voted "Yes." Mayor Peters and Commissioner Crang abstained.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Pat Sartie representing Snapper's talked about the Car Show which will be held October 7th & 8th and asked the Council if they could expand the Beer Garden. She asked if it could be expanded from the edge of Snapper's to the end of the Chamber building and out to the parking spaces in front of the two buildings. Mayor Peters thanked Pat for bringing this event to town and asked for time to review the regulations and stated she would get back with her at a later time.

Seth Redington representing A.B.A.T.E. of Illinois asked the Council to make the month of May, Motorcycle Awareness Month. Mayor Peters read the official Proclamation, signed it and thanked Seth for coming to the Council meeting.

Camille Redman representing the American Legion Ladies Auxiliary asked the Council to proclaim May 13th Poppy Days. Mayor Peters read the official Proclamation and thanked Camille and the Ladies Auxiliary for coming to the Council meeting.

Mayor Peters attended the tree planting at the Arbor Day celebration and gave her appreciation to the Tree City Commission for all their work on this annual event and the education that Steve Lobb gave the children on how to plant a tree.

REPORT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Written motion was made by Commissioner Milton and seconded by Commissioner Edmunds to reappoint Corwin Burriss to the Fire & Police Commission. On roll call, Commissioners Edmunds, Milton, Crang, Wise and Mayor Peters voted “Yes.”

Written motion was made by Commissioner Wise and seconded by Commissioner Milton to reappoint Debra Martin to the Clinton Planning Commission. On roll call, Commissioners Edmunds, Milton, Crang, Wise and Mayor Peters voted “Yes.”

Written motion was made by Commissioner Edmunds and seconded by Commissioner Wise to reappoint Joel Hendricks & John Baker to the Tree City Commission. On roll call, Commissioners Edmunds, Milton, Crang, Wise and Mayor Peters voted “Yes.”

REPORT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF STREETS & PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS

Commissioner Crang reported that the city wide clean-up went very smoothly and they had 284 total loads. The fall clean-up has already been set for October 1st from 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. She gave information from the Chamber for the street closings for May Days which will be held May 17th – May 22nd.

REPORT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PROPERTY

Commissioner Wise reported that the employees are in the process of finding leaks that get down into sewer lines and old drain tiles. Repairing these cut down on the amount of water that is lost.

Commissioner Wise is on the Tree City Commission and he stated the Arbor Day celebration was very nice. He thanked all the people who were involved. Also, the clean-up day was a success. The only thing he saw were a few things that were not to be accepted like railroad ties and concrete so at the fall clean-up these need to be addressed. He thanked the workers for a good job.

REPORT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY

Written motion was made by Commissioner Milton and seconded by Commissioner Edmunds to reappoint Tim Followell as Public Health Officer and Sexton of the Cemetery. On roll call, Commissioners Edmunds, Milton, Crang, Wise and Mayor Peters voted “Yes.”

Written motion was made by Commissioner Edmunds and seconded by Commissioner Wise to reappoint Shawn Milton as Fire Chief. On roll call, Commissioners Edmunds, Milton, Crang, Wise and Mayor Peters voted “Yes.”

Written motion was made by Commissioner Milton and seconded by Commissioner Edmunds to reappoint Raymond James and Jeff Woodbury as Assistant Fire Chiefs. On roll call, Commissioners Edmunds, Milton, Crang, Wise and Mayor Peters voted “Yes.”

Police Chief Reidy reported that the Police Dept. collected 150 lbs. of unused medications on Saturday in addition to 200 lbs. they had already collected over the past 6 months. The DEA will pick up the medications so they don't go into our landfill, our water stream or into kids' hands. It was a very successful program at no cost to the City.

REPORT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTS & FINANCES

Commissioner Edmunds reported that the sales tax revenue for April was above last years. The whole year was ahead of the previous year by about \$9,245. Figures are still slightly behind what they were a few years ago. Commissioner Edmunds has written to Representative Mitchell and Senator Brady concerning the Governor's proposal to remove the municipalities from the revenue stream of any income tax funds. The City receives approximately \$527,000 of state income tax. It would be devastating to our budget if it was lost. He urged everyone to contact their state representatives and senators to stop the Governor's proposal.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Written motion was made by Commissioner Edmunds and seconded by Commissioner Milton to approve the Third Party Administration Agreement with Mutual Medical for a 4 year term. On roll call, Commissioners Edmunds, Milton, Crang, Wise and Mayor Peters voted "Yes."

By consensus, the Council agreed they saw no problems with the Rezoning Application #353 from Marco Chemical, but would need a proper legal description before final approval. The item will be tabled until a legal description is submitted.

NEW BUSINESS

On File – Clinton Area Arts Resource Team (CAART) Summer Concert Series Donation
\$2,000.00

On File – DeWitt County Visitors Center Financial Support \$3,000.00

On File – Douglas 2nd Addition Bids – Feutz Contractors, Inc. \$695,935.50, Triple K
Konstruction Co., Inc. \$896,150.75, Stark Excavating, Inc. \$606,486.00,
George Gildner, Inc. \$774,664.00, Beyers Construction Co., Inc. \$698,253.35

On File – Wood Fiber – Kiwanis Park – not to exceed \$2,485.00

On File – ESDA Agreement

On File – Intergovernmental Contract Law and Justice Commission, MTU #8

On File – Quote for Grasshopper Mowers - \$20,000.00

CLOSED SESSION

Written motion was made by Commissioner Crang and seconded by Commissioner Edmunds to enter into closed session for the purpose of Appointments of Annual Appointees. Commissioners Edmunds, Milton, Crang, Wise and Mayor Peters voted "Yes".

Council returned to open session to do the motions for the reappointments.

Written motion was made by Commissioner Edmunds and seconded by Commissioner Milton to reappoint Steve Myers as City Attorney. On roll call, Commissioners Edmunds, Milton, Crang, Wise and Mayor Peters voted “Yes.”

Written motion was made by Commissioner Edmunds and seconded by Commissioner Wise to reappoint Cheryl Van Valey as City Clerk. On roll call, Commissioners Edmunds, Milton, Crang, Wise and Mayor Peters voted “Yes.”

Written motion was made by Commissioner Edmunds and seconded by Commissioner Milton to reappoint Clint Lichtenwalter as City Treasurer. On roll call, Commissioners Edmunds, Milton, Crang, Wise and Mayor Peters voted “Yes.”

Written motion was made by Commissioner Crang and seconded by Commissioner Wise to reappoint Tom Edmunds as Budget Officer. On roll call, Commissioners Milton, Crang, Wise and Mayor Peters voted “Yes.” Commissioner Edmunds abstained.

Written motion was made by Commissioner Crang and seconded by Commissioner Milton to reappoint Steve Lobb as Public Works Director. On roll call, Commissioners Edmunds, Milton, Crang, Wise and Mayor Peters voted “Yes.”

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Council, a motion was made by Commissioner Wise and seconded by Commissioner Milton to adjourn the meeting. Motion was unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cheryl A. Van Valey
City Clerk