

September 16, 2013

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, September 16, 2013. Mayor Carolyn Peters, presiding. On roll call, Commissioners Crang, Wise, Milton and Edmunds were present.

Written motion was made by Commissioner Wise and seconded by Commissioner Milton that the minutes of the regular meeting of September 3, 2013 be approved as submitted. On roll call vote, Commissioners Wise, Milton, Edmunds, Crang and Mayor Peters voted "Yes".

The bills and payroll were read.

Written motion was made by Commissioner Edmunds and seconded by Commissioner Crang 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 vote, Commissioners Milton, Edmunds, Crang, Wise and Mayor Peters voted "Yes".

#### **PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

Dixie Walden of the Dr. John Warner Hospital Foundation addressed the Council regarding the upcoming Gala which will be held Saturday, October 12, 2013 beginning at 5:00 p.m. at the Copper & Brass Room. She invited the Council to attend. She also stated the money raised (\$30,000) this year will go towards the purchase of a Message Center (sign) to be placed in the southeast corner of the hospital property.

Mrs. Walden also stated that the tables at Rotary Park are in a state of disrepair and need to be replaced.

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

Mayor Peters announced Trick or Treating hours will be Thursday, October 31<sup>st</sup> from 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. She also stated she received a notice from IEPA and provided copies.

Mayor Peters informed the Council concerning an issue that has come up regarding the Video Gaming. A concern brought to her attention was that the video games are turned off by the State during hours not allowed by Clinton's ordinance to serve liquor. The games are turned off at midnight and on Sundays. The liquor establishments are concerned because the games will not be available during the TX license hours. According to the State Gaming Board, the state is not equipped to turn the games off and on according to each establishment's changes. In order for the games to be available for the extended hours the Council would have to change the current ordinance to allow Sunday sales and extended evening sales. Mayor Peters asked the Council to think about if they wanted to consider a change by the next meeting.

She also addressed the Council concerning the non-highway vehicles and the consensus of the Council was to not pursue an ordinance allowing these vehicles in Clinton at this time.

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

Commissioner Crang reported that the sewer project will start soon after some tree trimming is done in some areas. She also stated that brush and limb pick-up started today and if you don't have them out by tomorrow to not put them out until the October pick-up so the town will be presentable for the Apple-n-Pork Festival. Due to unforeseen circumstances the fall city-wide cleanup has been canceled.

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

Commissioner Wise reported that main flushing started today. He also wanted to thank everyone involved in the memorial on September 11<sup>th</sup> at Downey Park.

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

Commissioner Milton commented that all the work to complete Downey Park was volunteer help. He also warned everyone to be on the lookout for children on Halloween.

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

Commissioner Edmunds had no report.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Written motion was made by Commissioner Wise and seconded by Commissioner Crang to approve the following applications for exemption to the Peddlers, Itinerant Merchants and Solicitors Ordinance for the Apple-n-Pork Festival: Clinton Business Women's Club, DeWitt County Museum, Clinton Antique Mall, Country Junction, Flower Corner/Country Church Craft Mall and Clinton Presbyterian Church. On roll call vote, Commissioners Edmunds, Crang, Wise, Milton and Mayor Peters voted "Yes".

Written motion was made by Mayor Peters and seconded by Commissioner Edmunds to approve Ordinance #1320, An Ordinance Authorizing and Providing for the Issue of a \$750,000 Hospital Revenue Bond, Series 2013, of the City of Clinton, DeWitt County, Illinois, for the Purpose of Defraying the Cost of Renovating the Dr. John Warner Hospital Facility in said City. On roll call vote, Commissioners Crang, Wise, Milton, Edmunds and Mayor Peters voted "Yes".

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Written motion was made by Commissioner Crang and seconded by Commissioner Milton to approve a Yearly Raffle License for Clinton Rotary Club to be in effect from September 16, 2013 until June 30, 2014. On roll call vote, Commissioners Wise, Milton, Edmunds, Crang and Mayor Peters voted "Yes".

Written motion was made by Commissioner Edmunds and seconded by Commissioner Wise to hold a closed session for the purpose of Approval of Closed Session Minutes and Employment of Employee. On roll call vote, Commissioners Milton, Edmunds, Crang, Wise and Mayor Peters voted "Yes".

## **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to come before the Council, a motion was made by Commissioner Crang and seconded by Commissioner Edmunds to adjourn the meeting. Voice vote was taken. Motion was unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cheryl A. Van Valey  
City Clerk