

**CITY OF EARLVILLE
CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION APRIL 13, 2016, 7:00 p.m.
City Hall Council Room, 210 W. Railroad Street, Earlville, IL**

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Michael Hall called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

The following members were present: Alderman Robin Austin, Alderman Ken Bonine, Alderman Walter Grimm, Alderman Chuck Jenkins, and Alderman Michael Konsoer. Absent: Alderman Brock Harp.

Also present were City Treasurer Dave Waldron and City Attorney Mark Anderson.

Visitors at the meeting were Martha Dankenbring, Ben Kerr, Michael Heiston, Wilma Stillwell, James Hall, George Durbin, Pat Durbin, Joan Jones, Jerry Jones, Sue Hall, Tracy Smith, Mark Actis, Rose Stockley, Jennifer Boltz, Rita Novak, and Stu Bloom (Earlville Post).

FILLING OF ALDERMANIC VACANCY

Mayor Hall reported he received a notarized resignation from Brock Harp as Alderman. He appointed Jennifer Boltz to replace Mr. Harp for the remainder of the term of Brock Harp until election. Alderman Jenkins made a motion, seconded by Alderman Austin, to give a voice of consent to the appointment of Jenny Boltz to fill the term and seat vacated by Alderman Brock Harp; Alderman Konsoer made a motion to amend the motion, seconded by Alderman Grimm, to postpone consideration of the mayoral appointment until a date certain of May 11, 2016. On roll call: Alderman Austin - no, Alderman Bonine - aye, Alderman Grimm - aye, Alderman Jenkins - no, and Alderman Konsoer - aye. MOTION CARRIED.

ADDITIONAL AGENDA - None

APPROVAL OF MARCH 9, 2016, REGULAR SESSION MINUTES

Alderman Jenkins made a motion, seconded by Alderman Bonine, to approve the March 9, 2016, Regular Session Minutes with a correction to include exactly what Mr. Waldron said when asked a question by Alderman Konsoer related to the impact of the impasse of the state budget on city finance. In response to that question, Mr. Waldron said, "I have no idea at this point." All in favor by voice vote. MOTION CARRIED.

Mr. Waldron approached the table in front of Alderman Konsoer saying, "I have had about enough of you, period, do you understand me? Keep your mouth shut." Mayor Hall ordered Mr. Waldron to go back to his seat. Mr. Konsoer said, "I consider that a personal threat and ask that the treasurer be removed for all our safety." Mayor Hall

ordered there would be no more outbursts by anyone or he would adjourn the meeting. Mr. Waldron apologized.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Alderman Austin made a motion, seconded by Alderman Bonine, to approve the treasurer's report as read by the Treasurer Dave Waldron. All in favor by voice vote. MOTION CARRIED.

**COMBINED FUNDS ACCOUNT BREAKDOWN
March 2016**

| <u>FUND</u> | <u>AMOUNT</u> |
|-------------------------|---------------|
| CORPORATE | \$203,683.12 |
| SOCIAL SECURITY | \$ 20,812.29 |
| INSURANCE | \$ 28,618.66 |
| AUDIT | \$ 7,674.20 |
| GARBAGE | \$ 7,004.08 |
| UNEMPLOYMENT | \$ 7,346.70 |
| WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION | \$ 18,495.73 |
| IMRF | \$ 18,161.73 |
| MOTOR FUEL TAX | \$199,857.75 |
| TIF III | \$ 26,742.34 |
| 2014B GO BOND REPAYMENT | \$ 2,053.33 |
| WATER | \$247,227.42 |
| SEWER | \$ 42,601.99 |
| 2014A GO BOND REPAYMENT | \$108,816.54 |
| OUTSTANDING CHECKS | \$ 10,352.20 |
| TOTAL | \$949,448.08 |

ILLINOIS FUNDS INVESTMENTS – March 2016

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|---------------------|--------------|
| GENERAL FUND | \$ 46,903.86 |
| MOTOR FUEL TAX FUND | \$ 8,235.49 |

REVIEW ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Alderman Austin made a motion, seconded by Alderman Jenkins, to pay all bills as presented. On roll call: Alderman Bonine - aye, Alderman Jenkins - aye, Alderman Konsoer - aye, Alderman Austin - aye, Alderman Grimm - aye. MOTION CARRIED.

PUBILC VOICE

Wilma Stillwell asked Alderman Grimm and Alderman Konsoer for an apology and correction for a facebook post she stated was false based on her FOIA request.

James Hall stated support of Jenny Boltz as Alderman and asked seated Aldermen for cooperation, to be a part of, and to work together for the good community.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance

Alderman Austin reported the IDOT Local Roads and Streets Compliance Review #55 covering the receipt and disbursement of Motor Fuel Tax funds by the city for the period beginning January 1, 2015 and ending December 31, 2015 has been received, is presented to the City Council and will be filed as a permanent record.

Alderman Austin made a motion, seconded by Alderman Konsoer, to approve the Request for Inspection or Copying of Public Records Rules & Regulations in Accordance with the Freedom of Information Act (ILCS 140) as presented. All in favor by voice vote. MOTION CARRIED.

Alderman Austin said she would like a motion to authorize the City Treasurer to execute an application for a credit card with Pioneer State Bank with the following Department Heads receiving cards and authorization to use them; Martha Dankenbring, Roger Torman and C.J. Plumlee; Alderman Grimm made the motion, followed by discussion.

Alderman Konsoer made a motion, seconded by Alderman Bonine, to amend the motion to set a limit of \$3,000 per designee. ROLL CALL: Alderman Konsoer - aye, Alderman Austin - aye, Alderman Bonine - aye, Alderman Grimm - aye, Alderman Jenkins - aye. MOTION CARRIED.

Alderman Grimm made a motion, seconded by Alderman Jenkins, to authorize the City Treasurer to execute an application for a credit card with Pioneer State Bank with the following Department Heads receiving cards and authorization to use them to a maximum of \$3,000; Martha Dankenbring, Roger Torman and C.J. Plumlee,. All in favor by voice vote. MOTION CARRIED.

Alderman Austin made a motion, seconded by Alderman Bonine, to pass ORDINANCE NO. 04-13-2016 AN ORDINANCE ADDRESSING THE PAYMENT OF CABLE TELEVISION FRANCHISE FEES IN THE CITY OF EARLVILLE, ILLINOIS. All in favor by voice vote. MOTION CARRIED.

Public Works

Alderman Bonine reported trees were donated to Earlville by Shirley Beck Hanson and Public Works planted them. He thanked Mrs. Hanson.

Alderman Jenkins reported the contracting for roads has not begun.

Alderman Jenkins reported flushing hydrants continues this week.

Police

Alderman Jenkins reported that Chief Plumlee reported on the new consolidation of 911. Fire Chief Larry Todd and Fire Board Member Al Fane attended the committee

of Whole meeting stating they favor going with the City in the consolidation. Chief Plumlee recommends joining the Peru group. There is no more information on cost of the consolidation at this time.

Public Health & Safety

Alderman Bonine made a motion, seconded by Alderman Grimm, to approve the continuation of the Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement with the City of Princeton for mosquito eradication services. ROLL CALL: Alderman Jenkins - aye, Alderman Konsoer - aye, Alderman Grimm - aye, Alderman Austin - aye, Alderman Bonine - aye. MOTION CARRIED.

Alderman Bonine asked Mr. Anderson for a report on the Stilson property. Mr. Anderson reported the lawsuit has been filed, the former owners have claim and need to sign off or it will be litigated, and there is one lean know to be held against the property which needs a sign off or to be litigated.

Alderman Konsoer reported property at the NW corner of Winthrop and Ottawa Streets has a flashing hanging down and is a public hazard. Mrs. Dankenbring reported the owner stated he needs to get someone to fix it. Alderman Konsoer recommended he be given ten days from Tuesday, from April 12, to rectify the situation. If not taken care of, there will be follow up with the attorney and the building inspector.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Alderman Jenkins made a motion, seconded by Alderman Grimm, to pass ORDINANCE NO. 04-13-2016(A) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 6-13-2012(A), PROVIDING FOR THE REDISTRICTING OF THE CITY OF EARLVILLE. All in favor by voice vote. MOTION CARRIED.

Alderman Bonine made a motion, seconded by Alderman Konsoer, to approve proposal from Turnroth Sign Co., Inc. for purchase and installation of one 25' and two 20' satin finish aluminum flag poles, at city hall, at a total cost of \$4,938. Mayor Hall informed the council that TIF money may be used for repair and replacement of current flagpoles, the city only has two flagpoles, so the city will have to pay for the third flagpole out of the regular funds. ROLL CALL: Alderman Bonine - aye, Alderman Grimm - aye, Alderman Jenkins - aye, Alderman Konsoer - aye, Alderman Austin - aye. MOTION CARRIED.

Alderman Grimm made a motion, seconded by Alderman Konsoer, for approval of the parameters for City of Earlville "Logo" contest. Alderman Grimm made a motion, seconded by Alderman Bonine, that the cost not exceed \$200. All in favor by voice vote. MOTION CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS

City Clerk Bauer reported to Mayor Hall that applicants for renewal of liquor licenses. There have been no complaints.

Mayor Hall proclaimed May 2016 Motorcycle Awareness Month.

Alderman Konsoer made a motion, seconded by Alderman Austin, approving a request from the Earlville Business Association (EBA) for the closure of Ottawa Street from Union Street to Railroad Street and downtown streets starting at 2:00 p.m. on May 21, 2016 for the Annual Cruise Night and banning any non-EBA activities on the sidewalks for the protection of the public and vehicles. All in favor by voice vote. MOTION CARRIED.

Alderman Austin made a motion, seconded by Alderman Konsoer, approving a request from Earlville Lions' Club for the use of Dodge Park and closing Winthrop Street from Ottawa Street to Main Street for Lions' fest, June 25, 2016. All in favor by voice vote. MOTION CARRIED.

Alderman Konsoer stated that he asked for the agenda discussion items D, E, F, and G to be placed on the agenda as action items. Mayor Hall stated none of the items were discussed in committee and therefore could not be brought for action, to which Konsoer took exception with 13 instances where there was no evidence of discussion prior to action items appearing on the agenda therefore claiming a precedent has been set. Mr. Anderson stated he did not consider that a precedent. Following discussion, Alderman Konsoer made a motion, seconded by Alderman Grimm, that discussion items D, E, F, G, and the making of a rule governing the way motions and resolutions move through the City Council body be deferred to the next Committee of the Whole meeting. All in favor by voice vote. MOTION CARRIED.


- D. Discussion on amendments to Employee Handbook.
- E. Discussion on Ordinance to rescind Vehicle Licensing Ordinance #09-15-2015.
- F. Discussion on motion to commence hiring process of Full Time Police Officer.
- G. Discussion of Ordinance defining City Clerk appointments.

EXECUTIVE SESSION None

Mayor Hall called for a Special Meeting on Monday, April 25, 2016, at 5:30 p.m. for end of the fiscal year bills and line item transfers.

ADJOURN

At 8:12 p.m. Alderman Grimm made a motion, seconded by Alderman Austin, to adjourn the meeting. All in favor by voice vote. MOTION CARRIED.


Jane M. Bauer
City Clerk