

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
APRIL 1, 2015

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 4:30 P.M. BY ALDERMAN HARP WITH ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT.

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS RECITED BY ALL PRESENT. ALDERMAN HARP, SWEENEY, JENKINS, SAWICKI, STOCKLEY AND AUSTIN PRESENT IN ADDITION WERE OFFICER PLUMLEE, MARTHA DANKENBRING, STU BLOOM, TAMARA ABBEY, MERRIBETH COX, ROGER TORMAN, MIKE HEISTON, WALTER GRIMM AND MIKE KONSOER.

ADDITIONAL AGENDA-NONE

MOTION TO APPROVE THE MARCH 4TH COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES WAS MADE BY ALDERMAN SAWICKI AND SECONDED BY ALDERMAN JENKINS.

PUBLIC VOICE- MERRIBETH COX ADDRESSED THE COUNCIL REGARDING THE POSSIBILITY OF ALLOWING GOLF CARTS ON THE CITY STREETS. SOME DISCUSSION BY THE COUNCIL AND MS. COX STATED A LETTER HAD BEEN GIVEN TO THE COUNTRY CLUB BOARD REGARDING THE USE OF PRIVATE CARTS AT THE CLUB.

WALTER GRIMM-ADDRESSING THE COUNCIL ON TOPICS SUCH AS THE WAGE ORDINANCE, FOLLOW UP ON THE PHARMACY MEETING, WHERE THE SAND TRANSPORT FACILITY WAS AT PRESENT AND HE WAS TOLD IT IS IN LITIGATION.

FINANCE-RECOMMEND THE PAYMENT OF ALL BILLS HOLDING NONE. IDOT LOCAL ROADS AND STREETS COMPLIANCE REVIEW #54 WILL BE ON THE AGENDA TO BE PRESENTED TO THE COUNCIL AND FILED AS A PERMANENT RECORD. THE COUNCIL WAS ASKED TO LOOK OVER THE WAGE ORDINANCE AND BE PREPARED TO MAKE ANY CHANGES NECESSARY BY THE END OF THE MONTH. A SPECIAL MEETING WAS SET FOR APRIL 28TH AT 5:00P.M. TO COMPLETE ALL MATTERS REGARDING 2014 FISCAL YEAR. ALDERMAN SAWICKI NOTED CHANGES THE GOVERNOR OF ILLINOIS IS TRYING TO GET APPROVED AND COMMENTED ON WHAT HOW IMPACT IT COULD HAVE ON THE CITY OF EARLVILLE.

PUBLIC WORKS-ROGER TORMAN STATED THAT HYDRANT FLUSHING WILL BEGIN APRIL 6. HE COMMENTED ON THE STATE OF THE STREETS, NOTING SOME PATCH REPAIR NEEDS TO BE DONE. THE CITY VEHICLES AND MOWERS ARE IN GOOD SHAPE AT THIS TIME.

POLICE-OFFICER PLUMLEE NOTED ABOUT THREE VESTS STILL NEED TO BE ORDERED AND FILLING PART TIME HOURS IS SOMETIMES A PROBLEM.

PUBLIC HEALTH-ALDERMAN SWEENEY RECOMMENDS ENTERING INTO AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH PRINCETON REGARDING MOSQUITO ERADICATION SERVICES.

NEW BUSINESS-EBA ASKED FOR CLOSURE OF OTTAWA STREET FROM UNION ST. TO RAILROAD ST AND DOWNTOWN STREETS STARTING AT 2:00P.M. ON MAY 16TH FOR THE ANNUAL CAR SHOW, ALSO, BANNING ANY NON-EBA ACTIVITIES ON THE SIDEWALKS FOR THE PROTECTION OF THE PUBLIC AND VEHICLES.

MOTION TO ADJOURN MADE BY ALDERMAN STOCKLEY AND SECONDED BY ALDERMAN SWEENEY.