

**CITY OF EARLVILLE  
CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR SESSION, DECEMBER 9, 2015  
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 Brock Harp, Alderman Chuck Jenkins, and Alderman Michael Konsoer. Also present were City Attorney Mark Anderson and City Treasurer Dave Waldron.

Visitors at the meeting were Mike Heiston, Sheila Jenkins, James Hall, Tracy Smith, Rose Stockley, Linda Kelty, Martha Dankenbring, and Stu Bloom (Earlville Post).

**ADDITIONAL AGENDA** - None

**APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 11, 2015 REGULAR SESSION MINUTES.**

Alderman Harp made a motion, seconded by Alderman Austin, to accept the November 11, 2015, Regular Session minutes as presented. All in favor by voice vote. MOTION CARRIED.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Alderman Harp 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  
November 2015**

<b>FUND</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
CORPORATE	\$112,814.25
SOCIAL SECURITY	\$ 26,232.75
INSURANCE	\$ 26,994.98
AUDIT	\$ 7,111.30
GARBAGE	\$ 6,844.79
UNEMPLOYMENT	\$ 7,617.00
WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION	\$ 16,810.87
IMRF	\$ 24,363.84
MOTOR FUEL TAX	\$173,824.93
TIF III	\$ 46,453.42
2014B GO BOND REPAYMENT	\$ (2,695.92)
WATER	\$235,439.07
SEWER	\$ 38,050.32
2014A GO BOND REPAYMENT	\$ 33,966.47
OUTSTANDING CHECKS	<u>\$ 467.76</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$754,295.83</u>

## ILLINOIS FUNDS INVESTMENTS – November 2015

GENERAL FUND	\$137,829.86
MOTOR RUEL TAX FUND	\$ 3,928.35

### REVIEW ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

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

**PUBLIC VOICE** – None

### PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY

Alderman Bonine reported on Stilson Street:

Alderman Austin made a motion, seconded by Alderman Harp, to have the City Attorney proceed with action on house at 515 Stilson Street to declare it a nuisance and proceed toward demolition. All in favor by voice vote. MOTION CARRIED. Attorney Anderson stated he would appear with options at next month's meeting.

### FINANCE

Alderman Austin made a motion, seconded by Alderman Jenkins, to pass ORDINANCE NO. 12-09-2015, AN ORDINANCE LEVYING TAXES FOR THE CITY OF EARLVILLE, LASALLE COUNTY, ILLINOIS, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING MAY 1, 2015 AND ENDING APRIL 30, 2016. Discussion followed. Alderman Konsoer stated that in light of economics and the fact that people on social security will not get an increase, he encouraged members to vote against the presented levy and go to last year's levy. Alderman Jenkins replied that the city is really levying less than last year and the city needed to levy enough money to pay the bills. He also stated the appropriation was approved in July. Alderman Grimm stated there is high unemployment in Illinois, Nabisco is leaving Illinois, and he could not support the levy. On Roll Call: Alderman Bonine - no, Alderman Jenkins - aye, Alderman Konsoer - no, Alderman Austin - aye, Alderman Harp - aye, Alderman Grimm - no. Mayor Hall - aye. MOTION CARRIED.

Alderman Austin made a motion, seconded by Alderman Harp, to pass ORDINANCE NO. 12-09-2015 (A), AN ORDINANCE ABATING THE TAX HERETOFORE LEVIED FOR THE YEAR 2015 TO PAY TAX DEBT SERVICE ON \$1,220,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2014A (Alternative Revenue Source) OF THE CITY OF EARLVILLE, LASALLE COUNTY, ILLINOIS. On roll call: Alderman Harp - aye, Alderman Jenkins - aye, Alderman Konsoer - aye, Alderman Grimm - aye, Alderman Bonine - aye. Alderman Austin - aye. MOTION CARRIED.

### POLICE

Alderman Jenkins reported:

- The radar gun is repaired.
- There is a continuous battle to cover shifts.

Alderman Konsoer stated he contacted the Illinois Labor Relations Board, Sarah Kerley, who stated there was no prohibition to hiring during negotiations as long as policies are followed.

Alderman Grimm asked about negotiations. Attorney Anderson replied that no date was set to meet again but both sides are communicating with proposals. The negotiations were initiated in April 2014.

### **PUBLIC WORKS**

Alderman Harp reported that Roger Torman stated:

- The plow hit a manhole and broke beyond repair. A new 1-ton 9 1/2 foot plow is ordered which fits the same brackets and wire harness.
- Tires on the Bobcat need to be replaced.
- The city presses and hauls sludge.
- The city will coordinate with LaSalle County on bidding for MFT street repairs.

Alderman Konsoer asked that the city prioritize the street work and be ready to go out for bids early. He stated the Committee of the Whole would establish priorities at the next meeting.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Alderman Bonine inquired about the Mayor's Association meetings. Mayor Hall stated that city council members would follow the resolution which they recently passed applying to all meetings for everyone.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Alderman Harp made a motion, seconded by Alderman Grimm, to provide internet access for elected officials through a router at city hall and a color printer for their use. Alderman Konsoer made a motion, seconded by Alderman Grimm, to amend the motion to state a not to exceed \$250 clause. All in favor of amendment by voice vote. MOTION CARRIED. On roll call: Alderman Harp - aye, Alderman Jenkins - aye, Alderman Konsoer - aye, Alderman Grimm - aye, Alderman Bonine - aye, Alderman Austin - aye. MOTION CARRIED.

Alderman Bonine made a motion, seconded by Alderman Harp, to set 1:00 p.m. on the Monday prior to the Committee of the Whole meeting as the deadline for submission of items to be placed on the agenda to the Committee of the Whole Chairman. The Chairman will submit to City Hall by 2:00 p.m. the same day for agenda preparation and posting. Alderman Konsoer made a motion, seconded by Alderman Grimm, to amend the motion to set 1:00 p.m. on the Monday prior to the City Council meeting as the deadline for submission of items to be placed on the agenda to the Mayor. All in favor of amendment by voice vote. MOTION CARRIED. On roll call: Alderman Bonine - aye, Alderman Jenkins - aye, Alderman Konsoer - aye, Alderman Austin - aye, Alderman Harp - aye, Alderman Grimm - aye. MOTION CARRIED.

Alderman Konsoer made a motion, seconded by Alderman Harp, to set the Committee of the Whole meetings on the first Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. and the City Council meetings on the second Wednesday of each month to 7:00 p.m. at City Hall. The Zoning Board of Appeals meets as needed. On roll call: Alderman Austin - aye, Alderman Harp - aye, Alderman Bonine - aye, Alderman Jenkins - aye, Alderman Konsoer - aye, Alderman Grimm - aye. MOTION CARRIED.

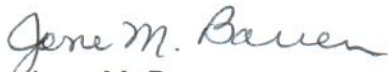
**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 7:39 p.m., Alderman Harp made a motion, seconded by Alderman Konsoer, to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussion of minutes of meetings lawfully closed, whether for the purposes of approval by the body of the minutes or semi-annual review of the minutes as mandated by Section 2.06. (exception to the Open Meetings Act 5ILCS 120/2(c)(21)). On roll call: Alderman Harp - aye, Alderman Jenkins - aye, Alderman Konsoer - aye, Alderman Grimm - aye, Alderman Bonine - aye. Alderman Austin - aye. MOTION CARRIED.

At 7:43 p.m. the council returned to open session. On roll call: Alderman Robin Austin, Alderman Ken Bonine, Alderman Walter Grimm, Alderman Brock Harp, Alderman Chuck Jenkins, and Alderman Michael Konsoer.

Alderman Austin made a motion, seconded by Alderman Konsoer to approve executive session minutes of September 15, 2015, and October 14, 2015. All in favor by voice vote. MOTION CARRIED.

At 7:48 p.m. Alderman Jenkins made a motion, seconded by Alderman Austin, to adjourn the meeting. All in favor by voice vote. MOTION CARRIED.

  
Jane M. Bauer  
City Clerk

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