

**CITY OF EARLVILLE  
CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR SESSION FEBRUARY 10, 2016  
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 Brock Harp, Alderman Chuck Jenkins, and Alderman Michael Konsoer.

Alderman Walter Grimm made a request to participate at the meeting from a remote location via telephone.

- It was established that a quorum of the Earlville City Council was physically present for the February 10, 2016, meeting where remote participation was requested.
- Alderman Walter Grimm notified the City Clerk of his desire to participate remotely at least 24 hours before the meeting date.
- Alderman Walter Grimm could not attend the meeting because of a personal illness.

Alderman Jenkins made a motion, seconded by Alderman Austin, to approve the February 10, 2016, Earlville City Council remote participation via telephone by Alderman Walter Grimm. On roll call: Alderman Austin-aye, Alderman Bonine-aye, Alderman Harp-aye, Alderman Jenkins-aye, and Alderman Konsoer-aye. MOTION CARRIED.

Present by remote participation via telephone: Alderman Walter Grimm. Also present were City Treasurer Dave Waldron and City Attorney Mark Anderson.

Visitors at the meeting were Wilma Stillwell, Fred Nestler, Ryan Richardson, Martha Dankenbring, and Stu Bloom (Earlville Post).

**ADDITIONAL AGENDA**

**APPROVAL OF JANUARY 13, 2016, REGULAR SESSION MINUTES**

Alderman Harp made a motion, seconded by Alderman Jenkins, to approve the January 13, 2016, Regular Session Minutes. All in favor by voice vote. MOTION CARRIED.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Alderman Harp made a motion, seconded by Alderman Jenkins, 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  
January 2016**

<u>FUND</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
CORPORATE	\$ 47,084.25
SOCIAL SECURITY	\$ 24,043.48
INSURANCE	\$ 28,607.07
AUDIT	\$ 7,671.08

GARBAGE	\$ 6,822.40
UNEMPLOYMENT	\$ 7,663.87
WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION	\$ 18,488.23
IMRF	\$ 22,103.89
MOTOR FUEL TAX	\$173,898.77
TIF III	\$ 34,370.00
2014B GO BOND REPAYMENT	\$ 2,052.50
WATER	\$244,213.49
SEWER	\$ 37,626.54
2014A GO BOND REPAYMENT	\$ 69,958.97
OUTSTANDING CHECKS	<u>\$ 20,626.03</u>
TOTAL	\$745,230.57

**ILLINOIS FUNDS INVESTMENTS – January 2016**

GENERAL FUND	\$215,370.74
MOTOR FUEL TAX FUND	\$ 26,787.62

**REVIEW ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

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

**PUBLIC VOICE**

Mrs. Wilma Stillwell stated an objection to the city using their present workers instead of an electrician to complete the lighting upgrade.

**PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY**

Alderman Bonine reported on the abandoned house. Mr. Mark Anderson stated he has the address of the former owners, hope they will work with us, if they will not he will file the proper paperwork before the next council meeting. Gunther Zoellner was the name given for the owner of the abandoned Earlville home.

**FINANCE**

Alderman Austin recommended the adoption of RESOLUTION NO. 02-10-2016, ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE ECONOMOIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION OF NORTH CENTRAL ILLINOIS, pledging support for three years at a cost of \$2,211.00 per year (\$1.30/1,701 residents) to support economic growth and new job creation. Alderman Austin made a motion, seconded by Alderman Harp, to adopt RESOLUTION NO. 02-10-2016, ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE ECONOMOIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION OF NORTH CENTRAL ILLINOIS. There will be no payment made until May 2016. Upon ROLL CALL: Alderman Jenkins - aye, Alderman Bonine - aye, Alderman Harp - aye, Alderman Konsoer - aye, Alderman Austin - aye. By remote participation: Alderman Grimm - aye. MOTION CARRIED.

**POLICE**

Alderman Jenkins reported there were no issues to bring up. Mr. Anderson reported police negotiations are on going, they are trying to schedule a return to the table, and they are ready to push forward again.

Alderman Bonine stated he has a concern about city dogs and would like this issue to be placed on the next Committee of the Whole meeting.

### **PUBLIC WORK**

Alderman Harp reported Mr. Roger Torman shared there is an MFT project switch due to learning that the county will do engineering for the city. Tim, from McMahon Engineering, said that made sense. Bids would be in, in the middle of March. Using the county engineer will cost the city about half the cost of funding an engineer of their own and individually bidding for road work. The city is projected to realize a \$100,000 savings which could be used to repair Ottawa Street and other streets in need of repair.

Alderman Harp said there was a discussion about wear and tear on Ottawa Street and redirecting truck traffic to Northwestern Road, restricting Ottawa Street for use by empty trucks only.

Residents will receive a cross connection survey along with their water bill to be completed due to fact that the EPA now requires a survey every two years.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Alderman Konsoer reported on the lighting upgrade. Alderman Harp made a motion, seconded by Alderman Austin, to proceed with the lighting upgrade at City Hall and approve purchase of the materials with a cost not to exceed \$3,000. Upon ROLL CALL: Alderman Konsoer - aye, Alderman Austin - aye, Alderman Bonine - aye, Alderman Harp - aye, Alderman Jenkins - aye. By remote participation: Alderman Grimm - aye: MOTION CARRIED.

Alderman Harp made a motion, seconded by Alderman Jenkins, to accept the normal ballast bid of \$2,048.44. All in favor by voice vote. MOTION CARRIED.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Alderman Konsoer reported on the "Safe Routes to School Program." Alderman Konsoer is in contact with Deb Nabors, Illinois contact; State Representative Tom Demmer, who said his office would help Earlville and shared that Illinois passed a bill to free up Federal money; and Priscilla Tobias, State Safety Engineer. Alderman Konsoer said the District 3 ADA and local school would be involved in the project. He requested the "Safe Routes to School Program" be placed on the next Committee of the Whole meeting.

### **ADJOURN**

At 7:33 p.m. Alderman Harp made a motion, seconded by Alderman Jenkins, to adjourn the meeting. All in favor by voice vote. MOTION CARRIED.



Jane M. Bauer  
City Clerk