

**CITY OF EARLVILLE
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
February 1, 2023, 7:00 p.m.
City Hall Council Room, 210 W. Railroad Street, Earlville, IL**

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Alderman Osborne called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

The following members were present: Mayor Mark Actis, Alderman Robin Austin, Alderman Edward Farley, Alderman Michael Goodbred, Alderman Bryan Nelson and Alderman Steve Osborne. Also present: Alderman Steve Osborne by remote participation. Also Present: Attorney Nigel Smith.

Visitors at the meeting were Jacob Neal, Chief Crask and Roger Torman.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Alderman Goodbred made a motion, seconded by Alderman Farley, to approve the agenda. All in favor by voice vote. MOTION CARRIED.

Public Voice - none

CONSENT AGENDA

Alderman Farley made a motion, seconded by Alderman Nelson, to approve the consent agenda as follows:

- Approval of January 4, 2023 regular Committee Meeting minutes
- Recommendation payment of all bills be placed on Council agenda

Roll Call: Alderman Austin – aye, Alderman Osborne – aye, Mayor Actis – aye, Alderman Nelson – aye, Alderman Goodbred – aye and Alderman Farley - aye. MOTION CARRIED.

Finance

Alderman Austin discussed holiday pay for full time employees. Alderman Austin made a motion to amend SECTION II, Item A, sentence 2 of the Wage Ordinance to read Full time employees will receive 8 hours pay for each holiday. Discussion followed. Alderman Austin withdrew her motion.

Alderman Austin reported that Wipfli, LLP will no longer be able to server our needs at the past pricing level, we will need to write a Request for Proposal for a new auditing firm. Deputy Clerk Dankenbring stated she would prepare a draft RFP for next week.

Public Works

Roger Torman informed the Council that in October the Marathon Well water sample came back unsatisfactory for coliform, he retested later in the month and test was satisfactory. November test showed unsatisfactory again, he chlorinated the well, let it sit overnight, ran to waste and all raw water samples have been satisfactory since. 10 days ago he received a letter about the October unsatisfactory test from the IEPA. He is working with McMahon on the response to the IEPA.

Police

Chief Crask asked how Item 10. E was placed on the agenda without his approval. Attorney Smith responded and asked if there is a requirement for Department Head approval of agenda items. He was told there is not.

Public Health & Safety -none

Mayor Actis informed everyone that Alderman Chuck Jenkins has resigned effective January 12, 2023.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mayor Actis reported that no one testified at the public hearing on vacating the section of N. West Street.

Mayor Actis made a motion, seconded by Alderman Nelson to prepare all the necessary documents for vacating the 33-foot-wide designated right-of-way portion of N. West Street directly north of North Street and place this item on the Council agenda. All in favor by voice vote. MOTION CARRIED.

Alderman Goodbred stated the need to review the highlighted items on the Draft School Resource Officer Job Description. Discussion followed and decided the Chief will supply the correct information to the attorney, to update the document for the meeting next week.

Mayor Actis made a motion, seconded by Alderman Nelson to make the edits provided by the Chief and move to council agenda. All in favor by voice vote. MOTION CARRIED.

Discussion held on the draft Memorandum of Understanding for School Resource Officer classification. Some changes were recommended.

Mayor Actis made a motion, seconded by Alderman Nelson to make the suggested changes and move to council agenda. All in favor by voice vote. MOTION CARRIED.

Discussion held on the draft Intergovernmental Agreement. Some changes were recommended.

Mayor Actis made a motion, seconded by Alderman Goodbred to make the suggested changes and move to council agenda. All in favor by voice vote. MOTION CARRIED.

Discussion held on Memorandum of Understanding for confidential police officers.

Mayor Actis made a motion, seconded by Alderman Goodbred to move to council agenda. All in favor by voice vote. MOTION CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS

Northern Illinois Municipal Electric Collaborative (NIMEC) contract coming up for bid. This contract covers the water and wastewater electric accounts.

Alderman Goodbred made a motion, seconded by Alderman Nelson to authorize Mayor or Chief Financial Officer to approve a contract with the lowest cost electricity provider for a period up to 36 months and place RESOLUTION NO. 02-08-2023 A RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE PARTICIPATION IN THE NORTHERN ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC COLLABORATIVE (NIMEC) AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER TO APPROVE A CONTRACT WITH THE LOWEST COST ELECTRICITY PROVIDER FOR A PERIOD UP TO 36 MONTHS on the council agenda. All in favor by voice vote. MOTION CARRIED.

CLOSED SESSION - none

ADJOURN

At 8:08 p.m., Mayor Acits made a motion, seconded by Nelson, to adjourn the meeting. All in favor by voice vote. MOTION CARRIED.

Martha E. Dankenbring

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Deputy City Clerk

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