

**CITY OF EARLVILLE
CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION JANUARY 13, 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 Walter Grimm, Alderman Brock Harp, Alderman Chuck Jenkins, and Alderman Michael Konsoer. Also present were City Treasurer Dave Waldron and City Attorney Mark Anderson.

Visitors at the meeting were George Durbin, Pat Durbin, Mike Heiston, Sheila Jenkins, Wilma Stillwell, Pat Waldron, Jenny Boltz, Fred Nestler, Tom King, Sue Hall, Rose Stockley, Martha Dankenbring, and Stu Bloom (Earlville Post).

ADDITIONAL AGENDA

Mayor Hall added approval of December 9, 2015, and January 6, 2016, executive session minutes to New Business.

APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 9, 2015, REGULAR SESSION MINUTES

Alderman Harp made a motion, seconded by Alderman Jenkins, to approve the December 9, 2015, Regular Session Minutes. 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
December 2015**

<u>FUND</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
CORPORATE	\$ 86,763.33
SOCIAL SECURITY	\$ 26,011.12
INSURANCE	\$ 28,600.93
AUDIT	\$ 7,669.43
GARBAGE	\$ 7,194.05
UNEMPLOYMENT	\$ 7,688.14
WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION	\$ 18,484.26
IMRF	\$ 23,980.33
MOTOR FUEL TAX	\$173,861.46
TIF III	\$ 51,500.94
2014B GO BOND REPAYMENT	\$ 2,052.07
WATER	\$240,214.79
SEWER	\$ 45,861.10
2014A GO BOND REPAYMENT	\$ 52,733.98
OUTSTANDING CHECKS	<u>\$ 392.46</u>
TOTAL	\$773,008.39

ILLINOIS FUNDS INVESTMENTS – December 2015

GENERAL FUND	\$178,211.59
MOTOR RUEL TAX FUND	\$ 22,944.61

REVIEW ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Alderman Harp made a motion, seconded by Alderman Jenkins, 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

Wilma Stillwell addressed Alderman Konsoer saying no one is in favor of changing water and sewer billing cycles. Stillwell requested Alderman Grimm produce information indicating Ron Rodnovich or any police officer filed a grievance.

Pat Waldron addressed Alderman Grimm to prove there were grievances filed. She addressed Alderman Bonine in following the ordinance on meetings and reporting back to the city council. She addressed Alderman Konsoer asking him where he got information posted on facebook saying that the city treasurer is paid \$5,000.

PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY – Alderman Bonine reported:

Alderman Bonine asked Attorney Anderson about the progress on the Stilson Street demolition. Mr. Anderson said he had an address and hopes to proceed with the demolition by agreement with the other party. Mr. Anderson also stated he has a stack of paperwork on the other property that is in foreclosure.

Alderman Bonine reported that he is getting quotes for a new electronic sign for City Hall and will have more information next month.

FINANCE – Alderman Austin reported that at the Committee meeting:

- Alderman Austin recommended payment of bills.
- Alderman Konsoer reported the city will realize a \$2,444 lighting upgrade rebate.
- Alderman Konsoer recommended bi-monthly billing for water and sewer billing as a cost saving effort.
- Alderman Konsoer reported he contacted Pitney-Bowes regarding a DM 300 or DM 400 postage meter machine at an estimated cost of \$140 quarterly for the machine and an estimated cost of \$105-\$170 a month for postage which would serve as a cost savings in reducing office staff time of hand stamping. Alderman Konsoer recommended a time study of office staff be conducted to determine time spent on mailing. Mayor Hall was recognized and interjected that would be targeting one group of employees. Alderman Harp stated he preferred the office get an estimate on how long it takes to put stamps on water bills. Then proceed from there.
- Alderman Konsoer made a motion, seconded by Alderman Harp, to place a remote meeting attendance ordinance on the next council meeting agenda.
- Alderman Konsoer recommended all council members study fuel futures contracts by going to mygallons.com and report back to the Committee of the Whole at the February meeting.

POLICE – Alderman Jenkins reported:

- Chief Plumlee reported he looked over some things for negotiations.

- Mayor Hall reported the two sides are close to finalizing a contract.
- Attorney Anderson stated no negotiation meeting is set. He is optimistic about an agreement.
- Alderman Konsoer stated the FBI released a training video on active shooters called "Coming Storm." He recommended Chief Plumlee seek the video and use it for training police officers.

PUBLIC WORKS – Alderman Harp reported:

Mr. Roger Torman reported:

- Screen parts ordered for the treatment plant in the fall from Germany arrived and are installed.
- Underground wiring went bad and the treatment plant pumps had to be manually turned on and off throughout the New Year's Day.
- MFT project was ready to put out for bid. He stated a problem with the cape seal. Nick is checking on alternatives to sealant for downtown streets. They can apply slurry sealant for 1/3 the cost of traditional sealants. Harp reported projects are prioritized ready for estimates and bids.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Alderman Konsoer made a motion, seconded by Alderman Grimm, to approve quotes from CDW-G for \$995.00 for hardware and \$2,544.73 for software to manage e-mail accounts for the city. On roll call: Alderman Konsoer-aye, Alderman Austin-aye, Alderman Grimm - aye, Alderman Harp - aye, Alderman Bonine - aye, Alderman Jenkins - aye. MOTION CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS

- Alderman Konsoer made a motion, seconded by Alderman Grimm, to approve ORDINANCE NO. 01-13-2016 AN ORDINANCE DEFINING MEETING AND ADOPTING PROCEDURES FOR REMOTE PARTICIPATION. On roll call: Alderman Grimm - aye, Alderman Jenkins - aye, Alderman Harp - aye, Alderman Bonine - aye, Alderman Konsoer - aye, Alderman Austin - aye. MOTION CARRIED.
- The council asked City Attorney Anderson to 1) prepare a sand transfer licensing fee proposal, 2) prepare a cable company bid letter for the city, and 3) study the validity of Ordinance 05-16-2012 related to the mayor's appointment, with council approval, of part time police officers. Mr. Anderson advised the council that there is an annexation agreement in place with the sand facility and they cannot add anything. Mr. Anderson will be gone for the next Committee of the Whole meeting but will send Mr. Vickers to advise, if possible.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

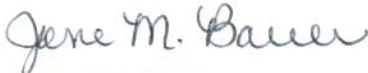
- At 7:42 p.m., Alderman Harp made a motion, seconded by Alderman Konsoer, to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing minutes of meetings lawfully closed, whether for purpose of approval by the body of the minutes or semi-annual review of the minutes as mandated by Section 2:06. (exception to the Open Meetings Act 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21)). Upon ROLL CALL: Alderman Austin - aye, Alderman Bonine - aye, Alderman Grimm - aye, Alderman Harp - aye, Alderman Jenkins - aye, Alderman Konsoer - aye. MOTION CARRIED.

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION

- At 7:54 p.m. the City Council returned to regular session. Upon 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.
- Alderman Konsoer made a motion, seconded by Alderman Harp, to approve executive session minutes of the City of Earlville City Council December 9, 2015, and January 6, 2016. All in favor by voice vote. MOTION CARRIED.
- Alderman Austin made a motion, seconded by Alderman Bonine, to adopt RESOLUTION NO 01-13-2016 (Releasing/Holding Closed Session Minutes). Upon ROLL CALL: Alderman Konsoer - aye, Alderman Jenkins – aye, Alderman Harp – aye, Alderman Grimm – aye, Alderman Bonine – aye, Alderman Austin - aye. MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURN

At 7:56 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

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