

**CITY OF EARLVILLE
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
January 2, 2019, 7:00 p.m.
City Hall Council Room, 210 W. Railroad St., Earlville, IL**

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

ROLL CALL

On roll call the following members were present: Mayor Mike Hall, Alderman Mark Actis, Alderman Robin Austin, Alderman Ken Bonine, Alderman Walter Grimm, Alderman Chuck Jenkins, and Alderman Michael Konsoer.

Visitors at the meeting were Jerry Jones, Joan Jones, Sheila Jenkins, Wilma Stillwell, Beverly Malkey, Martha Dankenbring, Tom King, Sue Hall, Roger Toman, Chief of Police Darin Crask, and Stu Bloom (Earlville Post).

ADDITIONAL AGENDA

None

APPROVAL OF MIINUTES

Alderman Actis made a motion, seconded by Alderman Bonine, to accept the December 5, 2018 regular Committee Meeting minutes. Discussion followed. Alderman Konsoer made a motion, seconded by Alderman Grimm, to amend the minutes adding there was no agreement made with respect to any salary increase upon the completion of the probationary period and Alderman Konsoer requested a letter that he presented to Chief Crask be attached to the meeting minutes. Alderman Jenkins called the amendment to vote. On roll call: Mayor Hall – nay, Alderman Actis – nay, Alderman Austin – nay, Alderman Bonine – aye, Alderman Grimm – aye, Alderman Jenkins – nay, and Alderman Konsoer – nay. Aye 3: Nay 4. MOTION TO AMEND MINUTES FAILED. Alderman Jenkins called the main motion to vote. On roll call: Alderman Konsoer – nay, Alderman Jenkins – aye, Alderman Grimm – nay, Alderman Bonine – nay, Alderman Austin – aye, Alderman Actis – aye, Mayor Hall - aye. Aye 4: Nay 3. MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC VOICE

Tom King questioned the water bill mailing, the absences from the city office, and stated he is watching city hall with his cameras.

FINANCE

Alderman Austin made a motion, seconded by Alderman Jenkins, that payment of the bills be placed on the city council agenda. All in favor by voice vote. MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC WORKS

Alderman Actis made a motion, seconded by Alderman Austin, that a recommendation to hire Andrew Cook as a part time, on-call, employee at a rate of \$18.00 per hour be placed on the regular city council agenda. Alderman Konsoer objected to the process stating the job was not posted, Alderman Grimm stated the city was open for a lawsuit,

and Alderman Bonine stated the city was not following procedures. On roll call: Alderman Konsoer – nay, Alderman Austin – aye, Alderman Actis – aye, Alderman Bonine – nay, Alderman Grimm – nay, Alderman Jenkins – aye, and Mayor Hall – aye. Aye 4: Nay 3. MOTION CARRIED.

POLICE

Chief Crask will provide the council with the cost for suiting a police officer.

PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY

No report

NEW BUSINESS

Alderman Konsoer made a motion, seconded by Alderman Grimm to move a resolution to declare the structure as 136 Railroad Street a public nuisance and issue an order of abatement in 30 days, pursuant to the City Code, Dilapidated Buildings, Sect. 26-54 to the regular city council meeting. The building has become dilapidated as defined in Sect 26-53(a), 26-53(b) 7 and 12. On roll call: Alderman Grimm – aye, Alderman Actis – nay, Alderman Bonine – aye, Alderman Jenkins – nay, Alderman Konsoer – aye, Alderman Austin – nay, and Mayor Hall – nay. Aye 3: Nay 4. MOTION FAILED.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No report

NEW BUSINESS

Continued

Alderman Konsoer made a motion, seconded by Alderman Grimm to move a resolution to declare the structure as 115 Ottawa Street a public nuisance and issue an order of abatement in 30 days, pursuant to the City Code, Dilapidated Buildings, Sect. 26-54 and move to the regular city council meeting. The building has become dilapidated as defined in Sect 26-53(a), 26-53(b) 3. On roll call: Mayor Hall – nay, Alderman Konsoer – aye, Alderman Actis – nay, Alderman Grimm – nay, Alderman Jenkins – nay, Alderman Austin – nay, Alderman Bonine – aye. Aye 3: Nay 4. MOTION FAILED.

CLOSED SESSION

None

ADJOURN

At 7:40 p.m., Alderman Actis made a motion, seconded by Mayor Hall, to adjourn the meeting. All in favor by voice vote. MOTION CARRIED.

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