

**CITY OF EARLVILLE**  
**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING**  
January 3, 2018, 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 Chuck Jenkins, and Alderman Michael Konsoer. Absent: Alderman Walter Grimm.

Alderman Grimm requested Remote Participation.

With a quorum of the council physically present, Alderman Austin made a motion, seconded by Alderman Konsoer, to approve remote participation by Alderman Grimm. On roll call: Alderman Actis – nay, Alderman Austin – aye, Alderman Bonine – aye, Alderman Jenkins – aye, Alderman Konsoer – aye. Ayes – 5; Nays – 1. MOTION CARRIED.

Visitors at the meeting were Sheila Jenkins, Joan Jones, Jerry Jones, Bev Malkey, Jenny Boltz, Wilma Stillwell, Martha Dankenbring, Alfonzo Valdez, Ryan Richardson, Heather Richardson, Holly Isbell, Roger Torman, Tom King, and Stu Bloom (Earlville Post).

**ADDITIONAL AGENDA**

Alderman Bonine asked about the status of Stilson Street property. Alderman Jenkins recommended this be moved to the regular council meeting as there was no report available for the committee meeting.

**APPROVAL OF MIINUTES**

Alderman Actis made a motion, seconded by Alderman Jenkins, to accept the December 6, 2017, Minutes. All in favor by voice vote. MOTION CARRIED.

**PUBLIC VOICE**

Mr. King responded to the Mayor's state of the city report by saying the town was decaying, there was no money, no master plan. He questioned the office wages and sidewalk program.

**FINANCE**

Alderman Austin made a motion, seconded by Alderman Actis, 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 Konsoer, to purchase 2 – 9 ton truck, 6 – arrow, and 6 – truck route load limit road signs to be posted in town and move to the regular council meeting. All in favor by voice vote. MOTION CARRIED. After the vote, it was decided this is a maintenance issue and the signs will be ordered.

Alderman Actis discussed the possible 2018 Motor Fuel Tax street maintenance project. He and Mr. Torman recommended cape seal for East Street, Church Street between Ottawa and Stilson streets, and Greenridge Avenue; tar and chip for East 12<sup>th</sup> Road and N 45<sup>th</sup> by old Marathon Building. The Motor Fuel Tax will cover all of this and there will still be some money left over. There is no official estimate of cost at this time.

Mr. Torman recommended that residents leave a trickle of water running because if the lines freeze, he cannot help them.

Alderman Jenkins commended Mr. Torman and his crew for their snow removal during Christmas.

Alderman Actis clarified that garbage and recycling pick up would be on Saturday, January 6, due to the Monday holiday.

## **POLICE**

Alderman Bonine inquired about the city stickers that were sold, warnings and tickets issued.

Alderman Konsoer stated that the city paid for a data base of vehicles that were registered to city addresses and asked if anyone has taken time to cross-reference it. Mrs. Dankenbring stated the city purchased the data base from the state the first year, at a cost of \$500, and used it. If the city would want to purchase it again you would need to approve it, the use of the state data base was not authorized on a continuing basis.

EMT Director, Mrs. Jenny Boltz, thanked the police for their assistance in emergency situations.

Alderman Konsoer stated January 9, is National Police Recognition Day and he recommended the council recognize the Earlville Police at the January Council meeting.

## **PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY**

Alderman Actis discussed approval of changes in regard to solicitation permits. Alderman Actis and Alderman Konsoer met with attorney Anderson regarding solicitation. The outcome of the meeting to date is that Paw Paw has a good ordinance, the city needs an issuer – either the mayor or the police chief, there could be fees as high as \$100 for solicitation, and if “no solicitation” sign is posted, solicitors cannot approach the property. Alderman Actis made a motion, seconded by Alderman Austin, to move discussion of solicitation permits to the regular council meeting. All in favor by voice vote. MOTION CARRIED.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Mrs. Dankenbring reported that the marked-up copy of the sidewalk program was submitted to the attorney for review. Alderman Konsoer noted on place where the word “feet” needs to be added for clarification. Alderman Actis made a motion, seconded by Alderman Konsoer, to move discussion and approval of the revised Sidewalk Program to the regular council meeting. All in favor by voice vote. MOTION CARRIED.

Alderman Actis made a motion, seconded by Alderman Konsoer to move passage of ORDINANCE NO. 01-10-2018 AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING A POLICY PROHIBITING SEXUAL HARASSMENT FOR THE CITY OF EARLVILLE to the city council meeting. All in favor by voice vote. MOTION CARRIED.

Alderman Grimm made a motion, seconded by Alderman Austin, to move changes in the Employee Handbook following passage of the Sexual Harassment Ordinance, to the regular council meeting. All in favor by voice vote. MOTION CARRIED.

Alderman Actis asked to table the discussion of possible web cam live-streaming of committee and council meetings until the February meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Alderman Konsoer discussed the website and its hot links to the municipal code. Mrs. Dankenbring stated that not all ordinances need to be codified.

Alderman Konsoer asked if citizens could pay for city vehicle stickers through e-pay. Mrs. Dankenbring explained the city needs to have documents sent to them and the way to do that is not set up at this time.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION – none**

**ADJOURN**

At 7:59 p.m., Alderman Actis made a motion, seconded by Alderman Austin, to adjourn the meeting. All in favor by voice vote. MOTION CARRIED.

*Jane M. Bauer*

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City Clerk

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