

**CITY OF EARLVILLE
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
June 5, 2019, 7:00 p.m.
City Hall Council Room, 210 W. Railroad St., Earlville, IL**

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

ROLL CALL

The following members were present: Mayor Mike Hall, Alderman Mark Actis, Alderman Robin Austin, Alderman Edward Farley, Alderman Michael Goodbred, Alderman Chuck Jenkins, and Alderman Steven Osborne.

Visitors at the meeting were Sheila Jenkins, Joan Jones, Jerry Jones, Ken Bonine, Tom King, Bev Malkey, Wilma Stillwell, Mike Konsoer, Walter Grimm, Tom Sullivan, Chief Darin Crask, Jim Pozzi (Republic Services) and Stu Bloom (Earlville Post).

ADDITIONAL AGENDA - none

Alderman Actis reminded committee members to speak into the microphones and anyone addressing the Committee of the Whole move to the podium and use the microphone there so that everyone may hear. He announced that there are individual assisted hearing devices for those who have a problem hearing during the meeting. No one requested an assisted hearing device.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Alderman Jenkins made a motion, seconded by Alderman Austin, to approve the May 1, 2019, regular Committee of the Whole Meeting minutes. All in favor by voice vote.
MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC VOICE

Chairman Actis read the Public Comment Policy.

Mr. King spoke in regard to the deficit spending in past years, asked what the administration has done for the city, hazardous sidewalks and boarded up windows.

Mr. Konsoer spoke in regard to the damaged soffit in the downtown and tree that came down damaging his neighbor's home.

Mr. Bonine spoke in regard to ordinances not being enforced.

Alderman Actis requested to move PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY Item A up on the agenda.

PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY

Jim Pozzi, Republic Services, described the recycling processing charge that will be a part of the contract. He stated that Earlville has over 75% participation rate for recycling which is high. The city does have the option to discontinue recycling service. Alderman Farley asked why the annual increase went from 3% per year to 4%. Mr. Pozzi stated that is to cover Republic's administrative fees. Republic's management team said that could not be changed but they would be willing to enter into a 7 year contract at the proposed 10 year pricing. He was asked if there was any idea about recycling processing charges in the future. Mr. Pozzi responded that it depends on what is happening in the recycling arena each year and cannot be predicted.

Alderman Jenkins made a motion, seconded by Alderman Osborne to place acceptance of a 7 year contract, with the proposed 10 year contract pricing, from Republic Services on the Council agenda. On roll call: Alderman Farley – aye, Alderman Goodbred – aye, Alderman Osborne – aye, Alderman Austin – aye, Alderman Jenkins – aye, Alderman Actis – aye, Mayor Hall – aye. MOTION CARRIED.

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.

Alderman Austin stated the auditors will be at City Hall on June 11th & 12th.

Alderman Austin asked if there were any questions and/or changes that need to be made on the proposed appropriation worksheet pages. Alderman Actis made 2 corrections to year-to-date figures in the Street Department. Martha Dankenbring explained the REPAIRS – Special Project line item, in the Sewer Fund, was to track all costs for the 2019 Sanitary Sewer Cleaning and Televising Project. The proposed appropriation figures will be finalized at the July Committee of the Whole meeting.

PUBLIC WORKS

Alderman Actis reported that all sewer lines west of the creek, with the exception of the trailer park have been cleaned and televised. They will begin east of the creek next week. There have been no major problems identified to date.

POLICE

Alderman Jenkins thanked the Chief for staying under the budget figures last year.

Alderman Jenkins reported that Officer Scott Nuftul has resigned his full-time police officer position and would like to be a part time officer.

Mayor Hall stated that he intends to appoint Scott Nuftul and Nicolas Joe Frederick, who has applied and been vetted by Chief Crask, as part time officers at the Council meeting next week.

Chief Crask asked the Alderman to look over the draft of an Impound Ordinance he is proposing, Earlville does not have one. It is industry standard and another way to deter people from violating the law. He invited Alderman to see him with any questions and to be ready to discuss this further at the July Committee of the Whole meeting.

PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY

Alderman Farley made a motion, seconded by Alderman Austin to place approval of the Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement with Princeton, IL for mosquito eradication services on the Council agenda. There was no change in cost. All in favor by voice vote. MOTION CARRIED.

Alderman Farley stated that an amendment to the city code regarding tobacco is being drafted due to the state changing the age requirements, which goes into effect July 1, 2019. Alderman Jenkins made a motion, seconded by Alderman Austin to place an ordinance amendment regarding the sale and possession of smoking materials on the Council agenda. All in favor by voice vote. MOTION CARRIED.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Alderman Actis asked for discussion on possible changes to the Public Comment Policy. He stated he wanted to change the time limit from 5 minutes to 3 minutes and add the following language: Members of the public are expected to comply with these rules. Any individual in violation of these rules shall be deemed out-of-order by the presiding officer and his/her time to address the meeting shall end. An individual who violates these rules may be removed from the meeting at the discretion of the presiding officer. Discussion will continue at the next Committee of the Whole meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Alderman Actis asked for discussion on the application received for a Temporary Use & Public Gatherings Permit that has been received.

Mayor Hall stated that the Council just passed this ordinance last month and it clearly states that the application must be received no less than 90 days before the event. This application does not meet that criteria. We would be ill served to make an exception on an ordinance we just put in place. The applicant could amend the application to change to a date that follows the ordinance.

CLOSED SESSION - none

ADJOURN

At 8:12 p.m., Alderman Jenkins made a motion, seconded by Alderman Osborne, to adjourn the meeting. All in favor by voice vote.

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