

**CITY OF EARLVILLE
CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION, June 8, 2016, 7:00 p.m.
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 Chuck Jenkins, and Alderman Michael Konsoer. Also present were City Treasurer Dave Waldron and City Attorney Mark Anderson.

Visitors at the meeting were Shelia Jenkins, Wilma Stillwell, Ed Taylor, Sue Hall, George Durbin, Pat Durbin, Mark Actis, Jim Baird, Jerry Jones, Joan Jones, Pat Waldron, Gary Buffington, Rose Stockley, Tamara Abbey (News Tribune), and Stu Bloom (Earlville Post).

FILLING OF ALDERMANIC VACANCY

Mayor Hall stated the motion from May 11, 2016, made by Alderman Austin, seconded by Alderman Jenkins, to give a voice of consent to the appointment of Mark Actis to fill the aldermanic vacancy from the resignation of Brock Harp for the remainder of the term until the next election. On roll call: Alderman Bonine - aye, Alderman Grimm - aye, Alderman Jenkins- aye, Alderman Konsoer - aye, and Alderman Austin - aye. MOTION CARRIED.

Deputy Clerk Martha Dankenbring gave the Oath of Office to newly appointed Alderman Mark Actis.

ADDITIONAL AGENDA – Alderman Grimm asked Mayor Hall about an annual report to the corporate authorities about the affairs of the municipality. Mayor responded that he reports items from time to time. Attorney Anderson will look at the statute and will give his recommendations to the mayor and council at the next meeting.

APPROVAL OF MAY 11, 2016, REGULAR SESSION MINUTES

Alderman Bonine made a motion, seconded by Alderman Konsoer, to approve the May 11, 2016 Regular Session Minutes. All in favor by voice vote. MOTION CARRIED.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Alderman Jenkins made a motion, seconded by Alderman Austin, 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
May 2016**

FUND	AMOUNT
CORPORATE	\$123,087.64
SOCIAL SECURITY	\$ 17,507.28
INSURANCE	\$ 28,630.72
AUDIT	\$ 7,677.42
GARBAGE	\$ 6,509.59
UNEMPLOYMENT	\$ 7,349.81
WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION	\$ 18,503.54
IMRF	\$ 14,560.80
MOTOR FUEL TAX	\$197,261.24
TIF III	\$ 15,096.38
2014B GO BOND REPAYMENT	\$ 753.90
WATER	\$260,523.21
SEWER	\$ 47,549.39
2014A GO BOND REPAYMENT	\$134,735.94
OUTSTANDING CHECKS	\$ 17,381.44
TOTAL	\$900,128.30

ILLINOIS FUNDS INVESTMENTS – May 2016

GENERAL FUND	\$100,877.92
MOTOR FUEL TAX FUND	\$ 15,325.58

REVIEW ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Alderman Austin made a motion, seconded by Alderman Actis, to pay all bills as presented. On roll call: Alderman Konsoer - aye, Alderman Austin - aye, Alderman Grimm - aye, Alderman Bonine - aye, Alderman Actis – aye, Alderman Jenkins - aye.
MOTION CARRIED.

PUBILC VOICE

Wilma Stillwell stated the new alderman want to eliminate the position of deputy clerk, are trying to change things that have run smoothly, pushed for immediate hiring of 3rd police officer to eliminate vandalism - but you cannot be everywhere all of the time - vandalism will still happen, and posted untruths on social media. You took office to work for us, the people of Earlville, not against us.

Sue Hall stated she is speaking as a citizen, not the Mayor's wife. After attending the committee meeting she had questions on various subjects including the 4th full time officer, watching the bathrooms, getting rid of the deputy clerk and micro-managing employee's schedules.

Jerry Jones welcomed Mark Actis to being an alderman. Mr. Jones asked various questions of the alderman and stated he felt they were proposing to change things that do not need to be changed. Why can't you all work together with the Mayor, Clerk and employees?

James Baird stated he thought that the actions of the 3 new alderman seemed to always oppose the Mayor. Their negative attitudes are wearing thin with many of the

Earlville citizens. You were elected to act in the best interests of the people. I ask that you please look at the issues presented before you and thoughtfully weigh the pros and cons objectively. If you cannot be an objective public servant and not have a personal agenda then resign tonight.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance

Alderman Bonine made a motion seconded by Alderman Jenkins to pass ORDINANCE NO. 06-08-2016 PREVAILING WAGE ORDINANCE. On roll call: Alderman Jenkins-aye, Alderman Bonine-aye, Alderman Actis-aye, Alderman Austin-aye, Alderman Konsoer-aye, Alderman Grimm-aye. MOTION CARRIED.

Alderman Austin made a motion, seconded by Alderman Konsoer to approve the City of Earlville Electronic Sign/Website announcement Policy. On roll call: Alderman Austin-aye, Alderman Actis-aye, Alderman Grimm-aye, Alderman Konsoer-aye, Alderman Jenkins-aye, Alderman Bonine-aye. MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC WORKS

Alderman Bonine stated the street work is scheduled to start on Monday. They will be spraying for mosquitos tonight.

Alderman suggested placing the review of bids for painting of the Marathon Tower on the next Committee of the Whole meeting.

POLICE

Alderman Jenkins reported Chief Plumlee is still working on gathering costs for the Dispatch Service. He reminded everyone that no matter who we contract with for dispatch service we will need to purchase a new directional antenna at a cost of about \$4,500.00.

Alderman Jenkins made a motion, seconded by Alderman Actis to approve the rental of a portable restroom, with hand wash facility, for use in the city park. On roll call: Alderman Grimm-no, Alderman Jenkins-aye, Alderman Actis-aye, Alderman Austin-aye, Alderman Konsoer-no, Alderman Bonine-aye. Vote 4 aye, 2 no, MOTION CARRIED.

Alderman Grimm made a motion, seconded by Alderman Austin to apply for the 2016 COPS Hiring Program grant and contract with North Central Illinois Council of Governments to assist in writing and submitting the grant application for the City of Earlville at a cost of \$350.00. Discussion: Mayor Hall clarified that this grant cannot be used for the 3rd full time officer position that you are currently accepting applications for, it would be for a 4th full time officer position. The Mayor stated that the City would have to pay 25% of the officer compensation for the first three years and pay the complete compensation for the 4th year. Attorney Anderson also stated that you need to consider how this position is handled once the grant runs out because that office will be covered under the Union contract. He suggested that the City approach the Union about drafting a Memorandum of Understanding about the position and how it would be handled at the conclusion of the grant. Alderman Grimm asked if we want to invest the \$350.00 and then maybe later decline the grant, I don't know if we can afford the 4th full time officer? On roll call: Alderman Konsoer-aye, Alderman Bonine-no, Alderman Austin-aye, Alderman Grimm-aye, Alderman Actis-no, Alderman Jenkins-aye. Vote 4 aye, 2 no, MOTION CARRIED.

Alderman Konsoer asked Attorney Anderson when would be the appropriate time to start to discuss this with the Union? Attorney Anderson stated he had other issues he would be speaking to the Union about and he would mention this as well.

PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY

Alderman Bonine re-stated they will be spraying for mosquitos tonight.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Alderman Konsoer made a motion seconded by Alderman Austin to refer back to the Committee of the Whole, items #10 A & B, to benefit the new member of the Council and give him time to look over these items and participate in discussion on them. All in favor by voice vote. MOTION CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS

Alderman Jenkins made a motion, seconded by Alderman Austin, to adopt RESOLUTION NO. 06-08-2016 REGARDING GREAT LAKES BASIN RAILROAD PROJECT. On roll call: Alderman Jenkins - aye, Alderman Konsoer - aye, Alderman Actis - aye, Alderman Austin - aye, Alderman Bonine - aye, Alderman Grimm - aye. MOTION CARRIED.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - none

ADJOURN

At 7:41 p.m. Alderman Jenkins made a motion, seconded by Alderman Austin, to adjourn the meeting. All in favor by voice vote. MOTION CARRIED.



Martha E. Dankenbring
Deputy City Clerk