

**CITY OF EARLVILLE
CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION, September 13, 2023, 7:00 p.m.
City Hall Council Room, 210 W. Railroad Street, Earlville, IL**

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Actis called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

The following members were present: Alderman John Boltz, Alderman Walter Cwikla, Alderman Michael Goodbred, Alderman April Law and Alderman Steven Osborne. Also present: Attorney Nigel Smith. Absent: Alderman Robin Austin.

Visitors at the meeting were Wilma Stillwell, Samantha Majestic, Roger Torman and Sgt. Tom Richardson.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Alderman Goodbred made a motion, seconded by Alderman Osborne, to approve the agenda. All in favor by Voice Vote. Absent: Alderman Cwikla. MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC VOICE - none

Alderman Osborne made a motion, seconded by Alderman Boltz, to amend the Consent Agenda by removing item B. Acceptance and placement on file of monthly Treasurer's report. Roll Call: Alderman Law – aye, Alderman Osborne – aye, Alderman Boltz – aye, Alderman Goodbred – aye and Alderman Cwikla – aye. Alderman Austin – absent. MOTION CARRIED.

CONSENT AGENDA – OMNIBUS VOTE

Alderman Lawn made a motion, seconded by Alderman Cwikla, to approve the consent agenda, as amended, as follows:

- Approval of August 9, 2023 Regular Session minutes
- Approval for payment of bills as presented

Roll Call: Alderman Boltz – aye, Alderman Law – aye, Alderman Osborne – aye, Alderman Goodbred – aye and Alderman Cwikla – aye. Absent: Alderman Austin. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMITTEE REPORTS / ACTION ITEMS

Finance

Alderman Goodbred reviewed his Department Liaison submission to the Council with the local panel's selection of the candidate best suited for the Assistant Clerk position.

Alderman Law made a motion, seconded by Alderman Cwikla, to approve a conditional offer of employment be made to Assistant Clerk candidate Jessica Olson and authorize Department Liaison Goodbred to make the conditional offer of employment. Roll Call: Alderman Osborne – aye, Alderman Law – aye, Alderman Goodbred – aye, Alderman Cwikla – aye, and Alderman Boltz – aye. Absent: Alderman Austin. MOTION CARRIED

Public Works

Roger Torman reported updates to the digester / blower work at the wastewater treatment plant.

Police

Mayor Actis appointed Wade McClellan as a full-time police officer to start September 14, 2023.

Alderman Osborne made a motion, seconded by Alderman Law to approve the mayoral appointment of Wade McClellan as a full-time officer to start September 14, 2023. Roll Call: Alderman Law – aye, Alderman Cwikla – aye, Alderman Osborne – aye, Alderman Boltz – aye, and Alderman Goodbred – aye. Alderman Austin – absent. MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor Actis appointed Frederick Schwartz as a part-time police officer to start upon receipt of his required conditional documents.

Alderman Osborne made a motion, seconded by Alderman Cwikla, to approve the mayoral appoint of Frederick Schwartz as a part-time police officer to start upon receipt of his required conditional documents, noting that he is to be given 45 days to submit his required physical. Roll Call: Alderman Cwikla – aye, Alderman Osborne – aye, Alderman Boltz – aye, Alderman Law – aye, and Alderman Goodbred – aye. Alderman Austin – absent. MOTION CARRIED.

Public Health & Safety

Alderman Law reported she is continuing research on the City Code chapter 40 in relation to the ordinance warning process and needed changes.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Alderman Boltz stated Surf Air Wireless, LLC has submitted a new agreement. Attorney Smith has not had time to review the new agreement. Alderman Osborne made a motion, seconded by Alderman Goodbred to move this discussion to the October Committee of the Whole meeting. All in favor by voice vote. Alderman Austin – absent. MOTION CARRIED.

Discussion was held on the proposed updated Personnel Policy Manual. Alderman Law made a motion, seconded by Alderman Osborne to approve the updated Personnel Policy Manual with the proposed changes. Roll Call: Alderman Boltz – aye, Alderman Law – aye, Alderman – Cwikla – aye, Alderman Osborne – aye and Alderman Goodbred – aye. Alderman Austin – absent. MOTION CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS

Alderman Osborne made a motion, seconded by Alderman Goodbred, to approve the passage of ORDINANCE NO. 09-13-2023 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 05-11-2022 AN ORDINANCE REGULATING WAGES, VACATION TIME AND OTHER BENEFITS OF THE EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF EARLVILLE, COUNTY OF LASALLE AND STATE OF ILLINOIS. Roll Call: Alderman Osborne – aye, Alderman Law – aye, Alderman Boltz – aye, Alderman Cwikla – aye, and Alderman Goodbred – aye. Absent: Alderman Austin. MOTION CARRIED.

Discussion was held on additional pay for interim police chief duties. Alderman Boltz made a motion, seconded by Alderman Cwikla, to pay an additional \$5.00 per hour to Sgt. Tom Richardson for the time he is serving as the Interim Police Chief, retroactive to his appointment as Interim Police Chief. Roll Call: Alderman Osborne – aye, Alderman Law – aye, Alderman Goodbred – aye, Alderman Cwikla – aye and Alderman Boltz – aye. Alderman Austin – absent. MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor Actis recommended removing the appointment of part-time officer William Glinski for lack of meeting the necessary criteria required for the position.

Alderman Osborne made a motion, seconded by Alderman Boltz, to remove the appointment of part-time officer William Glinski for lack of meeting the necessary criteria required for the position. Roll Call: Alderman Cwikla – aye, Alderman Osborne – aye, Alderman Boltz – aye, Alderman Law – aye, and Alderman Goodbred – aye. Alderman Austin – absent. MOTION CARRIED.

Discussion held and Alderman Goodbred made a motion, seconded by Alderman Osborne to entering into an agreement with the Occupational Health Services Department of OSF HealthCare Saint Paul Medical center for physical and drug screening tests. Roll Call: Alderman Law – aye, Alderman Cwikla – aye, Alderman Boltz – aye, Alderman Goodbred – aye, and Alderman Osborne – aye. Alderman Austin – absent. MOTION CARRIED.

Reminder that vehicle stickers are on sale and must be purchased by October 31st.

CLOSED SESSION - none

ADJOURN

At 8:32 p.m., Alderman Goodbred made a motion, seconded by Alderman Osborne, to adjourn the meeting. All in favor by Voice Vote. Absent: Alderman Austin. MOTION CARRIED.

Martha E Dankenbring

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Deputy City Clerk