MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING MARCH 02, 2015

- 1. Call to Order.
- 2. <u>The following Aldermen were present</u>: Notheisen, Thomas, Hopkins, Trantham, Metzger, Frederick, Koerber and Heller.
- 3. <u>Pledge of Allegiance</u>.
- 4. <u>Correction or Withdrawal of Agenda Items by Sponsor.</u> None.
- 5. Approval of Minutes as Written or Amended.

Motion made by Alderman Heller and seconded by Alderman Frederick to approve February 23, 2015, 7:30 p.m., City Council Meeting Minutes. Motion passed unanimously with Aldermen Heller, Notheisen, Thomas, Hopkins, Trantham Frederick, Metzger and Koerber voting yea.

- 6. Petitions by Citizens on Non-Agenda Items. None.
- 7. Reports and Communications from the Mayor and other City Officers.
 - A. Report of Collector.

Shawn Kennedy was in Mt. Vernon reporting on Illinois-American Water.

- B. Report of Treasurer. No report.
- C. Report of Zoning Administrator. No report.
- D. Report of Director of Public Works.

Tim Birk reported on the 2 recent snow storms Saturday and Sunday with 14 total hours of overtime. The City salt supply is in good shape.

- E. Report of Chief of Police. No report.
- F. Report of City Attorney. No report.
- G. Report and Communication by Mayor. No report.
- 8. Report of Standing Committees.

Alderman Notheisen, Gas Committee Chairman reported on gas consumption: As of February, usage is higher than last year by 2% but the cost of gas is going down which means the bills will probably not be much higher than last year.

- 9. <u>Report of Special Committees</u>. No report.
- 10. <u>Presentation of Communications, Petitions, Resolutions, Orders and Ordinances by Aldermen.</u>
 - A. Consideration and Action on Resolution No. 15-05 Authorizing the Execution of a Professional Services Agreement Task Order No. 8 between the City of Waterloo, Illinois and HMG Engineers, Inc. for Engineering Services Related to the Mockingbird Lane Detention Basin with a Not to Exceed Amount of \$44,000.00.

Motion made by Alderman Hopkins and seconded by Alderman Trantham to approve Item #10A, Resolution No. 15-05 authorizing the execution of Professional Services Agreement – Task Order No. 8 between the City of Waterloo, Illinois and HMG Engineers, Inc. for engineering services related to the Mockingbird Lane Detention Basin with a not to exceed amount of \$44,000.00. Tim Birk explained the execution will take place in approximately 6 weeks after the bid is in. Alderman Hopkins, Drainage Committee Chairman, reported the Street and Drainage Committees and HMG met and their decision was unanimous to the above action. Motion passed unanimously with Aldermen Hopkins, Trantham, Metzger, Frederick, Koerber, Heller, Notheisen and Thomas voting yea.

11. <u>Unfinished Business</u>. None.

12. Miscellaneous Business.

A. Consideration and Action on Warrant No. 527.

Motion made by Alderman Metzger and seconded by Alderman Frederick to approve Warrant No. 527. Motion passed unanimously with Alderman Metzger, Frederick, Koerber, Heller, Notheisen, Thomas, Hopkins and Trantham voting yea.

B. Consideration and Action on February 2015 Utility Applications.

Motion made by Alderman Koerber and seconded by Alderman Heller to approve the February 2015 Utility Applications. Motion passed unanimously with Alderman Koerber, Heller, Notheisen, Thomas, Hopkins, Trantham, Metzger and Frederick voting yea.

C. Consideration and Action on Renewal of the Chester Billboard Contract Through the Tourism Bureau of Southern Illinois for a Two-Year Term at the Cost of \$255.00 per Month (\$215.00 per month after the Tourism Bureau discount) to be Paid Out of the Hotel/Motel Tax Fund.

Motion made by Alderman Notheisen and seconded by Alderman Heller to approve renewal of the Chester Billboard Contract through the Tourism Bureau of Southern Illinois for a two-year term at the cost of \$255.00 per month (\$215.00 per month after the Tourism Bureau discount) to be paid out of the Hotel/Motel Tax Fund. Discussion. Waterloo has owned the billboard over 12 years and it is getting a new vinyl coating. Motion passed unanimously with Aldermen Notheisen, Thomas, Hopkins, Trantham, Metzger, Frederick, Koerber and Heller voting yea.

D. <u>Consideration and Action on Approval of the Southern Illinois Center for Health Preliminary Plat.</u>

Motion made by Alderman Koerber and seconded by Alderman Metzger to approve the Southern Illinois Center for Health Preliminary Plat. Discussion. Alderman Heller stated the plat received 100% approval from the Planning Committee. Motion passed unanimously with Alderman Koerber, Heller, Notheisen, Thomas, Hopkins, Trantham, Metzger and Frederick voting yea.

E. Consideration and Action on Executive Session for the Discussion of Contract Negotiations and Review of Previous Meeting Minutes as per 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2) and (21) Respectively.

Motion made by Alderman Notheisen and seconded by Alderman Heller to approve Executive Session for the discussion of contract negotiations and review of previous meeting minutes as per 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2) and (21) respectively. Motion passed unanimously with Aldermen Notheisen, Thomas, Hopkins, Trantham, Metzger, Frederick, Koerber and Heller voting yea. Time: 7:40 p.m.

The Council meeting reconvened at 8:02. Motion to reconvene made by Alderman Frederick and seconded by Alderman Heller. Motion passed unanimously with Aldermen Frederick, Koerber, Heller, Notheisen, Thomas, Hopkins, Trantham and Metzger voting yea.

13. <u>Discussion of Matters by Council Members Arising After Agenda Deadline.</u>

Mayor Smith. 'Best Places to Retire' in the State of Illinois was distributed with Waterloo listed as #10. Discussion: This is good advertisement and promotion for our City. The Mayor has written to Governor Rauner regarding the proposed LGDF tax decrease from its present 8% to 3% which is a half million dollars taken from Waterloo. Discussion.

Alderman Koerber noted the Belleville News-Democrat article on the licensing of marijuana farms in East St. Louis. Discussion.

Alderman Heller stated the Sister Cities visitors hope to arrive in Waterloo by October, 2016 for PumpkinFest.

14. <u>Motion to Adjourn</u>. Motion made by Alderman Notheisen and seconded by Alderman Frederick to adjourn. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote. Mayor Smith adjourned the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

Barbara Pace, CITY CLERK