



MINUTES

MOLINE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

City Hall, 619 16th Street
Tuesday, February 9, 2016

Council Meeting: The City Council meeting came to order at 7:01 p.m. The Council met in regular session in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

Pledge: The Council and audience recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Invocation: Alderman Rodriguez gave an Invocation.

Roll Call: Roll call was taken with Mayor Raes, Aldermen Rodriguez, Parker, Wendt, Zelnio, Turner, Schoonmaker, Liddell and Acri present. Absent: None.

Items on Consent:

Approval of Minutes

Committee-of-the-Whole and Council meeting minutes of February 2, 2016.

Resolutions

1. Council Bill/Resolution 1011-2016

A Resolution authorizing approval of a Reconciliation Change Order with Miller Trucking and Excavating, Inc. for Project #1193, River Drive Utility Relocations, in the amount of \$468,390.98.

2. Council Bill/Resolution 1012-2016

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a Contract with Precision Pavement Markings, Inc. for Project #1239, 2016 Pavement Marking Program, in the amount of \$147,475.00.

3. Council Bill/Resolution 1013-2016

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a Contract with Denler, Inc. for Project #1240, 2016 Joint and Crack Sealing Program, in the amount of \$74,300.00.

4. Council Bill/Resolution 1014-2016

A Resolution authorizing the purchase of three grounds maintenance units for the Parks and Recreation Department from Deere and Company in Cary, North Carolina, in the amount of \$85,503.91.

Omnibus Vote: Alderman Parker, seconded by Alderman Liddell, moved to approve and adopt, by omnibus vote, these items. Motion carried on roll call with the following vote: ayes: Aldermen Rodriguez, Parker, Wendt, Zelnio, Turner, Schoonmaker, Liddell and Acri; nays: none.

Items Not on Consent:

First Reading Ordinances

5. Council Bill/General Ordinance 3003-2016

An Ordinance amending Chapter 8, "BUILDINGS AND OTHER CONTRUCTION AND BUILDING SERVICES," of the Moline Code of Ordinances, Section 8-3101, "AMENDMENTS TO MOLINE MECHANICAL CODE," by repealing subsection (k) in its entirety and enacting in lieu thereof one new subsection (k) dealing with the same subject matter.

6. Council Bill/Special Ordinance 4006-2016

A Special Ordinance authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a Lease Agreement ("Agreement") between the City of Moline ("City") and GTE Wireless of the Midwest Incorporated, an Indiana corporation d/b/a Verizon Wireless ("Verizon"), where said Agreement leases a portion of the space on the City's water tower, located at 531 15th Avenue, so that Verizon may install, maintain and operate its radio telecommunications equipment, antennas and appurtenances, or for such other specified uses in said Agreement.

Council, Staff and Citizen Comments:

Tracy Koranda, City Clerk, reminded everyone that there is no Council Meeting on February 15, 2016, and the next meeting will be February 23, 2016.

Alderman Turner read the attached statement.

Executive Session:

Alderman Parker, seconded by Alderman Wendt, moved for Executive Session, for the purpose of discussion of Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance, or Dismissal of Specific Employees- 5 ILCS 120/2 (C) (1). Motion carried on roll call with the following vote: Ayes: Aldermen Rodriguez, Parker, Wendt, Zelnio, Turner, Schoonmaker, Liddell and Acri; nays: none.

City Council convened in Executive Session at 7:07 p.m.

Council reconvened in open session at 7:10 p.m.

On motion of Alderman Parker, Seconded by Alderman Wendt, Council adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled City Council meeting is on February 23, 2016.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Tracy A. Koranda", written over a horizontal line.

Tracy A. Koranda
City Clerk

Statement

Last week I went home frustrated. With little information a motion was made for council to approve a permit fee waiver. With hopes that with enough votes somehow our budget would absorb over a \$12,000. debt, with seemly no thought of the impact of this request. This was not the appropriate procedure for this request.

When council members are approached by residents or business with a request, we are to bring this request to the Mayor or appropriate staff to assure it is legal, clear, and fair for all residents and business in Moline. Our City staff has a great reputation that they have earned. They are here to help us make informed decisions. Council members can always request discussion time with Mayors acknowledgement.

Our job is to represent residents in our goal sessions and help staff accomplish them.

As I said at the goal session; When we add motions and direction for staff throughout the year we have to first consider is it in (not meet) our city goals and is it in the best interest of residents and city.

Additionally our responsibility is to support a balanced reasonable budget to accomplish the goals.

We need to honor the balanced budget we approve in the fall. We have had long sessions to discuss cutting budget line items to save "a little here and a little there." We then cannot propose a budget loss without proposing a replacement revenue. Replacement revenue is not just funds from another account.

Moving forward I hope this helps our council meetings to stay focused on representing our residents to accomplish our city goals together.