



CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

April 11, 2016

7:00 pm

The following councilmembers were present with Mayor John McTaggart presiding:

Jason Gillam Craig Crider
Margaret Shriver Chuck Stites
Chuck Adams

The following staff members were present:

- Michael Webb, City Manager
- Mark Mathies, Police Chief
- Tim Whitham, Fire Chief
- Peter Yazbec, Public Works Director
- David Duckers, City Attorney
- Dave Knopick, City Planner
- Sid Mitchell, Police Captain
- Zack Daniel, Assistant to the City Manager/City Clerk

Prior the beginning of the normal meeting, Mayor McTaggart announced that there will be a brief presentation for departing Councilmember Craig Crider immediately following the statement of bills paid.

APPROVE MINUTES OF MARCH 28, 2016

Councilmember Crider motioned to approve the minutes. Councilmember Gillam seconded. Mayor McTaggart requested a roll call vote. The motion passed unanimously.

STATEMENT OF BILLS PAID \$146,884.18.00

Councilmember Crider made the motion to approve the statement of bills paid. Councilmember Adams seconded. Mayor McTaggart requested a roll call vote. The motion passed unanimously.

At this time, Mayor McTaggart presented Councilmember Craig Crider with a plaque recognizing his years of service on the Edwardsville City Council. Mr. Crider also provided a short statement thanking his fellow elected officials, City staff, and residents of Edwardsville.

Following these comments, Mr. Crider officially resigned from his position, vacating his seat on the City Council. All other votes from this evening's meeting will reflect that change.

REQUESTS OR COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no comments from the public.

CONSIDER A MOTION TO RECESS INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION IN ACCORDANCE WITH K.S.A 75-4319(B)(6) REGARDING THE ACQUISITION OF REAL PROPERTY

Councilmember Adams made the motion to recess into executive session to discuss the acquisition of real property, not to return until 7:30 p.m. Councilmember Shriver seconded the motion. Mayor McTaggart called for a roll call vote, which passed unanimously (which is 4-0 due to Mr. Crider's departure).



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At 7:30 p.m., the group returned and Councilmember Gillam made the motion to return from executive session, which was seconded by Councilmember Adams. Mayor McTaggart requested a roll call vote, which passed unanimously.

CONSIDER ANY ACTIONS RELATED TO THE EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilmember Stites made the motion to adopt Ordinance No. 960 authorizing the commencement of condemnation proceedings to acquire certain property for the purpose of constructing a sewer system. Councilmember Shriver seconded the motion. Mayor McTaggart requested a roll call vote which passed unanimously.

CONSIDER RECOMMENDATION OF APPROVAL FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION REGARDING THE PRELIMINARY PLAN AND FINAL PLAN FOR THE EXPANSION OF HERFF JONES, INC.

City Planner Dave Knopick noted that this item will require two motions and that there is a slight modification to the agenda memo. Mr. Knopick reviewed the nature of the proposed expansion. Mr. Knopick summarized the plan submittal procedure for the group. He noted that the Planning Commission, at their March 23 meeting, voted to recommend approval of both the preliminary plans and final plans contingent on certain conditions being met, which are outlined in the agenda memo. The first condition relates to re-platting prior to the issuance of a certificate of occupancy for the building and the second condition involves proper verification of storm water runoff capabilities. This condition is largely due to the threat of siltation. At this time, City officials would like to meet with the applicant, engineers, and industrial park representatives to discuss possible significant siltation which has reduced the capacity of existing storm water basins. This is to properly investigate the issues while also keeping the planned expansion moving forward in a timely manner. Any costs to remedy the issue will not be bore by the City, though there may be a possible citation if no solution is developed. Comments from the City Council reflected a desire to monitor the issue as it relates to this and future projects.

After additional discussions, Councilmember Gillam made the motion to approve the preliminary plan as proposed. Councilmember Adams seconded the motion. Mayor McTaggart requested a roll call vote, which passed unanimously. Councilmember Gillam then made the motion to approve the final plan with the amended second condition stating all storm water handling issues (existing siltation, vegetation overgrowth, etc.) impacting the intended design function and capacity of the retention pond be adequately addressed and function properly prior to issuance of an occupancy permit. Councilmember Shriver seconded the motion. Mayor McTaggart requested a roll call vote which passed unanimously.

CONSIDER AWARD OF BID FOR BASEBALL FENCING

Public Works Director Peter Yazbec summarized the bid process to this point, noting that the request for bid was first issued on March 16 with a closing date of March 30. After review, staff recommends awarding the baseball field fencing bid to Quality Fence for an overall price of \$19,320. Funding comes from the Special Parks Fund as well as the Special Sales Tax Fund. Mr. Yazbec confirmed that the bid specifications applied to all three of the bidders and that there are available funds for this project.



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Councilmember Adams made the motion to award the bid to Quality Fence in the amount of \$19,320 and authorize the City Manager to enter into an agreement with the company. Councilmember Gillam seconded. Mayor McTaggart requested a roll call vote, which passed unanimously.

CONSIDER CITY COUNCIL POLICY REGARDING VIDEO RECORDING OF CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS (OLD BUSINESS)

City Manager Michael Webb reviewed this item, noted that the revised policy reflects comments and suggestions from the City Council at the March 28, 2016 meeting. They are primarily related to disclaimers, public notice of the recording, and the timing of the video to be posted. He also noted that staff is nearing launch of a YouTube channel, which has been undergoing tests regarding video quality and playback.

Councilmember Adams made the motion to adopt the City Council A/V Policy and Guidelines. Councilmember Stites seconded. Mayor McTaggart requested a roll call vote, which passed unanimously.

ADVISORY REPORTS

CITY MANAGER

Mr. Webb noted that City Council policies are not statutory and may be modified if needed. Mr. Webb reminded the group that Edwardsville Days is fast approaching. He also noted that the Planning Commission will be discussing the draft changes to the zoning ordinance, including a possible recommendation to adopt. Mr. Webb then reviewed the ongoing plans for the rooms affected by the water leak in February. Ongoing research is also being done on the issues surrounding the Cemetery Board. Mr. Webb then noted that staff will be meeting with Deffenbaugh to discuss the issues surrounding the roll out of the new carted service. Finally, he stated that there would likely be a City Council work session on business incentives prior to the April 25 meeting.

CHIEFS (POLICE & FIRE)

Police Chief Mathies stated that recruitment is still ongoing. Fire Chief Whitham reviewed the situation regarding the recalled fire truck and the process to replace the vehicle.

PUBLIC WORKS

Mr. Yazbec reviewed progress on the Kansas Ave. project. He also noted that soccer saw record concession sales at the previous weekend's games.

CITY ATTORNEY

City Attorney David Duckers reviewed the process and timeline for filling the vacancy left by Mr. Crider. Essentially, a replacement will have to be named before 60 days from tonight's date to avoid a special election being called. The replacement would require consent of the City Council, but the Council would be required to adopt a resolution stating the reasoning for withholding its consent.



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COUNCIL AND MAYOR COMMENTS

Councilmember Stites noted that he has noticed significant improvements to roads after public works crews have done work on them.

Councilmember Shriver stated she was disappointed to hear that the Deffenbaugh roll out was going poorly. She also asked if the upcoming futsal courts would be fenced, which staff confirmed that they would be.

Councilmember Gillam also was disappointed with the Deffenbaugh roll out and wanted to explore possible options related to compensation for the lackluster service. At this point there was some discussion regarding promoting the e-newsletter and other services at Edwardsville Days.

Councilmember Adams asked about the status of bids for the old City Hall, which Mr. Webb noted that it has not been posted yet but will be soon. Councilmember Adams asked about options for rural residents leaving carts at the curb, which staff noted they will explore possible options.

Mayor McTaggart reiterated the points related to Edwardsville Days.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:36 pm

Zachary Daniel

City Clerk