

Ottawa, Illinois
December 6, 2011

Regular meeting of the Council of the City of Ottawa, Illinois.

Present: Commissioners Daniel F. Aussem, Edward V. Whitney,
Wayne A. Eichelkraut Jr., and Mayor Robert M. Eschbach.
Absent: Dale F. Baxter.

Commissioner Eichelkraut presented minutes of previous meeting.
Moved by Commissioner Eichelkraut that the minutes of a regular meeting of the Council of the City of Ottawa, Illinois, held on Tuesday, November 15, 2011, be approved as recorded in the permanent files of the City Clerk.
Second by Whitney.
Ayes: Aussem, Eichelkraut, Whitney, and Mayor Eschbach.
Nays: None. Motion carried.

A public hearing was held regarding the Canal TIF annexation agreements. City Attorney, Keith Leigh, explained the parcels, their locations, and provisions of the agreements. With no one publicly commenting, the Mayor declared the hearing closed at 7:05 p.m.

Commissioner Eichelkraut presented Biweekly Salary Payroll.
Moved by Commissioner Eichelkraut that the Biweekly Salary Payroll of November 23, 2011, in the amount of \$300,028.64, be approved and warrants issued.
Second by Whitney.
Ayes: Aussem, Eichelkraut, Whitney, and Mayor Eschbach.
Nays: None. Motion carried.

Commissioner Eichelkraut presented Monthly Expense Report.
Moved by Commissioner Eichelkraut that the Monthly Expense Report of December 6, 2011, showing expenses in the amount of \$3,465,343.52, be approved and warrants issued.
Second by Aussem.
Ayes: Aussem, Eichelkraut, Whitney, and Mayor Eschbach.
Nays: None. Motion carried.

Commissioner Eichelkraut presented Resolution.
Moved by Commissioner Eichelkraut that a Resolution designating representatives of the City of Ottawa for collective bargaining as all members of the City Council together with Corporation Counsel, be adopted.
Second by Aussem.
A discussion ensued. Motion to table this Resolution by Commissioner Aussem.
Second by Whitney.
Ayes: Aussem, Eichelkraut, Whitney, and Mayor Eschbach.
Nays: None. Motion carried.

Commissioner Eichelkraut presented Ordinance.
Moved by Commissioner Eichelkraut that an Ordinance authorizing the execution of the IMLRMA's minimum/maximum contribution agreement for calendar year 2012, be received and placed on file.
Second by Whitney.
Ayes: Aussem, Eichelkraut, Whitney, and Mayor Eschbach.
Nays: None. Motion carried.

Commissioner Eichelkraut presented Ordinance.
Moved by Commissioner Eichelkraut that an Ordinance levying taxes in the City of Ottawa, LaSalle County, Illinois, for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2011, and ending April 30, 2012, and authorizing the City Clerk of the City of Ottawa to certify to the County Clerk of LaSalle County, Illinois, the several amounts required to be raised by taxation for the corporate purposes of said City for said fiscal year, be received and placed on file for public inspection.
Ayes: Aussem, Eichelkraut, Whitney, and Mayor Eschbach.
Nays: None. Motion carried.

Commissioner Aussem presented Resolution.

Moved by Commissioner Aussem that a Resolution authorizing the placement of a wheelchair ramp on public property for the Masonic Temple located at 916 Columbus Street, be adopted.

Second by Eichelkraut.

Ayes: Aussem, Eichelkraut, Whitney, and Mayor Eschbach.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Commissioner Whitney presented Report of Fire Chief.

Moved by Commissioner Whitney that the Report of Fire Chief, Jeffrey A. Newbury, for the month of November 2011, be received and placed on file.

Second by Eichelkraut.

Ayes: Aussem, Eichelkraut, Whitney, and Mayor Eschbach.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Eschbach presented Resolution.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that a Resolution authorizing a LED traffic signal upgrade agreement between the City of Ottawa and the State of Illinois, which has been on file for public inspection since November 15, 2011, be adopted.

Second by Whitney.

Ayes: Aussem, Eichelkraut, Whitney, and Mayor Eschbach.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Eschbach presented Payment.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that engineering statement number 4 & final from Renwick & Associates for engineering services performed in connection with the Adams Street widening and resurfacing project in the amount of \$14,288.00 be approved and paid from the Motor Fuel Tax Fund.

Second by Aussem.

Ayes: Aussem, Eichelkraut, Whitney, and Mayor Eschbach.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Eschbach presented Report of Police Chief.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that the Report of Police Chief, Brian L. Zeilmann, for the month of November 2011, be received and placed on file.

Second by Whitney.

Ayes: Aussem, Eichelkraut, Whitney, and Mayor Eschbach.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Eschbach presented Report of Registrar.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that the Report of Registrar, Shelly L. Munks, for the month of November 2011, be received and placed on file.

Second by Aussem.

Ayes: Aussem, Eichelkraut, Whitney, and Mayor Eschbach.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Eschbach presented Report of Parking Administration.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that the Report of the Parking Administration Department showing fines collected of \$1,540.00 and meter coins of \$35.04, for the month of November 2011, be received and placed on file.

Second by Eichelkraut.

Ayes: Aussem, Eichelkraut, Whitney, and Mayor Eschbach.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Eschbach presented Report of Building Official.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that the Report of Building Official, Michael J. Sutfin, for the month of November 2011, be received and placed on file.

Second by Whitney.

Ayes: Aussem, Eichelkraut, Whitney, and Mayor Eschbach.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Eschbach presented Report of Zoning Board of Appeals/Ordinance.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that the Report of the Zoning Board of Appeals meeting held on Thursday, November 17, 2011, considering the rear yard setback variance request from Robin Howard for property located at 613 First Avenue, be received and placed on file. Be it further moved, the Council concur with the recommendation of the Zoning Board of Appeals and the variance request be granted and the follow up Ordinance be passed and approved.

Second by Whitney.

Ayes: Aussem, Eichelkraut, Whitney, and Mayor Eschbach.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Eschbach presented Ordinance.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that an Ordinance authorizing the execution of a redevelopment agreement between the City of Ottawa and PS1 LLC, which has been on file for public inspection since November 15, 2011, be passed and approved.

Second by Eichelkraut.

Ayes: Aussem, Eichelkraut, Whitney, and Mayor Eschbach.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Eschbach presented Ordinance.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that an Ordinance designating 300 Pearl Street, owned by James and Wava Riley, a City landmark, be passed and approved.

Second by Eichelkraut.

Ayes: Aussem, Eichelkraut, Whitney, and Mayor Eschbach.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Eschbach presented Resolution.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that a Resolution approving and authorizing the execution of employment agreements for appointed city officials in Frank Youngblood and Robert Marten as part time bus drivers, be received and placed on file for public inspection.

Second by Whitney.

Ayes: Aussem, Eichelkraut, Whitney, and Mayor Eschbach.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Eschbach presented Resolution.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that a Resolution accepting an Illinois urban forest grant for technical assistance and emerald ash borer restoration and authorizing the execution of a sub-grant agreement, be received and placed on file for public inspection.

Second by Aussem.

Ayes: Aussem, Eichelkraut, Whitney, and Mayor Eschbach.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Eschbach presented Resolution.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that a Resolution reappointing Jeff Bangert and Steve Haywood, both to the 911 Board, terms to expire December 2014, be adopted.

Second by Whitney.

Ayes: Aussem, Eichelkraut, Whitney, and Mayor Eschbach.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Eschbach presented Resolution.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that a Resolution reappointing Robert Alvarado and Cliff Espevik, both to the Fire and Police Commission, terms to expire September 2014 and September 2013, respectively, be adopted.

Second by Aussem.

Ayes: Aussem, Eichelkraut, Whitney, and Mayor Eschbach.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Eschbach presented Resolution.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that a Resolution authorizing the execution of annexation agreements between the City of Ottawa and various property owners located in the Canal TIF District, which has been on file for public inspection since November 15, 2011, be adopted.

Second by Aussem.

Ayes: Aussem, Eichelkraut, Whitney, and Mayor Eschbach.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Eschbach presented Ordinance.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that an Ordinance annexing certain territory to the City of Ottawa, LaSalle County, Illinois, located in the Canal TIF District, be passed and approved.

Second by Eichelkraut.

Ayes: Aussem, Eichelkraut, Whitney, and Mayor Eschbach.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Eschbach presented Ordinance.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that an Ordinance annexing certain territory to the City of Ottawa, LaSalle County, Illinois, owned by Key Outdoor Inc., the United States of America, and Arthur Farrell, be passed and approved.

Second by Whitney.

Ayes: Aussem, Eichelkraut, Whitney, and Mayor Eschbach.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Eschbach presented Resolution.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that a Resolution authorizing the execution of a contract between the City of Ottawa and Bourbon Street for music at the Festival of Lights Parade, which has been on file for public inspection since November 15, 2011, be adopted.

Second by Whitney.

Ayes: Aussem, Eichelkraut, Whitney, and Mayor Eschbach.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Eschbach presented Resolution.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that a Resolution authorizing the execution of an agreement between the City of Ottawa and Diane Stelken Associates, which has been on file for public inspection since November 15, 2011, be adopted.

Second by Whitney.

Ayes: Aussem, Eichelkraut, Whitney, and Mayor Eschbach.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Eschbach presented Resolution.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that a Resolution authorizing the execution of a contract between the City of Ottawa and Grossman Calliope for the Festival of Lights Parade, which has been on file for public inspection since November 15, 2011, be adopted.

Second by Eichelkraut.

Ayes: Aussem, Eichelkraut, Whitney, and Mayor Eschbach.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Eschbach presented Resolution.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that a Resolution authorizing execution and amendment of a downstate operating assistance grant agreement between the City of Ottawa and the State of Illinois, Department of Transportation, be received and placed on file for public inspection.

Second by Whitney.

Ayes: Aussem, Eichelkraut, Whitney, and Mayor Eschbach.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Eschbach presented Resolution.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that a Resolution authorizing application for public transportation financial assistance under Section 5311 of the Federal Transit Act of 1991 as amended, be adopted.

Second by Eichelkraut.

Ayes: Aussem, Eichelkraut, Whitney, and Mayor Eschbach.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Eschbach presented Change Order.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that Change Order number 9 and final in the decreased amount of \$38,863.62 from Advanced Asphalt for the Dayton Road improvement project, be accepted.

Second by Whitney.

Ayes: Aussem, Eichelkraut, Whitney, and Mayor Eschbach.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Eschbach presented Request.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that the Request for rezoning from Kanawha Property Investment Inc. for property located at 528-530 West Lafayette Street, be received and referred to the Plan Commission for review and recommendation.

Second by Aussem.

Ayes: Aussem, Eichelkraut, Whitney, and Mayor Eschbach.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Eschbach presented Request.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that the Request for a setback variance from International Titanium Powder for property located at 1510 Titanium Drive, be received and referred to the Zoning Board of Appeals for review and recommendation.

Second by Eichelkraut.

Ayes: Aussem, Eichelkraut, Whitney, and Mayor Eschbach.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Eschbach presented motion to adjourn.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that this regular meeting be adjourned.

Second by Whitney.

Ayes: Aussem, Eichelkraut, Whitney, and Mayor Eschbach.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Council adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Shelly L. Munks, City Clerk