

Ottawa, Illinois
December 4, 2012

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

Present: Commissioners Daniel F. Aussem, Wayne A. Eichelkraut Jr.,
Edward V. Whitney, Dale F. Baxter and Mayor Robert M. Eschbach.
Absent: None.

Commissioner Baxter presented minutes of previous meeting.

Moved by Commissioner Baxter that the minutes of a regular meeting of the Council of the City of Ottawa, Illinois, held on Tuesday, November 20, 2012, be approved as recorded in the permanent files of the City Clerk.

Second by Whitney.

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

A PUBLIC HEARING WAS HELD REGARDING THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE EAST TIF. HERB KLEIN, OF JACOB & KLEIN, OUTLINED THE AMENDMENT AND WITH NO ONE ELSE PUBLICLY COMMENTING, THE MAYOR DECLARED THE HEARING CLOSED AT 7:06 P.M.

A PUBLIC HEARING WAS HELD REGARDING THE PROPOSED WILLARD AVENUE VACATION TO PVL. CITY ENGINEER DAVE NOBLE EXPLAINED THE VACATION AND WITH NO ONE ELSE PUBLICLY COMMENTING, THE HEARING WAS DECLARED CLOSED AT 7:08 P.M.

Commissioner Eichelkraut presented Biweekly Salary Payroll.

Moved by Commissioner Eichelkraut that the Biweekly Salary Payroll of November 21, 2012, in the amount of \$305,210.12, be approved and warrants issued.

Second by Whitney.

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Commissioner Eichelkraut presented Monthly Expense Report.

Moved by Commissioner Eichelkraut that the Monthly Expense Report of December 4, 2012, showing expenses in the amount of \$1,271,147.70, be approved and warrants issued.

Second by Baxter.

Ayes: Aussem, Eichelkraut, Whitney, Baxter, 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, 2012, and ending April 30, 2013, 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.

Second by Whitney.

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Commissioner Eichelkraut presented Ordinance.

Moved by Commissioner Eichelkraut that an Ordinance abating the tax heretofore levied for the year 2012 to pay debt service on \$2,485,000.00 worth of taxable General Obligation Bonds of the City of Ottawa, LaSalle County, Illinois, be passed and approved.

Second by Aussem.

Ayes: Aussem, Eichelkraut, Whitney, Baxter, 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 2012, be received and placed on file.

Second by Eichelkraut.

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Commissioner Baxter presented Ordinance.

Moved by Commissioner Baxter that an Ordinance vacating a portion of Willard Avenue to Pleasant View, a Lutheran Life Community, for the sum of \$10,782.00, be passed and approved.

Second by Eichelkraut.

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Commissioner Baxter presented Resolution.

Moved by Commissioner Baxter that a Resolution approving and authorizing the execution of an employment agreement for an appointed city official in Sandra Thacker as full time mini bus driver, be received and placed on file for public inspection.

Second by Whitney.

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Eschbach presented Report of Police Chief.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that the Report of Police Chief, Brent A. Roalson, for the month of November 2012, be received and placed on file.

Second by Eichelkraut.

Ayes: Aussem, Eichelkraut, Whitney, Baxter, 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 2012, be received and placed on file.

Second by Whitney.

Ayes: Aussem, Eichelkraut, Whitney, Baxter, 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 as \$1,000.00 and \$575.61 collected by CPI, for the month of November 2012, be received and placed on file.

Second by Baxter.

Ayes: Aussem, Eichelkraut, Whitney, Baxter, 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 2012, be received and placed on file.

Second by Eichelkraut.

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Eschbach presented Ordinance.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that an Ordinance approving and authorizing the second amendment to the Ottawa East Tax Increment Financing District redevelopment plan and projects, be received and placed on file for public inspection.

Second by Whitney.

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Eschbach presented Resolution.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that a Resolution authorizing a contract with the Illinois Grape Growers and Vintner's Association, for the 2013 Winefest, which has been on file for public inspection since November 20, 2012, be adopted.

Second by Baxter.

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Eschbach presented Resolution.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that a Resolution authorizing the execution of a full release agreement between the City of Ottawa and GE Osmonics Inc., which has been on file for public inspection since November 20, 2012, be adopted.

Second by Baxter.

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Eschbach presented Resolution.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that a Resolution approving and authorizing the execution of an agreement between the City of Ottawa and the Illinois Department of Transportation, regarding Phase 2 of the Tree Grant, be received and placed on file for public inspection.

Second by Eichelkraut.

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Eschbach presented Resolution.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that a Resolution authorizing the execution of a grant agreement between the City of Ottawa and the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, regarding an IKE program planning grant, be received and placed on file for public inspection.

Second by Baxter.

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Eschbach presented Resolution.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that a Resolution approving and authorizing the execution of an agreement between the City of Ottawa and the Reserves Network, be received and placed on file for public inspection.

Second by Baxter.

Ayes: Baxter, and Mayor Eschbach.

Nays: Aussem and Eichelkraut.

Commissioner Whitney passed and then agreed to place the Resolution on file. Motion carried.

Mayor Eschbach presented Resolution.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that a Resolution appointing Lee Ilgen of 631 Magnolia Lane to the Tree Board, term to expire July 2015, be adopted.

Second by Baxter.

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Eschbach presented Resolution.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that appointing Vince Kozsdiy of 631 East Van Buren Street to the Zoning Board of Appeals, term to expire July 2014, be adopted.

Second by Baxter.

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Eschbach presented motion.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that our Corporation Counsel be directed to proceed with the annexation of properties that are totally surrounded.

Second by Baxter.

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Eschbach presented motion to recess.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that this Council recess into Closed Session to discuss a]Step III Police Grievance and land acquisition.

Second by Eichelkraut.

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Council recessed at 7:31 p.m.

Mayor Eschbach presented motion to reconvene.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that this Council reconvene from Closed Session.

Second by Whitney.

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Eschbach presented Step III Police Grievance.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that the Step III Police Grievance be denied.

Second by Aussem.

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Council adjourned at 8:57 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Shelly L. Munks, City Clerk