

Ottawa, Illinois
December 18, 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, December 4, 2012, be approved as recorded in the permanent files of the City Clerk.
Second by Eichelkraut.
Ayes: Aussem, Eichelkraut, Whitney, Baxter, and Mayor Eschbach.
Nays: None. Motion carried.

Commissioner Eichelkraut presented Biweekly Salary Payroll.
Moved by Commissioner Eichelkraut that the Biweekly Salary Payroll of December 7, 2012, in the amount of \$296,772.12, 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 18, 2012, showing expenses in the amount of \$696,541.37, be approved and warrants issued.
Second by Whitney.
Ayes: Aussem, Eichelkraut, Whitney, Baxter, and Mayor Eschbach.
Nays: None. Motion carried.

Commissioner Eichelkraut presented Monthly Salary Payroll.
Moved by Commissioner Eichelkraut that the Monthly Salary Payroll of December 13, 2012, in the amount of \$16,723.94, be approved and warrants issued.
Second by Baxter.
Ayes: Aussem, Eichelkraut, Whitney, Baxter, and Mayor Eschbach.
Nays: None. Motion carried.

Commissioner Eichelkraut presented Monthly Financial Report.
Moved by Commissioner Eichelkraut that the Monthly Financial Report of City Clerk, 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.

Commissioner Eichelkraut presented Resolution.
Moved by Commissioner Eichelkraut that a Resolution authorizing the execution of an agreement between the City of Ottawa and First Energy Solutions Corp, 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 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, which has been on file for public inspection since December 4, 2012, be passed and approved.
Second by Baxter.
Ayes: Aussem, Eichelkraut, Whitney, Baxter, and Mayor Eschbach.
Nays: None. Motion carried.

Commissioner Eichelkraut presented Resolution.

Moved by Commissioner Eichelkraut that a Resolution authorizing the execution of an agreement between the City of Ottawa and Direct Energy Business LLC, 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 authorizing the execution of IMLRMA's minimum/maximum contribution agreement for calendar year 2013, be received and placed on file.

Second by Baxter.

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Commissioner Aussem presented Bid.

Moved by Commissioner Aussem that the Bid from Era Valdivia Contractors in the amount of \$212,000.00 plus Alternate 1 in the amount of \$49,000.00 for a total of \$261,000.00 for the South Standpipe Painting project, be accepted and paid for from the Water Fund.

Second by Baxter.

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, which has been on file for public inspection since December 4, 2012, be adopted.

Second by Whitney.

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Commissioner Baxter presented Payment.

Moved by Commissioner Baxter that the Invoice from Midwest Testing Services for inspection and material testing services performed in connection with the construction of the Adams Street Widening & Resurfacing project in the amount of \$10,300.00, be approved and paid from the Motor Fuel tax Fund.

Second by Whitney.

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Commissioner Baxter presented Payment.

Moved by Commissioner Baxter that Engineer's Estimate No. 2 & Final for work performed by Advanced Asphalt Company on the 2012 MFT Maintenance of City Streets in the amount of \$53,978.56, be approved and paid from the Motor Fuel Tax Fund.

Second by Eichelkraut.

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Commissioner Baxter presented Payment.

Moved by Commissioner Baxter that Invoice No. 3 & Final from Renwick & Associates for engineering services performed in connection with the 2012 MFT Maintenance of City Streets in the amount of \$589.48, be approved and paid from the Motor Fuel Tax Fund.

Second by Whitney.

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Commissioner Baxter presented Resolution.

Moved by Commissioner Baxter that a Resolution authorizing the execution of an amendment to an agreement for federal participation between the City of Ottawa and IDOT, regarding the Safe Route to Schools grant, be received and placed on file for public inspection.

Second by Aussem.

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, which has been on file for public inspection since December 4, 2012, be passed and approved.

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, which has been on file for public inspection since December 4, 2012, be adopted.

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, which has been on file for public inspection since December 4, 2012, be adopted.

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 approving and authorizing the execution of an agreement between the City of Ottawa and the Reserves Network, which has been on file for public inspection since December 4, 2012, be adopted.

Second by Baxter.

Ayes: Whitney, Baxter, and Mayor Eschbach.

Nays: Aussem and Eichelkraut.

Mayor Eschbach presented Resolution.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that a Resolution authorizing legal action against Jericho Properties LLC and Old Second Bank for property located at 618-620 Court Street, be adopted.

Second by Whitney.

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Eschbach presented Request.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that the Request from Tom Heimsoth for a variance from the Sign Ordinance be received and referred to the Zoning Board of Appeals for review and recommendation.

Second by Baxter.

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Eschbach presented Report of Plan Commission.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that the Report of the Plan Commission meeting held on Monday, November 26, 2012, considering the Final Plat of Shady Acres, be received and placed on file. Be it further moved, the Council concur with the recommendation of the Plan Commission and the Final Plat be approved with the condition that an easement for drainage be located between the two properties and the easements for the two tiles be extended to the new drainage easement.

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 Fire Grievance and real estate.

Second by Eichelkraut.

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Council recessed at 7:18 p.m.

Mayor Eschbach presented motion to reconvene.

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

Second by Eichelkraut.

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Eschbach presented Step III Fire Grievance.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that the Step III Fire Grievance be denied with the understanding that the agreement the Council came to in Closed Session will be worked out with the Fire Department by next Wednesday, December 26, 2012, at 4:00 p.m. when the Council has a special meeting scheduled.

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 8:16 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Shelly L. Munks, City Clerk