

CITY OF SOUTH BELOIT
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 4, 2016

CALL TO ORDER: 6:00 pm, Council Chambers, City Hall by Mayor Rehl.

ROLL CALL: Present & answering to roll call were Commissioners Chambers, Duffy, Fitzgerald, Redieske and Mayor Rehl.
City Attorney Roxanne Sosnowski was present
Deputy Clerk Karen Brandenburg recorded the minutes
Department Heads in attendance:
Fire Chief Ken Morse
Police Chief Dean Stiegemeier
Public Works Superintendent Jeff Reininger

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Mayor Rehl and recited by all members present.

INVOCATION: Mayor Rehl asked for a moment of silence.

APPROVE AGENDA: Commissioner Duffy made a motion to approve the agenda second by Commissioner Redieske. Voice vote carried the motion.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Ilah Tinder stated she would like to discuss item e. on the agenda.

Detter Dallman stated he is having a lot of problems with the homeless people living down by the river. Mr. Dallman stated the homeless people are urinating against the cars and going thru the dumpsters. Chief Stiegemeier and Commissioner Fitzgerald stated they are working on this issue and will keep Mr. Dallman informed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
1. Commissioner Chambers made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on March 21, 2016. Commissioner Fitzgerald second the motion. Voice vote carried the motion.

REPORT OF OFFICERS:

1. Finance:
Commissioner Duffy made a motion to approve the claims to be paid from March 19-April 1, 2016 in the amount of \$137,933.27. Commissioner Redieske second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.
2. Attorney Report:
Attorney Sosnowski stated the packet includes some material from the City of Rockford Neighborhood Standards that goes over the ordinance as it relates to inoperable and abandoned vehicles, vehicles parking on the grass, and RV, trailer and boat storage. The packet also includes The Village of Rockton's Ordinance on recreational vehicle parking. Attorney Sosnowski stated we should revisit the ordinance and see if the regulations are appropriate for the City of South Beloit. The other issue that we are experiencing is the length that's allowed in the City of South Beloit, as compared to other communities. The length is a lot shorter for other communities.

Attorney Sosnowski stated Susan Dillon is an Attorney at Barrick Switzer. Attorney Dillon is the traffic prosecutor for the City of South Beloit. Attorney Dillon is leaving our office and moving back home to Detroit Michigan, where her parents live. Attorney Sosnowski stated they are transitioning her files over. Attorney Doug Henry will handle the code enforcement files and Attorney Joe Lesner will be the traffic prosecutor.

3. Commissioner's Report:
Accounts & Finance-Commissioner Linda Chambers
Public Health & Safety-Commissioner Tom Fitzgerald
Streets & Public Improvements-Commissioner Jeff Redieske

Public Properties-Commissioner Lori Duffy

CORRESPONDENCE:

Mayor Rehl read a proclamation to proclaim April 30, 2016 as Great American Cleanup Day in the City of South Beloit. Lori Gumow was present on behalf of Keep Northern Illinois Beautiful. She stated that June 11, 2016 will be the Medicine Collection Drive at the South Beloit Fire Department.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Discussion and/or Motion Items:

- a. Commissioner Chambers made a motion to approve Ordinance 2203 for a Special Use Permit to allow for accessory outdoor storage of items and material accessory to primary use, limited to no more than 25% of the total lot area and shall be subject to screening from view of adjacent properties by a combination of landscaping and fencing in the (IL) Light Industrial District on the Northerly portion of the property located at 114 Prairie Hill Road. Commissioner Chambers amended her motion to layover the Ordinance to allow Mr. Witte to meet with City Zoning Officer, Jessica Roberts. Commissioner Redieske second the motion. Voice vote carried the motion.
- b. Attorney Sosnowski stated the Phase 1 is for the property 900 Eastern Avenue, not 624 Eastern Avenue. Documents will need to be brought before the council at a future meeting. Attorney Sosnowski stated no action will need to be taken today and understood the consensus.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. From the Zoning Board of Appeals meeting held on March 16, 2016 a positive recommendation was given regarding a request for amending the City of South Beloit's Zoning Code. Commissioner Chambers made a motion to approve Ordinance 2205 amending the City of South Beloit's Zoning Code regarding the Industrial Light district (d) Special Uses. Commissioner Fitzgerald second the motion. Roll call showed 5 ayes.
- b. From the Zoning Board of Appeals meeting held on March 16, 2016 a positive recommendation was given regarding a request for a Special Use Permit. Commissioner Redieske made a motion to approve Ordinance 2206 approving a Special Use Permit to allow an open sales lot in the (CG) Commercial General Zoning District for the property located at 123 South Park Avenue. Commissioner Duffy second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.
- c. Commissioner Duffy made a motion to approve Ordinance 2207 amending Section 62-53 of Chapter 62 Article III of the City of South Beloit Code of Ordinances regarding Medical Cannabis. Commissioner Redieske second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.
- d. Commissioner Fitzgerald made a motion to approve Ordinance 2208 amending Section 62-41 of Chapter 62 Article III of the City of South Beloit Code of Ordinances regarding Disorderly Conduct. Commissioner Chambers second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.
- e. Commissioner Redieske made a motion to approve the Resolution 5831 bid award for 2016 Sanitary Sewer Lateral Improvements. Commissioner Duffy second the motion. Public Works Superintendent, Jeff Reininger stated bid opening was March 14, 2016. Five companies took out bid packets, but only 3 companies responded. Kelsey Excavating was the lowest bidder for the project. If the 2016 Sanitary Sewer Lateral Improvement project is approved, letters will be sent out to the property owners with the cost for that property. Ihla Tinder stated the City needs to take a look at what's going on around the City. Mrs. Tinder stated that two years ago that 642 and 644 Fairview had work done with the sewer lining and know is needing to have demolition work. Mrs. Tinder wanted to know why the City didn't take care of this before the sewer lining and having to put the expense on the people. Commissioner Redieske stated that the lining project has to be done. This project has a time frame. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.
- f. Commissioner Fitzgerald made a motion to approve Ordinance 2209 authorizing the disposal of items of personal property owned by the City of South Beloit (14 office chairs). Commissioner Chambers second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.
- g. Commissioner Redieske made a motion to approve Resolution 5832 authorizing the mayor of the City of South Beloit to execute the revised settlement agreement with HCP, LLC and Ronczkowski and Hoefler regarding 900 Eastern Ave. Commissioner Duffy second the motion. Attorney Sosnowski stated she received an email from the defendant wanting to change the language in paragraph 3. By using this language, the City would forgo any claim against the property owner for the environmental issues on the property. Attorney Sosnowski feels this is a substantial change to the language. Attorney Sosnowski stated we should not tie any additional

issues when they were not addressed in the original litigation. Commissioner Chambers and Commissioner Fitzgerald made a motion to withdrawal the original motion. A new motion was made by Commissioner Duffy to layover the Resolution 5832. Commissioner Redieske second the motion. Voice vote carried the motion.

MISCELLANEOUS
LICENSES AND PERMITS:

1. Miscellaneous Licenses:
 - a. Troy Hermans

2. RLE's:
 - a. Jessica Christopherson-Road Ranger #5156
 - b. Kasandra DeBoard-Flying J

Commissioner Chambers made a motion to approve all licenses second by Commissioner Fitzgerald with a late fee imposed for Kassandra DeBoard. Voice vote carried the motion.

ADJOURN:

At 7:10 p.m. on a motion made by Commissioner Fitzgerald second by Commissioner Duffy. Voice vote carried the motion.

Mayor

City Clerk