

CITY OF SOUTH BELOIT
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 15, 2014

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

ROLL CALL: Present & answering to roll call were Commissioners Baden, Barber, Chambers, LaMendola, and Mayor Schoonover.
City Attorney Roxanne Sosnowski was present.
City Clerk Tracy Patrick recorded the minutes.
Department Heads in attendance:
Fire Chief Ken Morse
Police Chief Dean Steigemeier
Public Works Dept Jeff Reininger

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Boy Scout Pack 605 and recited by all members present.

INVOCATION: Led by Commissioner LaMendola.

APPROVE AGENDA: Commissioner Chambers made a motion to approve the agenda second by Commissioner Barber. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Ilah Tinder commented on item b under New Business. She stated there should be more accountability before giving money to organizations. She would like to see money being given to kids programs that could promote tourism. She also commented on previous minutes regarding a Fire Department emergency call and if the Fire Department should be unmanned when they are at an event. She questioned why the Fire Department was still at an event after it had ended.

APPROVE MINUTES: Commissioner Baden made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on September 2, 2014. Commissioner Chambers second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.

REPORT OF OFFICERS: Commissioner Barber made a motion to approve the claims to be paid from August 30-September 12, 2014 in the amount of \$215,546.92. Commissioner Chambers second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.

Finance:

Donald Elliott

Monthly Reports:

Fire Department

Police Department

Public Works Department

Commissioners Reports:

Accounts & Finance-Commissioner Linda Chambers

Public Health & Safety-Commissioner John LaMendola

Streets & Public Improvements-Commissioner Donald Barber

Public Properties-Commissioner Sonya Baden

FOIA Report:

Requestor:

Jeanne Nienotka

Date:

8-14-14

Information Requested:

Any document pertaining to ownership of Irvin's Tires in South Beloit

Robert Ciarpaglini

8-20-14

Rescue run reports regarding Ted Shenberger from 2012-2014

Saran Collins

8-21-14

Electronic records for purchase orders from 1/1/08 to current

Ilah Tinder

8-26-14

All records from the South Beloit Fire Department regarding the emergency call on 8-5-

14 at approximately 9:20-9:25 pm for 5632
Stateline Rd South Beloit

K Kyle Arney

9-3-14

1. Information pertaining to Northgate Estates Mobile Home Community from the Fire and Police Departments regarding any violations, fines, legal actions, municipal liens as enforced by the City of South Beloit 1-1-99 thru 9-3-14.
2. A summary of any and all Police and Fire Department responses between 1-1-09 thru 8-31-14.

Attorney Sosnowski stated that the Public Access Counselor opinions have been made regarding Freedom of Information requests reports. All Freedom of Information Requests (FOIA's) should be submitted to the City Clerk's Office, with the exception of the Police Department. Forms for the request can be found the City's website.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Mayor Schoonover read a proclamation to proclaim October 2, 2014 as Manufacturing Day.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Discussion and/or Motion Items:

- a. Commissioner LaMendola made a motion to approve the request for the Homecoming Parade from South Beloit High School to be held on October 3, 2014 from 1:25-2:10 pm. Commissioner Chambers second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.
- b. Jerry Miller was present from the South Beloit Lions Club to request funds from the Hotel/Motel fund. There was discussion regarding the proper use for funds being used from the Hotel/Motel fund. Mayor Schoonover explained the idea from the fund is to bring visitors to the City in order to stay at Hotels in South Beloit. Attorney Sosnowski stated that the fund should not be used for donations, but rather for events that are used to promote tourism or tourist related events in the City. The request from the South Beloit Lions Club for an expenditure from the Hotel/Motel fund for advertisement and promotion in the amount of \$5000.00 died for a lack of a motion.
- c. Commissioner Chambers made a motion to approve Resolution 5730 appointing Jose Luis Alarcon to the South Beloit Library Board for the un-expired three (3) year term of Judy Zhe set to expire on July 1, 2015. Commissioner LaMendola second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.
- d. Commissioner LaMendola made a motion to approve Resolution 5731 appointing Phillip (Chuck) LaPointe and Tracy Patrick as Trustees for the Fire Pension Board for terms of three (3) years with said terms to expire in September 2017. Commissioner Chambers second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.
- e. Commissioner Chambers made a motion to layover the quote from Kelsey Excavation, Inc for influent screw pump repair at a cost not to exceed \$63,000.00 until additional quotes are obtained. Commissioner Baden second the motion. Voice vote carried the motion.
- f. Attorney Sosnowski explained the City is entertaining entering into a redevelopment agreement for a Tax Increment Financing District. The Resolution is the first step in the process, and does not guarantee the City will move forward with the district. Commissioner LaMendola made a motion to approve Resolution 5732 a Resolution of the City of South Beloit, Winnebago County, Illinois, expressing an official intent regarding the negotiation of one or more redevelopment agreements and the reimbursement of certain expenditures in connection with the Gardner/Blackhawk redevelopment project area. Commissioner Chambers second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.

MISCELLANEOUS

LICENSES AND PERMITS:

1. RLE'S:

- a. Heather Hulmes-White Bear Tavern
Commissioner Barber made a motion to approve second by Commissioner Baden. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.

Mayor Schoonover responded to a written question from resident Tom Fitzgerald. He asked when the Street Department would be getting a lift bucket. Public Works Director, Jeff Reininger stated there were funds in the budget for a tow behind lift bucket, but that he has not researched options yet. Mr. Fitzgerald stated he believes a bucket truck would be more beneficial than a tow behind and the matter should be taken care of.

ADJOURN:

At 7:00 pm on a motion made by Commissioner LaMendola second by Commissioner Baden. Voice vote carried the motion.

Mayor

City Clerk

Approved: