

CITY OF SOUTH BELOIT  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
December 16, 2019

CALL TO ORDER: 5:00 pm, Council Chambers, City Hall by Mayor Rehl.

ROLL CALL: Present & answering to roll call were Commissioners Duffy, Fitzgerald, Hedrington, Morse, and Mayor Rehl  
City Attorney Aaron Szeto was present  
City Clerk Tracy Patrick recorded the minutes  
Department Heads in attendance:  
Fire Chief Mike Davenport  
Police Chief Adam Truman  
Public Works Supervisor Mike Murphy

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 Hedrington made a motion to approve the agenda second by Commissioner Fitzgerald. Voice vote carried the motion.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. Commissioner Morse made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on December 2, 2019, the minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on November 11, 2019, the Public Hearing held on November 25, 2019, and the Public Hearing held on November 25, 2019. Commissioner Hedrington 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 November 16-December 13, 2019 in the amount of \$263,539.07. Commissioner Fitzgerald second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.
2. Attorney Report:  
None
4. Commissioner's Report:  
Accounts & Finance-Commissioner Tom Fitzgerald  
Public Health & Safety-Commissioner Brian Hedrington  
Streets & Public Improvements-Commissioner Lori Duffy  
Public Properties-Commissioner Ken Morse

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. a. Fire Chief, Mike Davenport presented Civilian Life Saving Awards to:  
Sharon Janes, Stephanie Cammelot, and April Nichols.  
b. Fire Chief, Mike Davenport presented Fire Department Personnel Life Saving Awards to:  
Gary Brown, David Palmer, Nick Miller, Bill Henthorn, Max Rude, and Taylor Ramsey.  
Mayor Rehl presented Chief Davenport with a Life Saving Award.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Discussion and/or Motion Items:
  - a. Commissioner Fitzgerald made a motion to approve Ordinance 2486 amending Certain Provisions of the Employee Handbook Relating to Alcohol and Substance Abuse Policy. Commissioner Duffy second the motion. Attorney Szeto explained the amendment is due marijuana becoming a legal substance. Employees cannot come to work impaired. The amendment will apply to all non-represented employees, and will apply to represented

- employees once the item is worked out with the Bargaining Units. Council discussed employees that have CDL Licenses and employees that may have a prescription for medical marijuana. Attorney Szeto said the change does not provide any exception for medical marijuana. Employers are able to elect to be a drug free workplace. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.
- b. Commissioner Fitzgerald made a motion to approve Ordinance 2487 amending Chapter 14 Buildings, Article III Building Code, Section 14-56 of the City Code of Ordinances Regarding the Building Code. Commissioner Morse second the motion. Attorney Szeto explained the amendment is regarding building permit and will allow for only 1 extension, which will expire 12 months after the extension. If the work is not completed after the 1-year extension the applicant would need to re-apply. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.
  - c. Commissioner Duffy made a motion to approve Ordinance 2488 amending Chapter 38 Fire Prevention, Article I, In General, Section 38-7, Open Burning of the City Code of Ordinances. Commissioner Fitzgerald second the motion. Attorney Szeto explained the amendment was a recommendation made by staff and explained the amendments. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.
  - d. Commissioner Duffy made a motion to approve Ordinance 2489 approving an Agreement for the purchase of Real Property located at 602 Ingersoll Place by the City. Commissioner Morse second the motion. Attorney Szeto reviewed the property status and stated the Tax Trustee will deed the property to the City for \$295.07. The City can take down the dead trees on the property and recoup the cost from the sale of the property. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.
  - e. Commissioner Hedrington made a motion to approve Resolution 6090 approving the renewal of the City's Insurance with Gallagher Benefits. Commissioner Morse second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.
  - f. Commissioner Duffy made a motion to approve Resolution 6091 approving a Memorandum of Understanding with Nature at the Confluence Inc. Commissioner Hedrington second the motion. Attorney Szeto reviewed the Memorandum of Understanding and stated there were still remaining items that have not been agreed upon. Commissioner Hedrington made a motion to layover Resolution 6091 second by Commissioner Duffy. Voice vote carried the motion.
  - g. Commissioner Fitzgerald made a motion to approve Resolution 6092 authorizing PMA Financial Services and PMA Securities to provide investment services and authorizing the City to enter into a Declaration of Trust Establishing the IL Public Reserves Investment Management Trust. Commissioner Duffy second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.
  - h. Commissioner Morse made a motion to approve Resolution 6093 approving pay increases for certain employees. Commissioner Fitzgerald second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.
  - i. Commissioner Duffy made a motion to approve authorizing City staff to move forward with obtaining quotes for the purchase of remote opener for gate at 624 Eastern Avenue. Commissioner Morse second the motion. Public Works Supervisor, Mike Murphy explained the gate is 26' and hard to open. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.
  - j. Commissioner Morse made a motion to approve authorizing City staff to move forward with obtaining quotes for the upgrade of electric service to 200 amp in Building B at 624 Eastern Avenue. Commissioner Duffy second the motion. Public Works Supervisor, Mike Murphy said Building B is currently 100-amp service and needs to be upgraded to 200 amp. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.
  - k. Commissioner Duffy made a motion to waive formal bidding/quote requirement to allow for the emergency purchase of Effluent Pump for the sewer plant in the amount of \$22,116.00. Commissioner Morse second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.

MISCELLANEOUS  
LICENSES & PERMITS:

1. Business Licenses:
  - a. Crazy Joe Wraps
  - b. Pate Plaza Mart Inc.
2. RLE's 2019:
  - a. Taylor Benham-Fasmart #5156
  - b. Nicole Gordon-Fasmart #5156
  - c. Beth Meinheit-Fasmart #5156
  - d. Amanda Rigstad-Fasmart #5156
  - e. Sandy Hearn-Fasmart #5232
  - f. Angela Lameyer-Fasmart #5232
  - g. Christina Massas-Fasmart #5232
  - h. Christine Rowlett-Fasmart #5232
  - i. Jessica Scott-Wade-Fasmart #5232

j. Michelle Stallings-Fasmart #5232

3. RLE's 2020:
  - a. Danica N Basile-Bravo Pizza
  - b. Audryana Johnson-Bravo Pizza
  - c. Kaylyn Nyen-Bravo Pizza
  - d. Linda Oldenburg-Bravo Pizza
  - e. Shelby Welitschinsky-Bravo Pizza
  - f. Nina Bowgren-Hollywood Slots
  - g. Dhamendakumar Chaudhari-Hometown Food & Liquor
  - h. China Collins-Jena's
  - i. Kerry Fleming-Jena's
  - j. Lanae Anderson-Mustangs
  - k. Allishia Eggers-Mustangs
  - l. Ankitkumar Patel-Quick N Save
  - m. Ashok Patel-Quick N Save
  - n. Jitendra Patel-Quick N Save
  - o. Deep Patel-South Beloit Food & Liquor
  - p. Esmeralda Paddock-Vegas Magic
  
4. Video Gaming Licenses:
  - a. Victory Slots & Bar
  - b. Got Slots
  
5. Tobacco Licenses:
  - a. Pate Plaza Mart Inc.
  
6. Miscellaneous Licenses:
  - a. Pate Plaza Mart Inc.
  
7. Retail Liquor:
  - a. Pate Plaza Mart Inc.

Commissioner Morse made a motion to approve all licenses with the exception of the Retail Liquor License for Pate Plaza Mart Inc second by Commissioner Duffy. Voice vote carried the motion.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 5:48 pm on a motion made by Commissioner Hedrington second by Commissioner Fitzgerald. The purpose for Executive Session is to:

1. Discuss pending or probable litigation as provided by 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (11) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act.

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION:

At 6:04 pm.

ROLL CALL:

Roll call showed all members present at the onset of the meeting.

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

None

ADJOURN:

At 6:04 pm on a motion made by Commissioner Duffy second by Commissioner Morse. Voice vote carried the motion.

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Mayor

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City Clerk

Approved: