

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL HELD IN THE CITY OF SAVANNA, CARROLL COUNTY, ILLINOIS, ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 23, 2016 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT 333 CHICAGO AVENUE, SAVANNA, ILLINOIS 61074

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor McCombie called the City Council meeting to order on said date at 7:00 P.M. Notice of the meeting was delivered to all Council members and posted in accordance with the State of Illinois Open Meetings Act.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mayor McCombie led the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL/ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM:

Mayor McCombie asked the City Clerk to call the roll with Mayor McCombie, Bill Robinson, Pat Sanchez, Scott Law, and Christine Lee, present, establishing a quorum. Absent: John Peterson, Peg Haffey, Lisa Robinson and Jeff Griswold. Also in attendance were City Clerk, Paul Hartman, Craig LaShelle, Fire Chief Shawn Picolotti, Police Chief Mike Moon, John Lindeman Public Works Superintendent, Comptroller/Treasurer Sheryl Sipe, City Attorney Phil Jensen, Brittany Hatteberg, Warren Schaller, Mike Miller-News Media, Jill Pepin-Community Funding and Planning Services, Andrea Rumler-Winkel, Parker, & Foster CPA PC.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Mayor McCombie asked for review and discussion of said agenda, pursuant to consideration. With limited discussion, **Scott Law made a motion, seconded by Christine Lee, to approve the agenda, as presented.** Mayor McCombie asked for discussion on the motion and hearing none asked for a voice roll call on the motion with all members present voting in favor. Mayor McCombie declared the motion carried, passed and approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Consideration of the Minutes of the August 9, 2016 Regular and Executive Session Mayor McCombie asked for review and discussion of said minutes excluding the Executive Session Minutes, with **Christine Lee making a motion, seconded by Bill Robinson, to waive the reading of said minutes and approve said minutes, as presented.** Mayor McCombie asked for discussion on the motion and hearing none asked for a voice roll call on the motion with all members present voting in favor. Mayor McCombie declared the motion carried, passed and approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: None.

WARRANT #4A:

Additional Invoices Totaling \$574.50 Mayor McCombie asked for review and discussion, pursuant to consideration of Warrant #4A. During discussion, Police Chief Mike Moon clarified said invoice is for an ad for hiring police officers to establish an inventory of potential candidates for possible employment, **Bill Robinson made a motion, seconded by Pat Sanchez, to approve and pay said warrant, as presented.** Mayor McCombie asked for a called roll on the motion with Bill Robinson, Christine Lee, Pat Sanchez, Scott Law, and Mayor McCombie voting in favor. Mayor McCombie declared the motion carried, passed and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Winkel, Parker & Foster CPA PC, Presentation of Fiscal Year 2015/2016 Audit Mayor McCombie introduced Andrea Rumler to present said audit. Ms. Rumler reviewed the audit report concluding the financial records of the City of Savanna have been maintained in accordance with the standards known as Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP). After concluding presentation, the City Council acknowledged this report by general consensus.

MONTHLY REPORTS:

Public Works for July 2016 Mayor McCombie referred to said distributed report and

after discussion, **Christine Lee made a motion, seconded by Scott Law, to accept and approve this report, as discussed and presented.** Mayor McCombie asked for discussion on the motion and hearing none asked for a voice roll call on the motion with all members present voting in favor. Mayor McCombie declared the motion carried, passed and approved.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Wastewater Treatment Facility, Main and Bowen Street Lift Stations and In-System Sewer Improvements Project Update and Associated Action Items Mayor McCombie referred presentation to John Lindeman, Public Works Superintendent. The Superintendent referred to the report from Scott Duckett, Engineer – MSA e-mailed to all members commenting the project is on schedule. The City Council asked for additional information on specific excavation work, other work related jobs and weighed placing the engineering reports on the City's website. John Lindeman, Public Works Superintendent noted he had received preliminary news that the City will receive a debt reduction of 45% for its treatment plant loan and in-system loan. An official announcement is planned. **The City Council accepted this report by general consensus of the members present.**

Ordinance Officer Update Mayor McCombie referred presentation of this report to Police Chief Mike Moon. The Chief had no report with Mayor McCombie noting the department continues to work on a listing of auto/trailer issues. After discussion, **the City Council acknowledged this report by general consensus.**

TIF, Update Mayor McCombie referred said item for presentation to Jill Pepin, Community Funding and Planning Services who reported no updates are noted and fielded questions from City Council members related to the TIF funding process. **After discussion, the City Council acknowledged this report by general consensus.**

Ordinance Amending, Title 7, Chapter 2, Section 7-Noxious Weeds Mayor McCombie commented the Personnel/Ordinance/Public Relations Committee recommend passage of this proposed ordinance and asked for review and discussion, pursuant to consideration of said proposed ordinance providing for an escalated fine for continued violation of the referenced Savanna City Code. Christine Lee previewed said proposed ordinance outlining proposed amendments. After discussion, **Christine Lee made a motion, seconded by Scott Law, to read said proposed ordinance by title only and adopt said proposed ordinance #2174, as presented.** Mayor McCombie read the proposed ordinance #2174 by title only and asked for discussion on the motion and hearing none asked for a voice roll call on the motion with all members present voting in favor. Mayor McCombie declared the motion carried, passed and approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

Hotel/Motel 2016-2017 Ad Plan Mayor McCombie referred to a distributed plan and went through the plan noting various aspects of said plan totaling \$14,616.00. After discussion, **Christine Lee made a motion, seconded by Pat Sanchez, to accept and approve said Ad Plan, as presented.** Mayor McCombie asked for discussion on the motion and hearing none asked for a voice roll call on the motion with all members present voting in favor. Mayor McCombie declared the motion carried, passed and approved.

Advertising Signs, Regulations-Tabled

Intersection Solicitors License, VFW Post 2223 & Intersection Solicitors License, Council K of C Charities, Inc. Mayor McCombie referred to applications submitted by the referenced applicants to solicit contributions from the occupant of any vehicle at the intersection of the stop light on Route 52/64/84 on said dates & times, as stated on the application form. After discussion, **Scott Law made a motion, seconded by Pat Sanchez, to approve said license applications, as stated therein.** Mayor McCombie asked for discussion on the motion and hearing none asked for a voice roll call on the motion with all members present voting in favor. Mayor McCombie declared the motion carried, passed and approved.

TBC Billing Service Agreement, Savanna Fire Department Mayor McCombie referred to a billing service agreement and asked for review and discussion, pursuant to consideration. This service agreement provides for the firm The Billing Service to bill for claims to all insurance companies, government agencies and patients for payment for all accounts submitted on behalf of the Savanna Fire Department for a 5% service fee on collected fees. After discussion, **Bill Robinson made a motion, seconded by Christine Lee, to accept and approve this agreement, as written and discussed.** Mayor McCombie asked for discussion on the motion and hearing none asked for a voice roll call on the motion with all members present voting in favor. Mayor McCombie declared the motion carried, passed and approved.

TIF Ordinance #2175 Approving the Highway 84 and Wacker Road Redevelopment Plan & TIF Ordinance #2176 Designating the Proposed Highway 84 and Wacker Road Redevelopment Project Area & TIF Ordinance #2177 Adopting Tax Increment Allocation Financing for the Highway 84 and Wacker Road Redevelopment Project Area Mayor McCombie asked for review and discussion, pursuant to consideration of the referenced proposed Ordinances. The City Council concluded to consider all three ordinances at once. After a brief discussion, **Bill Robinson motioned, seconded by Christine Lee, to waive the 1st reading of said proposed ordinances, read by title only said proposed ordinances and adopt said ordinances, as identified herein.** Mayor McCombie asked for discussion on the motion and hearing none asked for a voice roll call on the motion with all members present voting in favor. Mayor McCombie declared the motion carried, passed and approved.

CITIZENS, COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Craig LaShelle asked for and received from John Lindeman Public Works Superintendent an update on the storm sewer project on Milwaukee Street, a question and response from John Lindeman Public Works Superintendent on the clean-up on the Bernie Hiher property, also a question and response from John Lindeman Public Works Superintendent on building a garage at 908 Viaduct Road, and asked and received a response from Police Chief Mike Moon on raising chickens within the corporate limits of Savanna.

Mike Miller asked for and received from Mayor McCombie clarification on a hearing planned to review the anticipated water and sewer fees tentatively set for September 2016.

Scott Law asked, with responses from John Lindeman Public Works Superintendent, several work related work projects.

Christine Lee asked, with responses from John Lindeman Public Works Superintendent, several questions entailing the North Fifth Street Program.

Police Chief Mike Moon asked for a Personnel/Ordinance/Public Relations Committee meeting to discuss newly adopted related drug State regulations that may be in conflict with City regulatory provisions.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

5ILCS 120/2 (c)(1) Consideration and Discussion of the Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance, Dismissal of Specific Employees or to Hear Testimony on a Complaint Lodged Against an Employee No session considered.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor McCombie adjourned the meeting at 8:08PM

Minutes composed by Paul Hartman – City Clerk