

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF SAVANNA, CARROLL COUNTY, ILLINOIS, HELD ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 27, 2016 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT 333 CHICAGO AVENUE, SAVANNA, ILLINOIS 61074

CALL TO ORDER/ PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mayor McCombie called the meeting to order on said date at 7:00 PM. Notice of the meeting was delivered to all Council members and posted following the State of Illinois Open Meetings Act. Mayor McCombie led the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL/ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM:

Mayor McCombie asked City Clerk, Paul Hartman to call the roll with Mayor McCombie, Bill Robinson, Pat Sanchez, Peg Haffey, Lisa Robinson, Scott Law, and Christine Lee, present showing a quorum. Absent: John Peterson & Jeff Griswold. Also in attendance were City Clerk, Paul Hartman, Comptroller/Treasurer Sheryl Sipe, Fire Chief Shawn Picolotti, Police Chief Mike Moon, Public Works Superintendent John Lindeman, City Attorney Phil Jensen, Mike Nester, Mike Miller and Colton Ostrum - News Media, Sara DeSpain Purdom, Honorable Val and Deb Gunnarsson, Chris James, Hunter James, Wayne Heft Jim Freidenbach, Steve Haring, Gary LaShelle, Mayors John Huggins, and Vicky Trager

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Mayor McCombie asked for review and discussion of said agenda, following consideration, Mayor McCombie added to new business "Ordinance Amendment to City Savanna City Code 1-8-11- Salary City Clerk". After limited discussion, **Christine Lee made a motion, seconded by Peg Haffey, to approve the agenda, with the addition.** 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 December 13, 2016 Regular Meeting Mayor McCombie asked for review and discussion of said minutes pointing out the part of the minutes regarding Fire Department turn out gear is amended with corrected minute documents distributed to City Council members. After review, **Peg Haffey made a motion, seconded by Lisa Robinson, to waive the reading of said minutes and approve said minutes.** 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.

COMMUNICATIONS:

West Carroll After Prom Mayor McCombie referred to correspondence included in the agenda packet associated with a West Carroll after prom event and encouraged City Council members to contribute to this sponsored event. This action approved by consensus of the member's present.

Letter of Resignation, Tony McCombie Mayor McCombie referred to and read said correspondence, included in the agenda packet. After discussion, **Peg Haffey made a motion, seconded by Lisa Robinson, to accept with regret said resignation, 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.

APPOINTMENTS:

Mayor-Swearing In By Judge Gunnarsson Mayor McCombie suggested the City Council appoint Peg Haffey to the office of Mayor with **Christine Lee making a motion, seconded by Bill Robinson to ratify said nomination.** Mayor McCombie asked for other nominations and hearing none 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. Judge Gunnarsson executed the oath of office to Peg Haffey who assumed the position of Mayor for the City of Savanna.

Mayor Pro-Tern Mayor Haffey asked for consideration of appointing a Mayor Pro-Tem, with **Mayor Haffey recommending Bill Robinson as Mayor Pro-Tem. Christine Lee made a motion, seconded by Scott Law to accept the Mayor's recommendation.** Mayor Haffey 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 Haffey 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 Haffey referred presentation to John Lindeman Public Works Superintendent. The Superintendent gave limited details of current activities indicating work continues on schedule. **This action approved by consensus of the member's present.**

Street Project Update and Associated Action Items Mayor Haffey referred presentation to John Lindeman Public Works Superintendent. The Superintendent gave details of issues existing that must wait for better weather to put the last touches to or negotiate a cost reduction with the contractor enfolded the work satisfying final completion. No action indicated by the City Council. **This action approved by consensus of the member's present.**

NEW BUSINESS:

Ordinance, Amending Title 1, Chapter 6, Section 4, "Meetings" Mayor Haffey referred to a distributed proposed ordinance amending said section changing the current City Council meeting time to 7:30 PM. After discussion, **Christine Lee made a motion, seconded by Bill Robinson, to read said proposed ordinance by title only, waive the second reading, and adopt Ordinance # 2189, as presented.** Mayor Haffey 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 Haffey declared the motion carried, passed and approved.

Moring Disposal Contract Mayor Haffey asked for review and discussion, following consideration and asked Bill Robinson and John Lindeman Public Works Superintendent to present this item. The Superintendent observed the City Council at their 11-09-16 meeting referred to a copy of the burning regulations maintaining a limited number of complaints were received associated with the open burning of landscape waste and pointed to the newly upgraded street surfacing recently completed and concerned citizens suggesting open burning of landscape waste be prohibited in the City of Savanna. The City had previously eliminated from the refuse collection contract landscape waste collection. The City Council by consensus resolved to obligate John Lindeman Public Works Superintendent to ask for a cost proposal from the current refuse collection service contractor to reinstate the landscape waste service. The Superintendent indicated he had contacted the current collection service contractor who suggested the City Council not get into offering a landscape waste service and in its place consent to a subscription by vendor arrangement with the collection service contractor without City involvement. After discussion, the City Council did not initiate any action on landscape waste service and will further discuss this item in committee session.

During the landscape waste venture the collection and disposal contract was discussed with those involved concluding that since the current collection and disposal contract ends April 30, 2017 the City Council should focus on extending the term of the current contract another 4 years expiring April 30, 2021 in accordance with the terms of the current contract. After discussion, **Bill Robinson made a motion, seconded by Pat Sanchez, to tentatively accept a four-year contract extension with Moring Disposal Inc., subject to committee review, recommendation and ratification.** Mayor Haffey asked for a called roll on the motion with Peg Haffey, Pat Sanchez, Bill Robinson, Scott Law, Lisa Robinson and Christine Lee voting in favor of the motion. Mayor Haffey declared the motion carried, passed and approved.

Added Item - Ordinance Amendment – 1-8-11 Salary City Clerk Mayor Haffey referred to a proposed ordinance amending said section increasing the elected city clerk of the City of Savanna from \$1,400.00 to \$2,800.00 per annum. After a lengthy discussion, **Bill Robinson made a motion, seconded by Scott Law, to read said proposed ordinance by title only, waive the second reading of said proposed ordinance, and adopt Ordinance #2190, as presented.** Mayor Haffey asked for a called roll on the motion with Peg Haffey, Pat Sanchez, Bill Robinson, Scott Law, Lisa Robinson, and Christine Lee voting in favor of the motion. Mayor Haffey declared the motion carried, passed, and approved.

CITIZENS, COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Mayor Haffey asked for comments noted, as follows;

Vicky Trager, Mayor of Thomson addressed the City Council thanking the City of Savanna for cooperating and supporting TCEDA and wished Tony McCombie and Mayor Haffey well in their new posts.

John Huggins, Mayor of Lanark welcomed Mayor Haffey as Mayor of Savanna and thanked Tony McCombie for her service.

Tony McCombie recognized Hunter James for his recent joining the Air Force.

Fire Chief Shawn Picolotti noted a blood drive is scheduled at the fire station on the 28th of

December 2016.

Scott Law congratulated Mayor Haffey and thanked Tony McCombie for her service as Mayor of the City of Savannah.

City Attorney Phil Jensen wished everyone a Happy New Year.

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 City Council executive session.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Haffey adjourned the meeting at 7:40 PM.

By Paul Hartman, City Clerk