

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL HELD IN THE CITY OF SAVANNA, CARROLL COUNTY, ILLINOIS, ON TUESDAY, MARCH 28, 2017 AT 7:30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT 333 CHICAGO AVENUE, SAVANNA, ILLINOIS 61074**

**CALL TO ORDER/ PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Mayor Haffey called the meeting to order on said date at 7:30 PM. Notice of the meeting was delivered to all Council members and posted at 333 Chicago Avenue, Savanna, Illinois in accordance with the State of Illinois Open Meetings Act. Mayor Peg Haffey led the pledge of allegiance.

**ROLL CALL/ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM:**

Mayor Haffey asked City Clerk, Paul Hartman to call the roll with Mayor Haffey, Bill Robinson, Pat Sanchez, Samantha Ritchie, Jim Friedenbach, Jeff Griswold, and Chris James present, constituting a quorum. Lisa Robinson arriving at 7:35 pm. Absent: Christine Lee. Also in attendance were City Clerk, Paul Hartman, Comptroller/Treasurer Sheryl Sipe, City Attorney Phil Jensen, John Lindeman Public Works Superintendent, Fire Chief Shawn Picoletti, Mike Nester, Mike Miller and Colton Ostrum - News Media, Sara DeSpain Purdom and Roger Husband, Wendy & Larry Hoertz, Sharon Pepin - Community Funding and Planning Services, Larry Stebbins, Sharon Eckstein and Marne' LaShelle.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Mayor Haffey asked for review and discussion of said agenda, pursuant to consideration by the City Council. After limited discussion, **Bill Robinson made a motion, seconded by Chris James, to approve the agenda, as presented.** Mayor Peg 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.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**Consideration of the Minutes of the March 14, 2017 Regular Meeting and March TIF Joint Review Board** Mayor Haffey asked for review and discussion, pursuant to consideration of said minutes. After review, **Bill Robinson made a motion, seconded by Samantha Ritchie, to waive the reading of said minutes and approve said minutes, 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.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Finance Committee 03-20-17 & Finance Committee 03-22-17 - Annual Auditing Services RFP's for 3 Years & Budget for FY 2017/2018** Mayor Peg Haffey referred presentation of these reports to Finance Committee Chair Bill Robinson. The Committee reviewed RFP's for Annual Auditing Services, receiving two proposals from interested CPA'S submitted for consideration tabularized, as follows;

|                                  | 2017     | 2018     | 2019     |
|----------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|
| WIPFLi CPA's                     | \$26,250 | \$25,250 | \$25,750 |
| Winkel, Parker, & Foster, CPA PC | \$27,000 | \$27,500 | \$28,075 |

The Committee is recommending Winkel, Parker, & Foster, our current auditing firm for a three-year period. This firm is familiar with several of the grant and loan funding related to the new Wastewater Treatment Facilities, Wacker Road and Safe Routes to School project and the old and new TIF District information. It is hypothesized that since the additional costs are minimal, hiring a new competing auditor at this junction will be counterproductive, since the City Administrative staff will be asked to communicate with a new auditor beyond that of the credentials of our present auditor team. After presentation, **Bill Robinson made a motion, seconded by Pat Sanchez, to approve the recommendation of the Finance Committee, as stated herein.** Mayor Peg Haffey asked for a called roll on the motion with Jim Friedenbach, Samantha Ritchie, Pat Sanchez, Bill Robinson, Chris James, Lisa Robinson, and Jeff Griswold, voting in favor of the motion.

The Committee updated the FY 17/18 listing of capital expenditures distributed to the City Council, included is \$200,000.00 to advance the Wacker Road and Safe Routes to School project.

The Committee reviewed and approved recommending payment of Warrant #11A totaling \$74,309.97.

The Committee heard a presentation from Mr. William Glass - First Midstate Inc., for bonding relating to the needs associated with the advancement of the Wacker Road and Safe Routes to School Project. It is estimated by John Lindeman Public Works Superintendent, that \$500,000.00 of city funds are anticipated for street associated improvements, \$250,000.00 for watermain

replacement and \$250,000.00 for sanitary sewer replacement. Financing for these projects will require borrowing alternatives. Mr. Glass spoke on bonding alternatives available to non-home rule municipalities. Mr. Glass indicated the city has a potential bonding capacity of \$1,929,511.00. The Committee authorized Comptroller/Treasurer Sheryl Sipe and John Lindeman Public Works Superintendent to contact the community banking institutions regarding a possible loan for the Wacker Road and Safe Routes to School project.

The Committee reviewed and approved for recommendation to the City Council FY 2017/2018 Budget Worksheets & FY 2017/2018 Salary Adjustments. The Committee authorized Comptroller/Treasurer Sheryl Sipe to go ahead with including said budget worksheets in a proposed hearing and ordinance for City Council consideration.

After presentation of said reports, **Pat Sanchez made a motion, seconded by Jeff Griswold, to approve the Finance Committee reports, as presented herein.** Mayor Peg 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 Peg Haffey declared the motion carried, passed and approved.

#### **WARRANT #11A:**

**Additional Invoices Totaling \$74,309.97** Mayor Peg Haffey asked for review and discussion of said warrant, following consideration. Mayor Peg Haffey gave details on the three invoices and advised the Council that the Finance Committee had recommended payment. After a brief discussion, **Pat Sanchez made a motion, seconded by Samantha Ritchie, to approve said warrant, as presented.** Mayor Peg Haffey asked for a called roll on the motion with Jim Friedenbach, Samantha Ritchie, Pat Sanchez, Bill Robinson, Chris James, Lisa Robinson, and Jeff Griswold, voting in favor of the motion. Mayor Peg Haffey declared the motion carried, passed, and approved.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** No report.

#### **APPOINTMENTS:**

**Planning & Zoning Board, Robert Haffey, Unexpired Term 04/26/18**

**Planning & Zoning Board, Craig Hatteberg, 3 Year Term 04/26/20**

**Planning & Zoning Board, Shawn Picolotti, 3 Year Term 04/26/20**

**Police Pension Board, Stacey Lamp, 2 Year Term 04/30/19**

Mayor Peg Haffey recommended the aforesaid appointments. With no discussion, **Jeff Griswold made a motion, seconded by Lisa Robinson, to confirm said appointments, as presented.** Mayor Peg 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 Peg Haffey declared the motion carried, passed and approved.

#### **MONTHLY REPORTS:**

**Fire and Public Works for February 2017** Mayor Peg Haffey asked for consideration of the Public Works monthly report with **Lisa Robinson making a motion, seconded by Pat Sanchez, to acknowledge said report, as presented.** Mayor Peg 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 Peg Haffey declared the motion carried, passed and approved and asked Fire Chief Shawn Picolotti to present his February 2017 report at the April 11<sup>th</sup> Council meeting.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**Wastewater Treatment Facility, Main and Bowen Street Lift Stations and In- System Sewer Improvements Project Update and Associated Action Items** Mayor Peg Haffey referred presentation of this item to John Lindeman Public Works Superintendent. The Superintendent reported that Fischer had pressure tested the forcemains, and that work had begun at the Bowen Street lift station, as well as excavation had begun on the Main Street lift Station. Further, he indicated that they had 2/3rds of the roof on the head works building. After presentation, the City Council accepted this report by consensus.

**Street Project Update and Associated Action Items** Mayor Peg Haffey referred presentation of this item to John Lindeman Public Works Superintendent. The Superintendent reported he had met with the contractor and engineer and reached a tentative agreement regarding the issues identified on a punch list concerning the action items. The Superintendent is hoping for finalization for payment in the 16/17 fiscal year. After presentation, the City Council accepted this report by consensus.

**Ordinance, Amending the Highway 84 and Wacker Road Redevelopment Project Area TIF**

Mayor Peg Haffey asked for review and discussion, pursuant to consideration of the second reading of a proposed Ordinance #2194 designed to remove certain parcels of property from the TIF Redevelopment Plan adopted by the City Council August 23, 2016, specifically identified as follows: #08-07-10-116-001 Sullivan's; #08-07-10-116-038 Phone Co.; #08-07-10-116-040 Dollar General; #08-07-10-116-088 ShopKo; #08-07-10-117-002 Law Jones Funeral Home; #08-07-10-116--003 Law Jones Funeral Home; #08-07-10-116-004 Law Jones Funeral Home; #08-07-10-116-004 Law Jones Funeral Home; #08-07-10-116-005 City of Savanna City Hall; #08-07-12-300-012 Savanna Township vacant piece of land near Wacker Road. After a brief discussion, **Bill Robinson made a motion, seconded by Jim Friedenbach, to read by title only, and adopt Ordinance #2194, as presented.** Mayor Peg Haffey read said proposed ordinance 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 Peg Haffey declared the motion carried, passed and approved.

**Ordinance, Amending Title 6, Adding Chapter 12, Prohibiting the Possession or Cultivation of Cannabis or Drug Paraphernalia**

Mayor Peg Haffey asked for review and discussion, pursuant to consideration of the second reading of a proposed Ordinance #2195 adding to the Savanna City Code Chapter 12. City Attorney Phil Jensen and Police Chief Mike Moon agreed to not amend this Ordinance as previously discussed at the March 14<sup>th</sup> City Council meeting. After limited discussion, **Bill Robinson made a motion, seconded by Pat Sanchez, to read by title only, and adopt Ordinance #2195, as presented.** Mayor Peg Haffey read said proposed ordinance 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 Peg Haffey Declared the motion carried, passed and approved.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Ordinance for Disconnection of Property, Larry Hoertz** Chair Peg Haffey referred to a proposed ordinance disconnecting Lot 18 of Scenic Ridge Estates, Savanna, Illinois PIN 08-07-03-010-018 from the City of Savana and hereafter be considered part of Carroll County. After a brief discussion, **Pat Sanchez made a motion, seconded by Bill Robinson, to waive the second reading of said proposed ordinance, read by title only, and adopt Ordinance #2196, as presented.** Mayor Peg 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 Peg Haffey declared the motion carried, passed and approved.

**Garbage and Recycling Collection and Disposal Contract** Mayor Peg Haffey referred presentation of this agreement to John Lindeman Public Works Superintendent. The Superintendent reviewed a distributed contract to extend the current contract to April 30, 2021 indicating the following modifications were accepted for a four-year contract extension with Moring Disposal Inc., to the service contract confirmed at the 2-28-17 City Council meeting. The rate is going from \$9.33 per month to \$10.33 per month. Extra trash stickers to increase from \$1.00 to \$2.00. Starting in 2018 the monthly charge will be increased \$0.30 for each year remaining in the contract. Savanna Transfer Station - The trash box would increase from \$39.90 per ton to \$45.00 per ton disposal with a flat trucking fee of \$200.00 per. The recycling box would increase from \$36.75 per ton to \$40.00 per ton with, with a 2.5% increase in the per ton charge starting in 2018. During discussion, Section 6B of said contract, the date was amended and questions under Section 7,8, & 9 were clarified. After a lengthy discussion, **Bill Robinson made a motion, seconded by Pat Sanchez, to authorize Mayor Peg Haffey to affix her signature on said contract.** Mayor Peg Haffey asked for a called roll on the motion with Jim Friedenbach, Samantha Ritchie, Pat Sanchez, Bill Robinson, Chris James, Lisa Robinson, and Jeff Griswold, voting in favor of the motion. Mayor Peg Haffey declared the motion carried, passed, and approved.

**CITIZENS, COUNCIL MEMBERS:**

Mayor Peg Haffey asked for comments, resulting in the following;

**Larry Stebbins/Sara DeSpain Purdom.** Larry Stebbins read an objection to the City Council eliminating specific recycling operations, as documented in the local news media, at the transfer station with the Water, Sewer, Refuse, Street and Alley Committee supporting retaining recycling of metal, tires and yard waste only. Mr. Stebbins suggested the City Council should retain recycling processing at the transfer station and establish a cost to the benefactors for this purpose and not just eliminate recycling. Sarah DeSpain Purdom agreed suggesting she will simply place her business recycling with her residential recycling. Mayor Peg Haffey referred response to John Lindeman Public Works Superintendent. The Superintendent referred to a report to the Water, Sewer, Refuse, Street and Alley Committee reflecting current annual transfer station labor costs, including overtime, yard waste and regular hours projected for 2017, using the new rates established in the curbside refuse and recycling contract. It is clear the expenditures will double

the revenues expected. Bill Robinson indicated that he had contacted Moring Disposal and they would consider offering recycling services to businesses. He commented The Table has brokered just such a deal with Moring Disposal.

Marne' LaShelle, Roger Husband and Sharon Eckstein shared concerns with the City Council wasting time attempting to draft regulations that allow chickens in the City of Savanna advocating restricting live chickens deliberately in the City of Savanna. Mayor Peg Haffey & John Lindeman Public Works Superintendent advised City officials are currently creating language to address this issue by allowing chickens in the City only as a special use through zoning. These folks are not in favor of this or any other legislation that would allow chickens in the City. Mayor Peg Haffey observed these comments will be considered in the final analysis of this chicken issue.

Fire Chief Shawn Picolotti reminded everyone of the Savanna Fireman's Breakfast, scheduled for April 9, 2017 at the Savanna Fire Station.

Marne' LaShelle had a burning leaf question resolved by the Fire Chief Shawn Picolotti.

Jim Friedenbach had a question concerning an unlicensed motorcycle on N. Main Street with Mayor Peg Haffey referring said issue to Police Chief Mike Moon.

Chris James asked for clarification on the Fireworks scheduling with Fire Chief Shawn Picolotti clarifying.

Jeff Griswold asked for bituminous patching on Third Street with Mayor Peg Haffey deferring resolution to John Lindeman Public Works Superintendent for corrective action.

Jeff Griswold received a request from a concerned resident on Washington Street concerning a curb repair issue. Mayor Peg Haffey stipulated such requests can be channeled through the Public Works Department.

Jeff Griswold inquired on when the water and sewer bills will be going down. Comptroller/Treasurer Sheryl Sipe updated everyone present on this item.

Mayor Peg Haffey referred to correspondence from the Illinois State Board of Education, distributed to all City Council members, encouraging participation in the Summer Food Service Program.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

With no further items on the agenda to discuss, Mayor Peg Haffey adjourned the meeting at 8:26 PM.

By: Paul Hartman, City Clerk