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MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
Monday September 9, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Dickey at the Moyer Library.

Roll Call:

Ward #1	Susie Tongate:	A	Sarah Sarantakos:	P
Ward #2	Randy Wyant:	P	Ray Hankes :	P
Ward #3	Scott Davis:	P	Doug Parsons:	A
Ward #4	Denis Fisher:	P	Laura Miller:	P

Visitors: Supts. Martin, Duncan, and Nolte; Chief Rosendahl, Admin Scott Shull, Lion’s Club representative Jim Peters, Ford County Chronicle reporter Jean Noellsch, and residents Terry Roesch and Ellen Hankes.

Pledge led by Alderman Wyant.

Motion to approve Minutes of September 9, 2024, made by Alderman Miller, 2nd made by Alderman Sarantakos, motion carried 8/0.

Visitor Comments:

Lion’s Club member Jim Peters requested approval for the annual Lion’s Club Candy Sales to be held Friday October 11th 7 a.m.-5:00 p.m. and Saturday October 12th 7 a.m. – 11:00 a.m., same locations – 8th & Sangamon and Bradbury’s Auto – Rt 47 & West 8th. Council agreed.

Committee Reports:

Alderman Sarantakos gave an updated summary of New Pool progress. Engineer Johnson expects to hear from the IDPH (IL Dept of Health) regarding the permit sometime in October. Once the approved permit is in hand we can proceed to put the job out for bids.

Bills:

Motion made by Alderman Sarantakos to pay TIF 2 checks in the amount of \$406,770.33, 2nd made by Alderman Wyant, motion carried 5/0.

Motion made by Alderman Sarantakos to pay TIF 3 checks in the amount of \$ 9,383.71 2nd to this motion made by Alderman Wyant, motion approved 5/0.

Motion made by Alderman Miller to pay TIF 4 checks in the amount of \$93.20, 2nd made by Alderman Davis, motion carried 5/0.

Motion made by Alderman Davis to pay DOWNTOWN TIF checks in the amount of \$1,455.46, 2nd made by Alderman Sarantakos, Motion carried 3 in favor, Wyant and Fisher abstain due to owning property in the TIF.

Motion made by Alderman Wyant to pay Bond Fund checks in the amount of \$96,797.77, 2nd made by Alderman Hankes, motion carried 6/0.

Motion made by Alderman Miller to pay General Fund checks in the amount of \$357,604.46, 2nd made by Alderman Hankes, motion carried 6-0. Alderman Sarantakos questioned if the check to Serv Pro for

\$63,571.00 means we are ready to start reconstruction inside City Hall. Supt. Martin stated yes, we can move forward.

New Business:

- A.** Discussion and Consideration of Ordinance 2024-O-13 approving the terms of the CDAP (Community Development Assistance Program) in the amount of \$50,000.00 to Jenny & Natalie DeSchepper for their new business, Rising Bakery. City Clerk Hall noted there were some corrections mentioned by Ms. DeSchepper, changing references to August to September and correcting the loan amount in II. Loan, 2.1 amount corrected to \$50,000.00. Motion to approve Ordinance 2024-O-13 with changes noted made by Alderman Sarantakos, 2nd made by Alderman Davis, motion carried 6/0. Plans for signing papers and issuing the check scheduled for Thursday, September 12th, 4:30 p.m. at the library between City Atty. Miller and DeScheppers.

- B.** Resolution 2024-R-05, approving the parade route for the annual lighted holiday parade – Saturday November 23, 2024, from 4:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Permission is granted by IDOT for closure of 1st Street at Wood, to Sangamon Avenue (which is actually IL Routes 54 & 9). Alderman Hankes made the motion to approve Resolution 24-R-05, 2nd by Alderman Miller, motion carried 6/0.

- C.** Fashion Shop Carpet quotes – City Clerk Hall obtained quotes from the Fashion Shop to replace carpeting throughout city hall (result of rain damage). City Council room -\$6,176.80, Office - \$2,340.80, and hallway, excluding stairs, \$2094.47. The quote was based on using matching commercial carpet tiles that were installed in the Mayor’s office and small conference room after the painting project a couple of years ago. Hall suggested enough added to hire Fashion Shop to remove and prep the areas as they did previously. Total came to \$10,612.07, and Alderman Wyant to approve an amount not to exceed \$12,000.00, 2nd made by Alderman Fisher, motion carried 6/0. Hall was directed to move forward with placing the order.

- D.** At this time, Alderman Davis made a motion to Enter Executive Session according the ILCS 5/120/2 to consider appointment, employments, or compensation of one or more specific person. 2nd to this motion made by Alderman Hankes, motion carried 6/0 and council entered Executive Session at 7:20 p.m.

- E.** The council returned to regular session at 7:40 p.m.

- F.** Mayor Dickey read wages of Water, Sewer, Streets & Alleys personnel, and Supt. Martin explained that he has several applications and interviews scheduled, hoping to hire one for Water, and one for Streets & Alleys in the coming week. He felt it is important to offer a starting wage of \$25.00 per hour in order to receive applications. This increase triggers the need for an adjustment with current employees in these departments. Recommended increases in hourly wages are as follows: Cole Hutchcraft \$25, Dave Merrit \$31.49, Mike Taylor \$26, Rob Knerr \$27.36, Joe Buff \$31.49, Josh McNutt \$25. Noted by Alderman Davis the budget with contingencies will accommodate these increases. Supt. Martin noted asked these wage increases begin next pay period. Motion to approve the increases as read made by Alderman Wyant, 2nd made by Alderman Hankes, wages as listed approved 6/0 beginning next pay period.

- G.** Motion to adjourn – made by Alderman Davis, 2nd by Alderman Hankes. Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

ATTEST

APPROVED

Janice L. Hall, City Clerk

Mayor Daniel Dickey