

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE NORMAL TOWN COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, NORMAL CITY HALL, FOURTH FLOOR UPTOWN STATION, 11 UPTOWN CIRCLE, NORMAL, MCLEAN COUNTY, ILLINOIS – MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2015.

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor pro tem Sonja Reece called the regular meeting of the Normal Town Council to order at 7:09 p.m., Monday, February 2, 2015.

2. ROLL CALL:

The Clerk called the roll with the following persons physically

PRESENT: Mayor pro tem Sonja Reece and Councilmembers Jeff Fritzen, Kevin McCarthy, Scott Preston, Chuck Scott and Cheryl Gaines. Also present were City Manager Mark Peterson, Deputy City Manager Pamela Reece, Deputy Corporation Counsel Wayne Karplus, and Town Clerk Wendy Briggs.

ABSENT: Mayor Chris Koos and Corporation Counsel Brian Day.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mayor pro tem Reece led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Mayor pro tem Sonja Reece led a Moment of Silence in honor of Firefighter Robert D. Aper, Sr., who died unexpectedly on January 24, 2015.

4. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:

Mayor pro tem Reece read aloud the items to be considered under the Omnibus Vote Agenda.

A. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF JANUARY 20, 2015:

B. APPROVAL OF TOWN OF NORMAL EXPENDITURES FOR PAYMENT AS OF JANUARY 28, 2015:

C. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH TANK INDUSTRY CONSULTANTS FOR EVALUATION, ENGINEERING, CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION, TESTING AND CONSTRUCTION SERVICES FOR THE ELEVATED TANK #2 REHABILITATION PROJECT: Resolution No. 5079:

D. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH HEARTLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE (HCC) FOR THE TOWN TO PROVIDE SUPERVISED CLINICAL RIDE TIME WITH NORMAL FIRE DEPARTMENT PARAMEDICS FOR HCC EMT-BASIC/EMT-PARAMEDIC STUDENTS: Resolution No. 5080:

- E. ORDINANCE ABATING THE LEVY OF THE 2014 PROPERTY TAXES FOR SPECIAL SERVICE AREA NUMBER ONE: Ordinance No. 5580:
- F. ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 23 (TRAFFIC) OF THE TOWN OF NORMAL MUNICIPAL CODE – PARKING REGULATIONS: Ordinance No. 5581:

Councilmember Fritzen excused himself from voting on any bills submitted by Bloomington Offset Process, Inc.

Councilmember Reece excused herself from voting on any bills submitted by Advocate BroMenn Medical Center.

No items were removed from the Omnibus Vote Agenda.

MOTION:

Councilmember Fritzen moved, seconded by Councilmember McCarthy, the Council Approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda.

AYES: Fritzen, McCarthy, Preston, Scott, Gaines, Reece.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Koos.

Motion declared carried.

Items A, B, C, D, E, and F were approved by the Omnibus Vote Agenda.

5. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:

No items were removed.

GENERAL ORDERS:

There were no items for consideration under General Orders.

NEW BUSINESS:

6. MOTION TO APPROVE TWO RE-APPOINTMENTS TO THE NORMAL POLICE PENSION BOARD:

MOTION:

Councilmember Preston moved, seconded by Councilmember Scott, the Council Approve the Two Re-Appointments to the Normal Police Pension Board.

AYES: McCarthy, Preston, Scott, Gaines, Fritzen, Reece.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Koos.

Motion declared carried.

Councilmember Scott announced Mr. Andrew Bender and Mr. Robert Weldon had been reappointed to the Normal Police Pension Board, their terms of office to expire on March 31, 2016, and March 31, 2017 respectively.

7. CONCERNS:

1. MOVIE PREMIERE AT NORMAL THEATER:

Councilmember Fritzen commended Town Staff for all the work that went into making the premiere of the movie “Hoovey” an outstanding success. Councilmember Fritzen indicated he received numerous positive comments about the premiere from many attendees at the event. Councilmember Fritzen encouraged the Normal Theater to dedicate a theater film festival for movies offering uplifting story lines.

2. COUNCILMEMBER REECE HONORED:

Councilmember Fritzen announced that Councilmember Sonja Reece was honored on January 31, 2015, at the Chamber of Commerce annual gala receiving the Legacy of Excellence Award for her years of service to the community. Mrs. Reece sets an outstanding example to younger people to become active and committed to the community. Councilmember Reece offered the advice to everyone in becoming involved in their community to “just show up.”

3. PUBLIC MEETING – UPTOWN PLAN:

Councilmember Scott reminded everyone of a public meeting to be held on Tuesday, February 3, 2015, in the Council Chambers from 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. This meeting will include a presentation on the 2000 Uptown Plan and proposed future steps for the Uptown and surrounding area.

4. REQUEST FROM STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION:

City Manager Mark Peterson indicated he had received a request from the Student Government Association to hold a Council Meeting on the Illinois State University Campus. Mr. Peterson indicated he would set up for a change in venue for a Council Meeting in the next couple of months.

5. DOWNSTATE LIAISON TO GOVERNOR’S OFFICE:

City Manager Mark Peterson indicated that Councilmember Preston had introduced both Mr. Peterson and Mayor to Mr. Casey Constant, who is the downstate liaison to the Governor’s Office.

8. ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor pro tem Reece called for a Motion to Adjourn.

MOTION:

Councilmember Fritzen moved, seconded by Councilmember McCarthy, the Regular Meeting of the Normal Town Council be Adjourned.

AYES: Preston, Scott, Gaines, Fritzen, McCarthy, Reece.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Koos.

Motion declared carried.

Mayor pro tem Reece adjourned the regular meeting of the Normal Town Council at 7:29 p.m., Monday, February 2, 2015.