

CITY OF ALTON  
ALTON CITY COUNCIL

MARCH 25, 2015

A Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Alton, Illinois was held in the City Council Chambers, City Hall Building, Alton, Illinois at the hour of 7:30 p.m. on the above date.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Walker.

The Council Members present on call of the roll:

PRESENT: Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

ABSENT: None – 0

Mayor Walker called upon Deputy City Clerk Williams to lead the Pledge to the Flag.

COUNCIL MINUTES, COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORT OF OFFICERS

The Clerk presented the following Council Meeting Minutes of March 11, 2015 and the following Communications: Republic Services, re: Solid Waste and Recycle Volumes for the month of February, 2015 and the following Report of Officers: City Treasurer, re: Monthly Report for February, 2015; Comptroller, re: Overtime Analysis for February, 2015. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said Minutes, Communications and Report of Officers be placed on file. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

COMMITTEE REPORT

Chairman Velloff presented the following Committee of the Whole Meeting Report for March 23, 2015; Resolution, re: Discount and Special Bills paid; Resolution, re: Execute the Renewal of Professional Services Agreement for Alarm Registration and False Alarm Management with Municipal Dynamics, LLC; Resolution, re: Pay all everyday expenses of the City until a new budget is approved; Resolution, re: Authorize Parrot Pointe Marine, Inc. to solicit bids for dredging services at the Alton Marina; Resolution, re: Demolition of 2116 Washington; Resolution, re: Demolition of 1914 Washington; Resolution, re: That the Official Board of the City of Alton directs the Chief Elected Officials to act as the authorized representative in connection with the filing of the PEP funds applications; Resolution, re: Approve the Amendment to a Cell Tower Lease; Resolution, re: Temporary closure of portions of Riverfront Drive on May 16, 2015 to facilitate the Power of the Giraffe 5K/1 mile Fun Walk; Bid Report and Resolution, re: Bid #2015-03, Asbestos Removal for 1309-1311 State Street and 1501 Sparks Street for the Building and Zoning Department. Mr. Velloff made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that said report be placed on file. The Chair so ordered.

Mr. Velloff presented the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Discount and Special Bills Paid; also all Expenditure Detail Bills as listed in the Comptroller's report dated March 23, 2015 be allowed and payment be made for same. Mr. Velloff made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that said resolution be approved.

At this time, Mr. Fleming asked for a separation of vote for the line item on page 8 under Police Department, Legal Expenses, "Hodges, Loizzi, Eisen" in the amount of \$21,487.50. Mr. Ryan seconded the motion.

The vote for approval of the line item on page 8 under Police Department, Legal Expenses, "Hodges, Loizzi, Eisen" was as follows:

AYES: MacAfee, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Boulds – 5

NAYS: Ryan, Fleming – 2

The vote for approval of the remainder of the Bill Listing was as follows:

AYES: Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

Mr. Velloff presented the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS that the Mayor and appropriate city officials are hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached RENEWAL OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR ALARM REGISTRATION AND FALSE ALARM MANAGEMENT with Municipal Dynamics, LLC. Mr. Velloff made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

Mr. Velloff presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, a new City budget will not be ready for final approval by March 31, 2015,  
and

WHEREAS, the City's fiscal year ends on that date; and

WHEREAS, it will be necessary to conduct everyday business of the City of Alton.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Alton, that all everyday expenses of the City including payroll shall continue to be paid until a new annual budget can be approved. Mr. Velloff made a motion, seconded by Mrs. MacAfee, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

Mr. Velloff presented the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that Parrot Pointe Marine, Inc. as operator of the Alton Marina, is hereby authorized and directed to solicit bids for dredging services at the Alton Marina. Mr. Velloff made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

Mr. Velloff presented the following two (2) resolutions:

1. WHEREAS, it is necessary to effect the demolition of certain structures deemed unsafe under 65 ILCS 5/11-31-1, the owners of which have neglected or refuses to perform required demolition.

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that its officials and agents are hereby authorized to pursue appropriate legal action against such properties in the Circuit Court as listed below:

2116 Washington

2. WHEREAS, it is necessary to effect the demolition of certain structures deemed unsafe under 65 ILCS 5/11-31-1, the owners of which have neglected or refuses to perform required demolition.

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that its officials and agents are hereby authorized to pursue appropriate legal action against such properties in the Circuit Court as listed below:

1914 Washington

Mr. Velloff made a motion, seconded by Mr. Brake, that said two (2) resolutions be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

Mr. Velloff presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the City of Alton (Village, City, Township or Park Board) proposes to apply for PEP funds for the following project(s):

SEE ATTACHED

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\_\_\_\_\_ ; and

WHEREAS, the funding for the projects may exceed the actual amount granted from PEP funds in which the Village, City, Township or Park Board of Alton agrees to fund the completion of the project from another source;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Official Board of the Village, City, Township or Park Board of Alton authorizes the filing of the above listed applications to Madison County in adherence to all applicable rules and regulations of the PEP program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Official Board of the Village, City, Township or Park Board of Alton hereby directed and designates the Chief Elected Official to act as the authorized representative in connection with the filing of the aforementioned applications and all concurrent meetings and hearings associated with the project approval process. Mr. Velloff made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7  
NAYS: None – 0

Mr. Velloff presented the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS that the attached Amendment to a Cell Tower Lease be approved on the recommendation of the Recreation Director of the City of Alton. Mr. Velloff made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7  
NAYS: None – 0

Mr. Velloff presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Park and Recreation Director has requested, that a portion of certain streets be closed on May 16, 2015, to facilitate Power of the Giraffe 5K/1 mile fun walk; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has considered the request, which was submitted in a timely manner, and does hereby approve said request.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the Public Works Department, Police Department and Fire Department are hereby authorized and directed (contingent upon all required IDOT approvals where applicable) to effectuate the temporary closure on May 16, 2015, from 8:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. portions of the following streets as specified below:

Riverfront Drive from its intersection with Riverfront Park Drive (east parking lot at Amphitheater) to the intersection of Henry Street and Boat Launch Road pursuant to the attached map

Mr. Velloff made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7  
NAYS: None – 0

Mr. Velloff presented the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON IL, that the best bid of Abatement Management, for 1309 – 1311 State Street in the amount of \$500.00 and for 1501 Sparks Street in the amount of \$9490.00, be awarded for Bid #2015-03 for the Building & Zoning Department. Mr. Velloff made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7  
NAYS: None – 0

### FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

Mayor Pro Tem Ryan presented the following ordinance for first reading.

Ordinance No. 7451. An Ordinance amending Chapter 12, Title 7 of the City Code pertaining to Animal License. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said ordinance be LAID OVER. The Chair so ordered.

### REPORTS AND/OR RESOLUTIONS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

The Clerk presented the following Alton Beautification and Clean City Committee, re: Minutes of February 12, 2015; the Climate Protection and Energy Efficiency Committee, re: Minutes of February 3, 2015; and Park and Recreation Commissions, re: Minutes of February 17, 2015. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said minutes be placed on file. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7  
NAYS: None – 0

### APPOINTMENTS

Mayor Walker presented the following two (2) appointments and two (2) reappointments:

Vera Gray reappointed to the Alton Beautification and Clean City Committee  
Dana Wynn appointed to the Alton Beautification and Clean City Committee  
Kris Larson appointed to the Alton Beautification and Clean City Committee  
Monica Mason reappointed to the Historical Commission

Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Martin, that said two (2) appointments and two (2) reappointments be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7  
NAYS: None – 0

APPROVAL OF ACTIONS TAKEN UNDER SUSPENSION OF RULES  
AT PRIOR MEETING

The Clerk presented the following seven (7) resolutions and one (1) ordinance:

1. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the Public Works Director be and is hereby authorized to accept the bid of Camp Electric and Heating to install an existing light pole on the Hutson Engineering parking lot and patch area where asphalt was removed in the amount of \$8,850.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that funding will come from Street Maintenance Fund (1520/9720).

2. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the Public Works/Park Maintenance Director be allowed to recycle the used fencing on various fields at Gordon Moore Park, with the proceeds used to offset the cost of new backstop material.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that remaining funding will come from Park and Recreation.

3. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the attached Illinois Environmental Protection Agency Permit Application for the replacement of the Alton Seminary Street Sanitary Sewer, as required to construct and complete the Illinois High Speed Rail Project, is hereby authorized for signature and submittal.

4. WHEREAS, the City of Alton has received enhancement and scenic byway grants (*SBIL-TE-00D8(151); 10-00229-01-LS*) through the Illinois Dept. of Transportation for landscaping and streetscape improvements to Landmarks Blvd. (*US 67/IL 143; FAP 0304 and FAP 2*) in the sum total amount of \$1,105,170.00; and

WHEREAS, the City of Alton is required to provide twenty percent (20%) of the total project costs as the local share;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that \$276,293.00 is hereby appropriated as the local share with said funds coming from the Tax Increment Finance (TIF #1) project account.

5. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the execution by the Mayor and appropriate city officials of the attached Construction Engineering Services Agreement is hereby confirmed as approved by the City Council of the City of Alton, Illinois.

6. WHEREAS, the City of Alton has had a long standing lease agreement with a tenant farmer for some of the lands owned by the City in or near Gordon Moore Park; and

WHEREAS, the City is desirous of entering into a similar lease agreement with a new tenant to farm those lands; and

WHEREAS, the City Council authorized the City Comptroller to solicit proposals from qualified farmers interested in becoming the tenant for some of the lands owned by the City in or near Gordon Moore Park; and

WHEREAS, the City Comptroller received multiple proposals on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the City Comptroller has recommended approval of the best proposal received by the City of Alton, being the one received from James E. Dempsey in the amount of \$201.00 per acre per year.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS THAT the Mayor and appropriate city officials as may be designated by the Mayor are hereby authorized and directed to execute on behalf of the City of Alton the attached Lease Agreement with James E. Dempsey.

7. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS that the attached Ordinance pertaining to a removing the handicapped parking space in front of 1131 Greene Street be considered.

8. Ordinance No. 7450. An Ordinance repealing Ordinance Number 6050, an Ordinance that established one handicapped parking space in front of 1131 Greene Street.

Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said seven (7) resolutions and one (1) ordinance be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

#### PUBLIC FORUM ADDRESSING CITY BUSINESS

Mayor Pro Tem Ryan presented the following request for the floor from Joshua Young. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said request be approved.

Mr. Young took the floor and spoke, re: Circumventing the fair legal practices.

#### COMMENTS OR RESOLUTIONS FROM THE CITY COUNCIL

Mr. Ryan presented the following two (2) resolutions:

1. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the attached ordinance approving the transfer of bond volume cap allocation to the Southwestern Illinois Development Authority be considered.

2. WHEREAS, Alderman James Ryan has requested, pursuant to the desire of the Marquette Catholic High School, that Fourth Street from its intersection with Court Street to its intersection with George Street on Saturday, May 2, 2015, be closed from 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. to facilitate the Marquette Catholic High School Fun Run & Walk; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has considered the request, which was submitted in a timely manner, and does hereby approve said request.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the Public Works Department, Police Department and Fire Department are hereby authorized and directed to effectuate the temporary closure of Fourth Street from its intersection with Court Street to its intersection with George Street on Saturday, May 2, 2015, from 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. to facilitate the Marquette Catholic High School Fun Run & Walk. Marquette Catholic High School will be responsible for any labor costs incurred by the City as it relates to this event.

Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Velloff, that the above and foregoing two (2) resolutions be referred to the Committee of the Whole. The Chair so ordered.

Mrs. MacAfee presented the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that an ordinance be considered to reverse the flow of the one-way traffic on Market Street between 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> Streets and on 8<sup>th</sup> Street between Alby and Market Street. Mrs. MacAfee made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that said resolution be referred to the Committee of the Whole. The Chair so ordered.

Mr. Velloff presented the following four (4) resolutions:

1. WHEREAS, the City of Alton holds the Lucy Haskell Playhouse Committee Fund; and

WHEREAS, the Lucy Haskell Playhouse Committee at its Match meeting recommended approval of a payment to Rick Trudell for carpentry work in the amount of \$5,200.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS that the City Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to make payment from the Lucy Haskell Playhouse Committee Fund to Rick Trudell in the amount of \$5,200 pursuant to the minutes and invoice attached hereto.

2. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that officials of the Dept. of Development & Housing are hereby authorized to accept transfer of real property identified by Parcel Index Number(s): 23-2-07-12-17-307-017, commonly known 811 Ridge St., subject to appropriate title search and review.

3. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the Mayor and appropriate officials are hereby authorized and directed to execute the

attached consultant agreement between the City and Lafser & Associates, Inc. for the Alton Middletown Historic District Remapping project.

4. WHEREAS, the City of Alton is pursuing a Grant through the State of Illinois Historic Preservation Agency to fund an update to the survey and inventory information on the Alton Middletown Historic District;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the Mayor and appropriate officials are hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached grant agreement between the City of Alton and the State of Illinois Historic Preservation Agency with the City's portion of funding for the grant coming from the FY2015-2016 budget of the Department of Development and Housing. Mr. Velloff made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that the above and foregoing four (4) resolutions be referred to the Committee of the Whole. The Chair so ordered.

Mrs. Martin presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the City of Alton is an Illinois Municipal Corporation and is the owner of certain real estate more particularly described herein; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Alton, Illinois has determined that it is necessary, appropriate, and convenient to dedicate certain city owned property to become public right-of-way for the purposes of the reconstruction of sidewalks on the north side of College Avenue west of its intersection with Rock Springs Drive;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the attached ordinance dedicating certain city owned property to become public right-of-way for the purposes of the reconstruction of sidewalks on the north side of College Avenue west of its intersection with Rock Springs Drive be considered. Mrs. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Brake, that said resolution be referred to the Committee of the Whole. The Chair so ordered.

Mr. Boulds presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Fire Chief of the City of Alton has requested authority to sell one 1996 Freightliner / E-One pumper VIN #1FV6JLCB6VH857023 to the Curry, AL Fire Department for \$22,500.

WHEREAS, the Fire Chief of the City of Alton has requested to use the proceeds of the sale to purchase one 2001 Spartan / Smeal pumper VIN #4S7HT23941C038720 from Brindlee Mountain Fire Apparatus, that is currently on loan to the fire department for \$36,000. The \$13,500 balance of the purchase price will be from Line 9534 of the fire department budget.

WHEREAS, the City Council being fully informed supports the efforts of the Fire Chief to sell and purchase the apparatuses and upon the terms and conditions and for the purposes hereinafter provided.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Alton, Illinois, as follows: that the Fire Chief of the City of Alton is hereby authorized to pursue with all appropriate documentation the sale of one 1996 pumper and purchase of one 2001 pumper. Mr. Boulds made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that the Rules of the Council be Suspended in order to act upon said resolution. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds,  
Mayor Walker – 8

NAYS: None – 0

Mr. Boulds made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

Mr. Boulds presented the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the attached ordinance, an ordinance transferring funds from certain line items within certain departments of the City of Alton, Illinois, be considered. Mr. Boulds made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that the Rules of the Council be Suspended in order to act upon said resolution and request first and second reading of Ordinance No. 7452. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds,  
Mayor Walker – 8

NAYS: None – 0

Mr. Boulds made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

Mr. Boulds presented the following ordinance for first reading.

Ordinance No. 7452. An Ordinance transferring funds from certain line items within certain departments of the City of Alton.

Mr. Boulds presented the following ordinance for second reading.

Ordinance No. 7452. An Ordinance transferring funds from certain line items within certain department of the City of Alton. Mr. Boulds made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that said ordinance be adopted. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, Mr. Boulds made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fleming, that the meeting adjourn. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

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Mary T. Boulds MMC  
City Clerk

(Seal of the City of Alton, Illinois)