

CITY OF ALTON
ALTON CITY COUNCIL

NOVEMBER 10, 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 City Clerk Boulds to lead the Pledge to the Flag.

At this time there was a presentation from Madison County Community Development Department – Title 2014 Draft Caper (Annual Report to HUD) Fiscal Year 2014: October 1, 2014 – September 30, 2015.

COUNCIL MINUTES, COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORT OF OFFICERS

The Clerk presented the following Council Meeting Minutes of October 28, 2015 and the Communications: Illinois Department of Transportation, re: Parade Permit for the purpose of holding a Halloween parade on October 31, 2015; State of Illinois Comptroller, Leslie Geissler Munger, re: FY 2015 Annual Financial Report; Madison County Community Development Department, Frank Miles, Administrator, re: Title: 2014 Draft Caper (Annual Report to HUD) Fiscal Year 2014: October 1, 2014 – September 30, 2015; Elijah P. Lovejoy Memorial, Newsletter for October, 2015 and the following Report of Officers: Animal Control Department, re: Monthly Report September, 2015; Comptroller, re: Overtime Analysis for October, 2015; Building and Zoning, re: Monthly Report for October, 2015; Alton Fire Department, re: Estimated Fire Loss for October, 2015; Alton Fire Department, re: Monthly Fire Damage report to Assessor's Office for October, 2015; Alton Fire Department, re: Largest Single Fire Loss for October, 2015. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said reports 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 Brake presented the following Committee of the Whole Meeting Report for November 9, 2015; Resolution, re: Discount and Special Bills paid; Bid Report and Resolution, re: Bid #2015 – 23, Demolition of 619 East Broadway for the Building and Zoning Department; Resolution, re: Ordinances be considered to abate the current tax levies with regard to the bond issue ordinances; Resolution, re: Engagement agreement with Bernardi Securities, Inc. to refinance the General Obligation Bonds, Series 2006A and Series 2006B; Resolution, re:

Repealing Ordinance No. 6753 which established a handicapped parking place at 701 Oakwood; Resolution, re: Officials and agents of the City of Alton are authorized to pursue appropriate legal action against such properties in the Circuit Court: 3 Signal Drive; Resolution, re: Americans with Disabilities Act Transition Plan. Mr. Brake made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said report be placed on file. The Chair so ordered.

Mr. Brake presented the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON IL, that the best bid of GLC, Inc. for Demolition of 619 East Broadway in the amount of \$47,800.00 be awarded for Bid #2015 – 23 for the Building & Zoning Department. Mr. Velloff made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that said resolution be Laid Over. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None – 0

Mr. Brake presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Director of the Department of Development and Housing has recommended that the City abate the tax levies for certain bond issues in the same manner as is customarily done each year.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that ordinances be considered to abate the current tax levies with regard to the following bond issue ordinances:

\$3,550,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2014 (Ordinance No. 7393, Adopted February 26, 2014);

\$2,750,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2010 (Ordinance No. 7202, Adopted May 26, 2010);

\$5,675,000 General Obligation Bonds, Series 2006B (Ordinance No. 6943, Adopted March 22, 2006). Mr. Brake 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. Brake presented the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the Mayor and appropriate officials are authorized and directed to sign on behalf of the City the attached engagement agreement with Bernardi Securities, Inc. to refinance the General Obligation Bonds, Series 2006A and Series 2006B. Mr. Brake 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. Brake presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, there is no longer a need for a handicapped parking place previously established at 701 Oakwood, Alton, Illinois.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that an Ordinance be considered repealing Ordinance No. 6753 which established a handicapped parking place at 701 Oakwood, Alton, Illinois. Mr. Brake made a motion, seconded by Mr. Velloff, 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. Brake presented the following resolution:

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:

3 Signal Drive

Mr. Brake 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. Brake presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the City of Alton is required by law to incorporate a American with Disabilities Act Transition Plan; and

WHEREAS, two open houses have been held regarding said plan; and

WHEREAS, a 30 day comment period was made available for suggestions to the plan; and

WHEREAS, City officials have drafted and recommended a Americans with Disabilities Act Transition Plan;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the Americans with Disabilities Act Transition Plan in the form attached hereto be approved. Mr. Brake 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. Brake presented the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Discount and Special Bills Paid; also all Expenditure Bills as listed in the Comptroller's report dated November 9, 2015 be allowed and payment be made for same. 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

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

Mayor Pro Tem Ryan presented the following two (2) ordinances for first reading.

Ordinance No. 7483. An Ordinance establishing no parking on the east side of Beall Avenue.

Ordinance No. 7484. An Ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance pertaining to Special Uses in R-2 Zoning.

Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said two (2) ordinances be LAID OVER. The Chair so ordered.

SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES

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

Ordinance No. 7482. An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 3378, being the Traffic Code of the City of Alton, by reducing the speed limit to 25 miles per hour on Glenn Drive and that appropriate signs be placed. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fleming, that said ordinance be adopted. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None – 0

REPORTS AND/OR RESOLUTIONS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

The Clerk presented the following Appearance Review Commission, re: Public Hearing Minutes of September 23, 2015; Climate Protection and Energy Efficiency Committee, re: Minutes of October 6, 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 appointments of Sgt. Jarrett Ford to the Deputy Freedom of Information Officer and Lt. Seth Stinnett to the Deputy Freedom of Information Officer. Mr. Boulds made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that said appointments be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None - 0

OTHER BUSINESS

The Clerk presented the following Laid Over Resolution:

WHEREAS, the State of Illinois has limited the abilities of municipalities to address chronic nuisance properties as have been previously defined by various city ordinances with the passage of Illinois P.A. 99-441; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the City Council of the City of Alton, Illinois to comply with the provision of P.A. 99-441.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the attached ordinance be considered. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said resolution be TABLED. 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 resolution:

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Alton has previously authorized the Public Works Director to get estimates and choose a vendor to remove sedimentation in approximately 1600 feet of sewer line in the downtown area of Piasa and Landmarks Boulevard; and

WHEREAS, after investigation and review, it appears that the cost for outside contractors to remove the sedimentation necessary to be removed will approach \$200,000, 00.

WHEREAS, Ace Pipe Cleaning, Inc. has been serving the City of Alton as a qualified contractor on similar projects and is familiar with the work to be performed on the sewer line in question; and

WHEREAS, there is an immediate need to perform the work on the sewer line in question and Ace Pipe Cleaning, Inc. is prepared to proceed immediately.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the Public Works Director is authorized to retain Ace Pipe Cleaning, Inc. to proceed with the necessary removal of sedimentation in the sewer line in the downtown area of Piasa and Landmarks Boulevard at a cost not to exceed \$200,000.00 to be paid from the Sanitary Sewer Fund and that formal bidding be waived due to the urgent nature of the work to be performed. Mr. Ryan 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

PUBLIC FORUM ADDRESSING CITY BUSINESS

Mayor Pro Tem Ryan presented the following request for the floor from Josh Young. He was not present to speak.

COMMENTS OR RESOLUTIONS FROM THE CITY COUNCIL

Mr. Ryan presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Alton, a member in the good standing of the Illinois Municipal League Risk Management Association and party to the IMLRMA Intergovernmental Cooperation Contract, has been fully apprised of the IMLRMA Minimum/Maximum Contribution Agreement which amends and supplements the IMLRMA Declaration pages dated 1/1/2016 to 12/31/2016 and all endorsements thereto; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Alton finds it in the best interest of the municipality to make its IMLRMA contribution in accordance with the IMLRMA Minimum/Maximum Contribution Agreement.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the execution of the IMLRMA Minimum/Maximum Contribution Agreement for a one (1) year period beginning 1/1/2016 and ending 12/31/2016 is hereby authorized.
2. That the Mayor and Treasurer/Comptroller are hereby granted authority to execute the IMLRMA Minimum/Maximum Agreement which amends and supplements the IMLRMA Declarations pages dated 1/1/2016 to 12/31/2016 and all endorsements thereto.

Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Velloff, that said resolution be referred to the Committee of the Whole. The Chair so ordered.

Mr. Brake presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, representatives of Interstate Petroleum, Inc. have requested to activate the second year of their existing contract with the City of Alton; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Alton, Illinois finds that it is in the best interest of the City of Alton to agree to activate the second year of their existing contract between the City of Alton and Interstate Petroleum, Inc.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the existing contract between Interstate Petroleum, Inc. and the City of Alton, pursuant to Bid No. 2014-18 is hereby extended until October 31, 2016 all prices and conditions will remain the same, per the bid specification. Mr. Brake made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fleming, that said resolution be referred to the Committee of the Whole. The Chair so ordered.

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

1. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the bid from M. L. Vasquez, Inc. in the amount of \$10,250.00 be accepted for Pilaster Repair at the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IS RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON ILLINOIS, that funding will come from the Sewer Fund (2908/9310).

2. WHEREAS, bids were received by the Illinois Department of Transportation on November 6, 2015 for the North Rodgers Avenue bridge replacement project known as Section 13-00236-00-BR located on North Rodgers Avenue between Myrle Street and Bloomer Drive; and,

WHEREAS, nine (9) bids were received by IDOT for this project ranging from \$366,114.01 to \$569,191.73, and the low bid submitted by the Stutz Excavating, Inc. from Alton, Illinois in the amount of \$366,114.01 was 26.5% below the engineer's estimate of \$498,393.50;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the City of Alton concurs with the Illinois Department of Transportation's award of the construction contract for the project to the low bidder. Mr. Fleming made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said two (2) resolutions be referred to the Committee of the Whole. The Chair so ordered.

Mr. Boulds presented the following three (3) resolutions:

1. BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Alton, Illinois, that there is hereby appropriated the sum of \$950,000.00 of Motor Fuel Tax funds for the purpose of maintaining

streets and highways under the applicable provisions of the Illinois Highway Code from January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that only those streets, highways, and operations as listed and described on the approved Municipal Estimate of Maintenance Costs, including supplemental or revised estimates approved in connection with this resolution, are eligible for maintenance with Motor Fuel Tax funds during the period as specified above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk shall, as soon as practicable after the close of the period as given above, submit to the Department of Transportation, on forms furnished by said Department, a certified statement showing expenditures from and balances remaining in the account(s) for this period; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk shall immediately transmit two certified copies of this resolution to the district office of the Department of Transportation, at Collinsville, Illinois.

2. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the Comptroller's Office be authorized to advertise for bids pertaining to the City of Alton's 2016 MFT Maintenance Program.

3. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the Maintenance Engineering Agreement between JMH Consulting Services, LLC and the City of Alton for engineering services pertaining to the City of Alton's 2016 MFT Maintenance Program, a copy of which is attached hereto, be and is hereby approved and that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute said agreement.

Mr. Boulds made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fleming, that the above and foregoing three (3) resolutions be referred to the Committee of the Whole. The Chair so ordered.

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

Mary T. Boulds MMC
City Clerk

(Seal of the City of Alton, Illinois)

