

CITY OF ALTON  
ALTON CITY COUNCIL

FEBRUARY 24, 2016

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 Alderman Ryan to lead the Pledge to the Flag.

COUNCIL MINUTES, COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORT OF OFFICERS

The Clerk presented the following Council Meeting Minutes of February 10, 2016 and the following Communications: Republic Services, re: Solid Waste and Recycle Volumes for the month of January, 2016; Alton Historical Commission Chairman Douglas R. Bader, re: Public Hearing March 8, 2016 on The Middletown Historic District and the following Report of Officers: City Treasurer, re: Monthly Report for January, 2016; Alton Fire Department, re: Monthly Fire Damage Report to Assessor's Office for January, 2016; Alton Fire Department, re: Estimated Fire Loss for January, 2016; Alton Fire Department, re: Largest Single Fire Loss for January, 2016. 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 Brake presented the following Committee of the Whole Meeting Report for February 22, 2016; Resolution, re: Discount and Special Bills paid; Laid Over Resolution, re: City of Alton should amend its animal control ordinance to provide for community cats to be sterilized, vaccinated and returned; Resolution, re: City of Alton accepts the terms of the foregoing offer from Pride, Inc. to install new landscaping at State House Square; Resolution, re: Mayor and appropriate City officials are hereby authorized and directed to transfer and convey the routers to Lewis and Clark Community College, Godfrey, Illinois; Resolution, re: Bid #2016 – 04, Mowing and Trimming Services for the Building & Zoning Department; Resolution, re: Bid #2016 – 05, Contract for New Tires for Various Departments; Resolution, re: Bid #2016 – 07, Asbestos Abatement at 1310 Washington Avenue for the Building and Zoning Department. Mr. Brake made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that said report be placed on file. 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 Detail Bills as listed in the Comptroller's report dated February 22, 2016 be allowed and payment be made for same. 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, Pride, Inc. is a not-for-profit organization focused on the greater Alton area with the purpose of the enhancement of the appearance of our community; and

WHEREAS, Pride, Inc., has a long history of pursuing that purpose to the betterment of the community; and

WHEREAS, Pride, Inc. has contacted the appropriate officials of the City of Alton requesting cooperation in a landscaping project Pride, Inc. would like to undertake at State House Square in Alton; and

WHEREAS, the plan Pride, Inc. has presented includes the follows:

- A. Pride, Inc will build flower beds with shallow retaining walls both around the fountain and away from the fountain;
- B. Pride, Inc. will plant flowers, trees and ground cover;
- C. Pride, Inc. will select trees to be planted which will be located inside the existing power lines and will have a maximum heights not greater than 20 feet so as to not interfere with the power lines;
- D. Pride, Inc. agrees to maintain the landscaping installed by Pride, Inc. so as to not create an additional burden on the City resources; and

WHEREAS, Pride, Inc. requests that the City cut and remove the existing trees and stumps so as to permit Pride, Inc. to begin their landscaping project; and

WHEREAS, the Park Department of the City of Alton has advised that they are ready, willing and able to cooperate with the request from Pride, Inc. and has recommended approval of the proposal received from Pride, Inc.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the City of Alton accepts the terms of the foregoing offer from Pride, Inc. to install new landscaping at State House Square and to be responsible for the future maintenance of that landscaping on the conditions as outlined above. 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, the City Council of the City of Alton, Illinois, finds and determines that the below listed routers are no longer necessary or appropriate for the use of the City of Alton and it is declared to be surplus property; and

WHEREAS, Lewis and Clark Community College, CNET Program, Godfrey, Illinois, has a suitable use for said below listed routers and has requested to purchase same; and

WHEREAS, upon recommendation of the Jarvis Swope of the City of Alton, the City Council does hereby determine a fair compensation to be charged to Lewis and Clark Community College, Godfrey, Illinois, for the below listed routers is One Dollar (\$1.00).

NOW, THEREFORE, 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 transfer and convey the routers listed below to Lewis and Clark Community College, Godfrey, Illinois, for One Dollar (\$1.00) and upon the condition and understanding that said routers are transferred “as is” without any warranties of any nature, including any warranty of fitness for any particular purpose:

Cisco 3825 256mb flash Serial Number FTX1032A05L  
Cisco 3825 2GB flash Serial Number FTX125A3YX  
Cisco 3825 256MB flash Serial Number FTX1007COP5  
Cisco 3825 2GB flash Serial Number FTX1334AJ68  
Cisco 1841 256mb flash Serial Number FTX1634819A  
Cisco 1841 64mb flash Serial Number FTX21520RW  
Cisco 1841 32mb flash Serial Number FTX1036W2N5

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 best bid of Cutting Edge Lawn Service of Alton, for Mowing & Trimming Services in the amount of \$.0089 per square foot for mowing and \$20.00 per man, per hour for brush and waste removal is hereby awarded for Bid #2016 – 04, Mowing & Trimming Services for the Building & Zoning Department. Mr. Brake made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fleming, 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 best bid of D&D Tire Service LLC, per the tabulation sheet, is hereby awarded for Bid #2016 – 05, Contract for New Tires for Various Departments of the City. 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 IL, that the best bid of Universal Abatement, Inc. for Asbestos Abatement at 1310 Washington Avenue in the amount of \$11,134.00 be awarded for Bid #2016 – 07 for the Building & Zoning Department. Mr. Brake made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fleming, 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. 7508. An Ordinance approving the transfer of volume cap in connection with Private Activity Bond Issues, and related matters. 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 Park and Recreation Commissions, re: Minutes of January 19, 2016; Simpson Memorial Tennis Fund Committee, re: Minutes of February 10, 2016. 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 reappointment of Gary Doerr to the Plan Commission. Mr. Brake made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said reappointment be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Mayor Walker presented the following reappointment of Mark Wuellner to the Appearance Review Commission. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said reappointment be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Mayor Walker withdrew the appointment of Wade Gibson to the Plan Commission and presented the following reappointment of John Rain, Jr. to the Plan Commission. Mr. Boulds made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that reappointment be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Mayor Walker presented the following appointment of Eva Perkins to the Plan Commission. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said appointment be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Mayor Walker presented the following appointment of James Rogalsky to the Plan Commission. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said appointment 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 resolution:

WHEREAS, the City of Alton has an agreement with Illinois American Water Company to install fire hydrants within the City of Alton; and

WHEREAS, Illinois American Water Company has installed 7 fire hydrants on Belle Street, 1 fire hydrant on Hodge Court and 2 fire hydrants on Hazel Drive pursuant to the Franchise Hydrant Agreement between the City of Alton and Illinois American Water Company for the 2015 allotment; and

WHEREAS, Illinois American Water Company has installed 1 fire hydrant on Maupin Street, 2 fire hydrants on Vernie Avenue and 1 fire hydrant on Charlene Court pursuant to the Franchise Hydrant Agreement between the City of Alton and Illinois American Water Company for the 2016 allotment; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Chief of the City of Alton confirms that said fire hydrants have been installed by Illinois American Water Company at the locations indicated above.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the Fire Chief notify that the City of Alton is in agreement that Illinois American Water Company installed 7 fire hydrants on Belle Street, 1 fire hydrant on Hodge Court and 2 fire hydrants on Hazel Drive were installed from the 2015 allotment pursuant to the Franchise Hydrant Agreement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the Fire Chief notify Illinois American Water that the City of Alton is in agreement that Illinois American Water Company installed 1 fire hydrant on Maupin Street, 2 fire hydrants on Vernie Avenue and 1 fire hydrant on Charlene Court from the 2016 allotment pursuant to the Franchise Hydrant Agreement between the City of Alton and Illinois American Water Company. 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

#### COMMENTS OR RESOLUTIONS FROM THE COUNCIL

Mr. Ryan presented the following (7) resolutions and one petition.

1. WHEREAS, the City Council is aware that in drafting the budget for our next fiscal year commencing April 1, 2016 the City faces significant financial challenges, including potentially devastating cuts in revenue collected and disbursed to the City by the State of Illinois.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON ILLINOIS, that no new persons shall be added as employees of the City of Alton to fill any new positions or to replace any vacancies which may arise in such positions without a vote of approval by the City Council with regard to each such position until the fiscal 2016-2017 budget is approved by the City Council.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution is not applicable to the employment of a firefighter currently scheduled to begin employment in March, 2016 and to temporary seasonal workers or part-time workers hired in the normal and traditional course of performing City business.

Not included 1 position Street Maintenance Grade 5 for the Public Works Dept.

2. BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Alton, Illinois, that it be a matter of public record that the City of Alton supports and endorses the Alton Regional Convention and Visitor Bureau as the State Certified Bureau for the Alton Metroplex.
3. I move that the attached petition by Thomas G. Blake and T. Gaynor Blake GST Trust to amend Section 13 D of Chapter 5 of Title 11 by adding Motion Picture and Sound Recording Industries (uses within NAICS Code 512) to the list of special uses within the MR Marina Recreation Zoning District and for a special use permit to operate a motion picture and sound

recording business at the property identified by Parcel ID Number 23-2-07-14-07-203-025 more commonly known as 115 Market Street, Alton IL, be referred to the Plan Commission.

4. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the attached Lease Agreement between the City of Alton and Tony's Lounge, Inc., be and hereby is approved and the Mayor is authorized to execute the agreement.

5. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the attached Lease Agreement between the City of Alton and Ragin Cajun, be and hereby is approved and the Mayor is authorized to execute the agreement.

6. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the attached Lease Agreement between the City of Alton and Chez Marilyn, Inc, be and hereby is approved and the Mayor is authorized to execute the agreement.

7. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the attached Lease Agreement between the City of Alton and Catdaddy's Tavern, be and hereby is approved and the Mayor is authorized to execute the agreement.

8. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the attached Lease Agreement between the City of Alton and Bossanova of Alton, Inc. d/b/a Bossanova be and is hereby is approved and the Mayor is authorized to execute the agreement.

Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Velloff, that said resolutions be referred to the Committee of the Whole and said petition be referred to the Plan Commission. The Chair so ordered.

Mrs. MacAfee presented the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Alton Illinois that the following described street(s) be improved under the Illinois Highway Code:

| Name of Thoroughfare | Route    | From                       | To                           |
|----------------------|----------|----------------------------|------------------------------|
| State Street         | FAU 8994 | 200 ft. south of Rozier St | 300 ft. north of Delmar Ave. |

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,

1. That the proposed improvement shall consist of application fee for federal funding of proposed project as part of federal Surface Transportation Program and shall be constructed \_\_\_\_\_ wide and be designated as Section 16-00900-00-MS.

2. That there is hereby appropriated the (additional \_\_\_yes \_\_\_x\_no) sum of Two Thousand Six Hundred Forty Four and 00/100 Dollars (\$2,644.00) for the improvement of said section from the municipality's allotment of Motor Fuel Tax funds.

3. That work shall be done by Contract; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk is hereby directed to transmit two certified copies of this resolution to the district office of the Department of Transportation. 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. Brake 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:

2704 Claire Ave.

2. WHEREAS, there is currently two (2) Class C-2 liquor license authorized by the City Code and there is two (2) Class C-2 liquor license issued by the Liquor Commissioner of the City of Alton; and

WHEREAS, there exists a greater demand for Class C-2 liquor license than the number authorized by the City Code; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Alton finds and determines that it is in the best interest of the City to increase the number of authorized Class C-2 liquor licenses by one (1); and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Alton does specifically find that the increase of the available C-2 liquor licenses as described above will not be detrimental to the health, welfare or public safety of the City of Alton at this time; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the attached Ordinance increasing the number of Class C-2 liquor licenses authorized by the City Code from two (2) to three (3) be considered.

Mr. Brake made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fleming, that said resolutions be referred to the Committee of the Whole. The Chair so ordered.

Mr. Boulds presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the City of Alton holds the Simpson Memorial Tennis Fund; and

WHEREAS, the Simpson Memorial Tennis Committee at its February 10, 2016, meeting recommended approval of a payment to the City of Alton in the amount of \$700.00 for reimbursement to the City of Alton for a court core analysis.

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 Simpson Memorial Tennis Fund to: The City of Alton in the amount of \$700.00 pursuant to the minutes attached hereto. Mr. Boulds made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fleming, that said resolution be referred to the Committee of the Whole. The Chair so ordered.

Mr. Boulds presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the City of Alton Information Technology Director has recommended that the City enter into an agreement with Charter Communications for PRI services, site to site fiber links and internet services for the Alton Police Department for a term of 5 years; and

WHEREAS, these services were previously performed by a different provider, and Charter Communications has agreed to provide the services at a reduced yearly rate.

NOW THEREFORE, 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 on behalf of the City of Alton the attached BUSINESS INTERNET ACCESS VIDEO AND MUSIC SERVICE AGREEMENT, SPECTRUM BUSINESS VOICE TRUNK SERVICE AGREEMENT, and DATA NETWORKING SERVICE AGREEMENT. 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 the above and foregoing resolution be approved. 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)

