

CITY OF ALTON
ALTON CITY COUNCIL

JUNE 22, 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 Boulds to lead the Pledge to the Flag.

COUNCIL MINUTES, COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORT OF OFFICERS

The Clerk presented the following Council Meeting Minutes of June 8, 2016 and the Communications: Republic Services, re: Solid Waste and Recycle Volumes for the month of May, 2016; Rick Faccin, County Auditor, re: Comprehensive Annual Financial Report Fiscal Year Ended November 30, 2015 and the following Report of Officers: Alton Fire Department, re: Estimated Fire Loss for May, 2016; Alton Fire Department, re: Monthly Fire Damage Report to Assessor's Office for May, 2016; Alton Fire Department, re: Largest Single Fire Loss for May, 2016; Department of Building & Zoning, Douglas Bader, Chairman Alton Historical Commission, re: Letter to Joshua Young to notify him that the Historical Commission voted to deny your application; City Treasurer, re: Monthly Report for May, 2016; Comptroller, re: Overtime Analysis for May, 2016; Animal Control Department, re: Monthly Report for May, 2016. 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 Fleming presented the following Committee of the Whole Report for June 20, 2016; Resolution, re: Discount and Special Bills paid; Resolution, re: 6th Street between Ridge Street and Spring Street be closed on July 4, 2016 for a church outreach; Resolution, re: That Section 2 of Chapter 5 of Title 1 of the City Code of the City of Alton shall be amended by changing the start time of the regular meeting of the City Council and changing the start time of the standing committee; Resolution, re: State Statues have recently been amended concerning the mandatory training for alcohol servers in Illinois bars and restaurants; Resolution, re: That a portion of certain streets be closed on September 24, 2016, to facilitate the Miles for Meso walk; Amended Resolution, re: Paul Lott renew said Agreement; Resolution, re: That its officials and agents pursue appropriate legal action against such properties in the Circuit Court 2226 Brown; Resolution, re: That a portion of certain streets be closed to facilitate the Main Street UMC

event. Mr. Fleming made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, 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. Fleming 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 June 20, 2016 be allowed and payment be made for same. Mr. Fleming 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. Fleming presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Alderman Ryan has requested, 6th Street between Ridge Street and Spring Street be closed on July 4, 2016 from 3:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. for a church outreach.

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 6th Street between Ridge Street and Spring Street on July 4, 2016 from 3:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. for a church outreach. Mr. Fleming 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

Chairman Fleming presented the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that Section 2 of Chapter 5 of Title 1 of the City Code of the City of Alton shall be amended by changing the start time of the regular meeting of the City Council from 7:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said Section 2 of Chapter 5 of Title 1 of the City Code shall be amended by changing the start time of the standing committee to 6:00 p.m. on the Monday immediately proceeding any regular City Council meeting. Mr. Fleming made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, MacAfee, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 6

NAYS: Velloff – 1

Mr. Fleming presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, State Statues have recently been amended concerning the mandatory training for alcohol servers in Illinois bars and restaurants.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the attached ordinance be considered. Mr. Fleming 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. Fleming presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Alderman James Ryan has requested, that a portion of certain streets be closed on September 24, 2016, to facilitate the Miles for Meso walk sponsored by Simmons, Hanley, Conroy; 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 September 24, 2016, of the portions of the following streets as specified below:

Fourth Street between Easton Street and George Street from 7:00 A.M. until Noon

Court Street from Fourth Street to Fifth Street from 7:00 A.M. until Noon

No parking on the north side of Fourth Street from George Street to Henry Street from 8:30 A.M. until 10:30 A.M.

No parking on the west side of Henry Street between Fourth and Fifteenth Streets from 8:30 A.M. until 10:30 A.M.

Barricades (type 3) will block traffic at Eleventh and Twelfth Streets at Alby.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS that Simmons, Hanley, Conroy is the sponsor of this event and will be responsible for any labor costs incurred by the City as it relates to this event. Mr. Fleming 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. Fleming presented the following amended resolution:

WHEREAS, the City of Alton entered into an Agreement with Paul Lott and Ray Sinclair d/b/a/ Sinclair Cedar Ridge Farms, jointly and severally, referred to as FARMERS; and

WHEREAS, said FARMERS agreed to cut, bail and remove grass growing at the old Alton landfill on Alby Street on a regular basis so as to eliminate the burden upon the City to maintain regular mowing at the old Alton landfill property; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works Director of the City of Alton has recommended that said Agreement be extended with Paul Lott for calendar year 2016 so long as Paul Lott continues to satisfactorily perform the obligations under said Agreement.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the Public Works Director is hereby authorized and directed to execute any and all documents as may be necessary for a new Agreement upon the same terms and conditions as originally stated in the prior Agreement so long as the FARMER continues to provide proof of insurance as required in said Agreement and satisfactorily maintain the property of the old Alton landfill. Mr. Fleming made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said amended resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None – 0

Mr. Fleming 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:

2226 Brown

Mr. Fleming made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Martin, 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. Fleming presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Alderman Brake has requested, that a portion of certain streets be closed on Friday, July 29, 2016 from 5:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. and Saturday, July 30, 2016 from 9:00 a.m. until 10:00 p.m. to facilitate the Main Street UMC event; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has considered the requests and does hereby approve said requests.

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 Benbow Avenue between Main and Washington Avenue and Alley (north) behind 1318 Main Street on Friday, July 29, 2016 from 5:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. and Saturday, July 30, 2016 from 9:00 a.m. until 10:00 p.m. Mr. Fleming made a motion, seconded by Mr. Brake, 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. 7524. An Ordinance amending Chapter 11 of Title 1 of the City Code pertaining to sick leave and matrimonial domicile. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said ordinance be LAID OVER. The Chair so ordered.

Mayor Pro Tem Ryan requested first and second reading of Ordinance No. 7525. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that the Rules of the Council be Suspended in order to act upon said ordinance. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds, Mayor Walker – 8
NAYS: None – 0

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

Ordinance No. 7525. An Ordinance vacating a portion of an unnamed alley between Joesting Avenue and Washington Avenue.

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

Ordinance No. 7525. An Ordinance vacating a portion of an unnamed alley between Joesting Avenue and Washington Avenue. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Martin, that said ordinance be adopted. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES

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

Ordinance No. 7520. An Ordinance making an Annual Appropriation for the City of Alton, in the County of Madison, State of Illinois, for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2016, and ending March 31, 2017. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said ordinance be adopted.

Mr. Ryan presented the following amendment:

Second Amendment to the annual budget and appropriation ordinance in the form as prepared by the Comptroller and attached hereto. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said amendment be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Boulds – 6

NAYS: Fleming – 1

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

AYES: Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Boulds – 6

NAYS: Fleming – 1

REPORTS AND/OR RESOLUTIONS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

The Clerk presented the following Appearance Review Commission, re: Minutes of May 25, 2016; Alton Historic Commission, re: Minutes of May 17, 2016; Oriental Garden Committee Meeting, re: Minutes of April 28, 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

APPROVAL OF ACTIONS TAKEN UNDER SUSPENSION OF RULES AT PRIOR MEETING

The Clerk presented the following three (3) resolutions:

1. WHEREAS, the American Queen Steam Boat Company has requested permission to embark and disembark passengers from its cruise line in the City of Alton; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Alton, Illinois recognizes that agreeing to a docking agreement with the American Queen Steam Boat Company will be beneficial to the City of Alton in the promotion of tourism with tourist enjoying the opportunity to visit the City of Alton potentially increasing economic activity within the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the attached docking agreement between the City of Alton and American Queen Steam Boat Company is hereby approved and any prior execution of same by the Mayor or other appropriate city officials is hereby ratified and confirmed.

2. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that a public hearing be held before the City Council at its regular meeting of July 13, 2016, pursuant to 65 ILCS 5/11-91-1 and Alton City Code 6-1-8, to consider the vacation of a portion of Front Street as legally described on the attached legal description and map, with the real estate to accrue to the adjacent parcel owned by Ted Prehn; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk shall publish notice of the public hearing with regard to this matter at the earliest possible date.

3. BE IT RESOLVED that the alley between Joesting Avenue and Washington Avenue which was the subject of a public hearing before the City Council at its regular meeting of June 8, 2016 be vacated and that an ordinance to that effect be drafted and placed on the agenda of the City Council meeting of June 22, 2016.

Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said resolutions 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 Pastor Danny Holliday. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Martin, that said request be approved.

Pastor Holliday took the floor and spoke, re: Proposed school bath room and locker room issues!

COMMENTS OR RESOLUTIONS FROM THE CITY COUNCIL

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

1. WHEREAS, Alderman Ryan has requested, that East 4th Street between Langdon and George Streets be closed on August 19, 2016, from 4:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. to facilitate a Knights of Columbus Family Night.

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 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 East 4th Street between Langdon and George Streets on August 19, 2016 from 4:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. on the condition that Knights of Columbus be responsible for any extra labor costs incurred by the City as it relates to this event.

2. WHEREAS, the City Clerk was authorized and directed to advertise for sale surplus real property identified as: 3100 Trumbell Ave., 600 Atwood St., 620 Atwood St., Gesche St., and 1 Linnet Ln.; and

WHEREAS, proposals were received and publicly opened at the regular meeting of the Alton City Council on June 8, 2016;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that officials of the Dept. of Development & Housing are hereby authorized and directed to convey title to the aforementioned surplus property for the expressed consideration of \$5,100.00.

3. WHEREAS, the Alton City Hall building located at 101 E. Third Street, Alton, Illinois, will not have access to the computer systems due to the installation of the new BS&A computer software beginning on Friday, July 22, 2016 from 12:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. and on Monday, July 25, 2016 from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, during the time the computer system is being upgraded, no users will be allowed on the computers therefore it will be impossible to conduct public business during this time in the City Hall building at 101 E. Third Street, Alton, Illinois; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that beginning Friday, July 22, 2016 from 12:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. and on Monday, July 25, 2016 from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. the Alton City Hall located at 101 E. Third Street, Alton, Illinois will be closed to the public to allow for the installation of the new computer software;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk of the City of Alton shall post and publish the attached NOTICE in the Telegraph and The Advantage and give notice of same to all persons who have registered to receive notice of meetings with the City Clerk's Office of the City of Alton, Illinois.

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

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

1. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the Mayor be and is hereby authorized to execute the attached Temporary Construction Easement between the City of Alton (Grantor) and Union Pacific Railroad Company (Grantee) for the purpose of construction related to the high speed rail project.

2. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the Redevelopment Agreement between the City of Alton, Illinois and Alton Winnelson Co. be amended in Section II A so as to change the potential funds provided to the developer in "Redevelopment Assistance" from \$3,300.00 or 25% of the total eligible project costs for the redevelopment project, whichever is the lesser amount, to \$25,000.00 or 25% of the total eligible

project costs for the redevelopment project, whichever is the lesser amount as shown on the attached Redevelopment Agreement due to the expanded scope of the project and the developers costs related thereto.

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

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

1. WHEREAS, the City of Alton has hosted a fireworks display for many years on or about the 4th of July; and

WHEREAS, for the past several years the fireworks display has been put on by Central States Fireworks Inc. from Athens, Illinois; and

WHEREAS, the City of Alton has been satisfied with the fireworks display put on by Central States Fireworks Inc.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the signature of the Mayor and other appropriate persons to the attached agreement proposed from Central States Fireworks Inc for a fireworks display to occur on July 3, 2016 is hereby ratified and confirmed.

2. WHEREAS, the City of Alton holds the Oriental Garden Fund; and

WHEREAS, the Oriental Garden Committee at its June 9, 2016, meeting recommended approval of a payment to the Amish Country Gazebos in the amount of \$7,717.00 for a 12' octagon white vinyl gazebo at the Oriental Garden.

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 Oriental Garden Fund to: Amish Country Gazebos in the amount of \$7,717.00 pursuant to the minutes attached hereto.

Mr. Boulds made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that the Rules of the Council be Suspended in order to act upon said resolutions. 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 resolutions 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:

WHEREAS, the City Council deems it advisable to establish four-handicap parking space in the old City ball diamond parking lot located at the southwest corner of the intersection of Henry and Landmarks Boulevard in the City of Alton, Illinois.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the attached ordinance be considered. Mr. Boulds made a motion, seconded by Mr. Velloff, that the Rules of the Council be Suspended in order to act upon said resolutions and first and seconded reading of said ordinance. 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. 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. Boulds presented the following Ordinance for first reading:

Ordinance No. 7526. An Ordinance establishing four handicap parking spaces in the old ball diamond parking lot located at the southwest corner of the intersection of Henry and Landmarks Boulevard in the City of Alton.

Mr. Boulds presented the following Ordinance for second reading:

Ordinance No. 7526. An Ordinance establishing four handicap parking spaces in the old ball diamond parking lot located at the southwest corner of the intersection of Henry and Landmarks Boulevard in the City of Alton.

Mr. Boulds made a motion, seconded by Mr. Velloff, that said ordinance be adopted. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Mr. Boulds requested the seconded reading of Ordinance No. 7524. Mr. Boulds made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that said Rules of the Council be Suspended in order to act on said ordinance. 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 requesting the seconded reading of Ordinance No. 7524 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 second reading.

Ordinance No. 7524. An Ordinance amending Chapter 11 of Title 1 of the City Code pertaining to sick leave and matrimonial domicile. 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

Mary T. Boulds MMC
City Clerk

(Seal of the City of Alton)

