

CITY OF ALTON
ALTON, ILLINOIS

DECEMBER 7, 2015

A Regular Meeting of the Committee of the Whole was held in the City Council Chambers, City Hall Building, Alton, Illinois at approximately 7:00 p.m. on the above date.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Brake.

Roll Call of members present or absent was as follows:

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

ABSENT: Fleming – 1

Also in attendance were Mayor Walker; Comptroller Cowan; City Treasurer Roth; City Council Coordinator Clark; Wasterwater Treatment Operations Supervisor Gibson; Director of Development and Housing Caffey; Director of Public Work Barnhart; Police Chief Simmons; Fire Chief Sebold; Personnel Director Scoggins; Director of Park & Recreation Haynes; Deputy Director of Development and Housing Asselmeier; Asst. Corporation Counselor Williams; Corporation Counselor Schrempf.

Chairman Brake presented the Discount and Special Bills paid as listed in the Comptroller's Report dated December 7, 2015 be approved and a Resolution authorizing same be presented at Wednesday's Council Meeting. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said Bills be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None – 0

ABSENT: Fleming – 1

Mayor Pro Tem Ryan presented the following request for the floor from Sheila Curry. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Martin, that said request be approved. The Chair so ordered.

Ms. Curry took the floor and spoke, re: Sewer and Trash.

Chairman Brake presented the following resolution, re: The City Council agrees with the recommendation of the Comptroller and Treasurer of the City of Alton that billings be directed to the owners of the real estate that is provided the refuse services of the City of Alton in an effort to produce a system more likely to be properly paid and collected by the City of Alton and that the attached ordinance be considered. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said resolution be approved.

Mr. Ryan presented the following amendment:

WHEREAS, the City of Alton has had a history of difficulty in collecting from occupants and users of the trash or refuse services provided by the City of Alton; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Alton agrees with the recommendation of the Comptroller and Treasurer of the City of Alton that billings be directed to the owners of the real estate that is provided the trash or refuse services of the City of Alton in an effort to produce a system more likely to be properly paid and collected by the City of Alton.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS that the attached ordinance be considered. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said amendment be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None – 0

ABSENT: Fleming – 1

Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that the above and foregoing resolution as amended be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None – 0

ABSENT: Fleming – 1

Chairman Brake presented the following resolution, re: The City Council agrees with the recommendation of the Comptroller and Treasurer of the City of Alton that billings be directed to the owners of the real estate that is provided the sewage services of the City of Alton in an effort to produce a system more likely to be properly paid and collected by the City of Alton and that the attached ordinance be considered. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said resolution be approved.

Mr. Ryan presented the following amendment:

WHEREAS, the City of Alton has had a history of difficulty in collecting from occupants and users of the sewage services provided by the City of Alton; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Alton agrees with the recommendation of the Comptroller and Treasurer of the City of Alton that billings be directed to the owners of the real estate that is provided the sewage services of the City of Alton in an effort to produce a system more likely to be properly paid and collected by the City of Alton.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS that the attached ordinance be considered. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said amendment be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None – 0

ABSENT: Fleming – 1

Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that the above and foregoing resolution as amended be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Brake, Boulds, Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin – 6
NAYS: None – 0
ABSENT: Fleming – 1

Chairman Brake presented the following resolution, re: The City Council deems it appropriate to remove the Chronic Nuisance Properties section from the City Code and that the attached ordinance be considered. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mrs. MacAfee, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Brake, Boulds, Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin – 6
NAYS: None – 0
ABSENT: Fleming – 1

Chairman Brake presented the following two (2) resolutions:

1. Resolution, re: It is the intent of the City of Alton that the tax imposed by the City of Alton with regard to the privilege of using or consuming electricity shall not be imposed upon electricity furnished to accounts held in the name of the City of Alton and that the attached Ordinance be considered.
2. Resolution, re: It is the intent of the City of Alton that the tax imposed on the business of distributing, supplying, or furnishing or selling gas for use or consumption in the corporate limits of the City, and not for resale, shall not be applied or charges to any account(s) of the City of Alton and that the attached Ordinance be considered. Mr. Boulds made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that said resolutions be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:
AYES: Brake, Boulds, Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin – 6
NAYS: None – 0
ABSENT: Fleming – 1

Chairman Brake presented the following resolution, re: That its officials and agents are hereby authorized to pursue appropriate legal action against such properties in the Circuit Court as listed below:

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

AYES: Brake, Boulds, Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin – 6
NAYS: None – 0
ABSENT: Fleming – 1

Chairman Brake presented the following resolution, re: That the attached Ordinance pertaining to establishing a handicapped parking space in front of 1203 Diamond be considered. Mr. Velloff made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Martin, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Brake, Boulds, Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin – 6
NAYS: None – 0
ABSENT: Fleming – 1

Chairman Brake presented the following resolution, re: That the attached Ordinance amending the City Code of the City of Alton pertaining to property maintenance codes be considered. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Martin, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None – 0

ABSENT: Fleming – 1

Chairman Brake presented the following resolution, re: Bid were received by the Illinois Department of Transportation on November 6, 2015 for the improvement of College Avenue known as Section 11-00231-00-RS located from Central Avenue to Washington Avenue and 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. Boulds made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Martin, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None – 0

ABSENT: Fleming – 1

Chairman Brake presented the following resolution, re: Authorizing the execution of a service agreement for the supply of electricity for residential and small commercial retail customers who do not opt out of such a program (Electric Aggregation). Mr. Boulds made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None – 0

ABSENT: Fleming – 1

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

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

NAYS: None – 0

ABSENT: Fleming – 1

CHARLES BRAKE
CHAIRMAN

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