

CITY OF TROY
Regular City Council Meeting
March 17, 2008

The meeting was held in the Council Chambers at 116 E. Market Street, Troy, Illinois. Mayor Tom Caraker, Sr. called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. immediately following the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Present; Mayor Tom Caraker, Sr.; Aldermen Adomite, Brannon, Davis, Evans, Italiano, Lanahan, Metcalf, McTaggart; Clerk Mitchell; Treasurer Roady

OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT: Administrator Soland, Attorney Wigginton, Chief Rizzi, Director of Public Works Secrest, Code Administrator Frey

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes from the March 3, 2008 regular City Council Meeting: Alderman Adomite had a correction on page 3, that Alan Dunstan's name is spelled Alan not Allen. Alderman Adomite moved, seconded by Alderman Italiano to approve the regular City Council Meeting Minutes as written and corrected. Roll call vote was taken: Aldermen Adomite yea, Brannon yea, Davis yea, Evans abstained, Italiano yea, Lanahan yea, McTaggart yea, Metcalf yea, 7 yeas, 1 abstention, 0 nays, motion carries.

COMMUNICATIONS: Clerk Mitchell has nothing at this time.

MAYOR'S/ADMINISTRATOR'S COMMENTS/CITY ATTORNEY'S COMMENTS:

Mayor Caraker commented we need to amend the Agenda under Legislative line item N-4 and add Resolution FAP Route 162 Easement for IDOT. Alderman Italiano moved, seconded by Alderman Brannon to amend the Agenda and add under Legislative line N-4 an IDOT Resolution for Route 162 Temporary Easement. Roll call vote was taken: Aldermen Adomite, Brannon, Davis, Evans, Italiano, Lanahan, McTaggart, Metcalf yeas, 8 yeas, 0 nays, motion carries.

Mayor Caraker commented under line item E-1 the Presentation of propose Sales Tax for Levee Repairs, we are going to pull that from the Agenda tonight, and under Legislative line item N. 3 we are going to remove this Resolution for Support of SB 2052 from the Agenda until further notice.

PEOPLE REQUESTING TO BE ON THE AGENDA: No one requested to be on the Agenda tonight.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES: *Alderman Evans*

Reminder of Public Hearing for Vacating North Washington St.: Alderman Evans commented we will be having a Public Hearing on April 7, 2008 for the vacating of North Washington Street.

Alderman Evans mentioned that we will need a three quarters vote in order to pass this.

Award of Grass Cutting Bid 2008/2009: Alderman Evans commented in your packets you have the Bid Sheet for the Grass Cutting for the city, and Perry's Lawn Service won the bid at \$11,350.00.

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Adomite to accept Perry's Lawn Service low bid of \$11,350.00 for 2008/2009 grass cutting bid for the City of Troy. Roll call vote was taken: Aldermen Adomite, Brannon, Davis, Evans, Italiano, Lanahan, McTaggart, Metcalf yeas, 8 yeas, 0 nays, motion carries.

BUILDING AND ZONING COMMITTEE: *Alderman Adomite*

Building Inspector's Report: Alderman Adomite presented the Building Inspector's Report for February; the Estimated Value was \$1,510,044.57, Fees Collected were \$6,994.22, and Permits Retired are \$69,957.00. Alderman Adomite mentioned that on page two we are keeping track of our rental inspections. Alderman Adomite moved, seconded by Alderman Davis to accept the Building Inspector's Report as presented. Roll call vote was taken: Aldermen Adomite, Brannon, Davis, Evans, Italiano, Lanahan, McTaggart, Metcalf yeas, 8 yeas, 0 nays, motion carries.

Alderman Adomite asked if Code Administrator Frey has prepared a second letter to the ones who have not signed up for inspections yet. Code Administrator Frey commented they are in the process of mailing out a second notice. Alderman Evans asked how many have not responded to the first letter. Code Administrator Frey commented there is still about one fourth of them.

Alderman Adomite commented that the Subdivision Status Report has Season's Village complete now, so, they are moving forward.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE: *Alderman Brannon*

Business Registrations for February 2008: Alderman Brannon commented that we have two Home Occupations; Lake Front Customs/Michael Kennedy at 105 W. Clay Street/Internet retail using online auction sites such as e-bay, Brian's outdoor management/Brian & Carey Gropp at 406 Creekside Drive for base of operations for lawn service company. There was one Code Inspection for First National Bank of Staunton at 116 S. Main Street.

Alderman Brannon commented there was no TDR meeting this week.

Report on Committee Meeting-Tourism Funds: Alderman Brannon commented you have my minutes from February 23, 2008 Tourism meeting and the second page is what we have decided to disburse. As you can see in the second column is the Expenditures they applied for and the third column is what was approved, and the last column is what month they would need the funds. Alderman Brannon commented last year we gave out \$163,500.00 this year it was asked for \$156,206.00 and we decided to give out \$102,500.00 that will leave a fund balance of around \$60,660.00. Everybody was funded that requested any funds some did not receive the full balance of it, but everyone was funded. *Alderman Brannon moved, seconded by Alderman Adomite to approve the 2008 Tourism Fund as attached to these Minutes. (See Attached)* Alderman Lanahan asked if that Church was still in there. Alderman Brannon commented yes it was. Alderman Adomite commented it is not the Church, it is the Harvest Ministries, a not for profit youth organization. They bring heads in beds at least 300 people each program they do. Alderman Lanahan commented you say we can't have a Christmas Manger up for Christmas but we can give Churches money. Alderman Adomite commented they were the only one that applied this year, so no others were excluded. Alderman Brannon commented we struggle with this every year but they do put a lot of heads in beds. *Roll call vote was taken: Alderman Adomite yea, Brannon yea, Davis abstained, Evans yea, Italiano yea, Lanahan nay, McTaggart yea, Metcalf yea, 6 yeas, 1 abstention, 1 nay, motion carries.* Alderman Metcalf commented that we cut the Store Front Program to save money. Mayor Caraker commented we are working on some things to help the downtown businesses, they are very important to us. Mayor Caraker commented we can have the City Attorney check the statues for churches.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: *Alderman Lanahan*

Treasurer's Report for February 2008: Alderman Lanahan moved, seconded by Alderman Davis to approve the Treasurer's Report for *January 2008* as presented. Roll call vote was taken: Aldermen Adomite, Brannon, Davis, Evans, Italiano, Lanahan, McTaggart, Metcalf yeas, 8 yeas, 0 nays, motion carries. Alderman Lanahan moved, seconded by Alderman Italiano to approve the Treasurer's Report for *February 2008* as presented. Roll call vote was taken: Aldermen Adomite, Brannon, Davis, Evans, Italiano, Lanahan, McTaggart, Metcalf yeas, 8 yeas, 0 nays, motion carries.

Sales Tax Report from the Illinois Department of Revenue for December/March: Alderman Lanahan commented the Sales Tax Report from the Illinois Department of Revenue was \$80,962.65

Bills to be Approved and Paid for the month of February/March: Alderman Lanahan presented the Aged Obligation Report Summary: Total Computer Checks \$194,382.46, Total Manual Checks were \$17,694.49, the Grand Total is \$212,076.95. Alderman Lanahan moved, seconded by Alderman Adomite to approve the Aged Obligation Report Summary and pay the bills as presented. Roll call vote was taken: Aldermen Adomite, Brannon, Davis, Evans, Italiano, Lanahan, McTaggart, Metcalf yeas, 8 yeas, 0 nays, motion carries.

Administrator Soland commented the new report in your packets is something that Administration developed for a review of the last nine months. Mayor Caraker commented these are a result of the new accounting program that we have been working on.

Treasurer: In January he gave you the fund balances only, but he thought we would have the computer generated one ready, and it was not. Therefore, tonight he brought January and February Treasurer's Report.

LAND USE COMMITTEE: *Alderman Metcalf*

Report on Planning Commission: Alderman Metcalf commented the Planning Commission met and they finalized the Subdivision Ordinance, they have a few outstanding actions with Code Administrator Frey also has a few follow-ups from the meeting. They should be able to show the Council a revised issue of it soon. Code Administrator Frey commented we are mandated by the IEPA and the Federal EPA for Storm Water Control. We received a sample ordinance from the county, which we are incorporating into our city's codes. Once we get that incorporated we are going to check with the Planning Commission to see if anything else is needed, then we can get it to the council for their review.

Review Agreement for Economic Development Resources: Attorney Wigginton commented we have an Ordinance tonight authorizing the City to enter into an Agreement with Economic Development Resources, L.L.C. We have their Scope of Service and the Addendum to Agreement for Technical Services and Assistance between the City of Troy, Illinois and the Economic Development Resources, L.L.C. This is a document that Attorney Wigginton created and has been the subject of negotiations between him and their attorney. Attorney Wigginton commented that this is in its final form, and item number 4 Expenses/Cost we will put in \$100.00 for if they need copies or things of that nature we can save cost by doing some of that ourselves. Attorney Wigginton commented the original contract, in his opinion did not cover the city as well as it should at that cost. Alderman Evans asked if Attorney Wigginton could elaborate on the agreement where it said not to exceed 15 months. Attorney Wigginton commented Mr. Norber stated it would take 12 to 15 months to complete. Alderman Evans also asked if Mr. Norber fee would be broke down to \$6,000.00 a month. Attorney Wigginton commented no, there is a set schedule for the payments and it is attached to the original Scope of Service.

Attorney Wigginton commented here on page two of the Addendum under number seven it states, the City may terminate the Agreement and this Addendum and all services of Consultant hereunder at any time without cause by giving at least 30 days written notice. Mayor Caraker commented bottom line it is hard to put a time line on it. Administrator Soland commented that we would like to put the date started at the time he actually starts, and that is when the agreement can go into effect, then have the 15 months. Attorney Wigginton commented that tonight we will pass the Ordinance with the Agreement and Addendum together.

Alderman Metcalf commented the next Council meeting April 7, 2008 he will be out of town on business and will not be attending the Public Hearing or the Council meeting.

LAW ENFORCEMENT & EMERGENCY SERVICES: *Alderman McTaggart*

Police Report for February 2008: Alderman McTaggart moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to approve the Police Report for February 2008 as presented. Roll call vote was taken: Aldermen Adomite, Brannon, Davis, Evans, Italiano, Lanahan, McTaggart, Metcalf yeas, 8 yeas, 0 nays, motion carries. Chief Rizzi commented the new officer is starting the academy two weeks from today. Our cars are still about three weeks out, and we just lost another car today, so we need them soon as possible.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE: *Alderman Italiano*

Water & Sewer Report for February 2008: Alderman Italiano moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to approve the Water & Waste Water Treatment Plant Report for February 2008 as presented. Roll call vote was taken: Aldermen Adomite, Brannon, Davis, Evans, Italiano, Lanahan, McTaggart, Metcalf yeas, 8 yeas, 0 nays, motion carries.

Director of Public Works: Mr. Secrest commented we have been patching holes on Spring Valley Rd., Main Street, and Webster. Jetted some culverts on James Drive and found a bowling ball in there. Did some work on the ditching on Formosa, Kimberlin, and James; we started work on the water main for Walgreen's. Started up the lift station for Wendell Creek, jetted some sewer lines, and read meters.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE: *Alderman Davis*

Ordinance to Approve Agreement with Economic Development Resources, LLC: Alderman Davis moved, seconded by Alderman Metcalf to pass *Ordinance 2008-05* an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Troy, Illinois, Authorizing the City to enter into and the Mayor and Clerk to Execute an Agreement for Technical Services and Assistance between Economic Development Resources, L.L.C. and the City of Troy, Illinois with the Addendum to Agreement for Technical Services and Assistance which also include the fee schedule. Roll call vote was taken: Aldermen Adomite, Brannon, Davis, Evans, Italiano, Lanahan, McTaggart, Metcalf yeas, 8 yeas, 0 nays, motion carries.

Ordinance to No parking Sign on East Mary Drive: Alderman Davis moved, seconded by Alderman Lanahan to pass *Ordinance 2008-04* for the purpose of No Parking on Mary Drive. Roll call vote was taken: Aldermen Adomite, Brannon, Davis, Evans, Italiano, Lanahan, McTaggart, Metcalf yeas, 8 yeas, 0 nays, motion carries.

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Resolution for IDOT Route 162 Easement: Alderman Davis moved, seconded by Alderman Lanahan to adopt *Resolution 2008-03* an Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) Resolution for Parcel No. 8A16109 on Route 162 the State of Illinois Desires to acquire a Temporary Easement on the above described premises for the use of the Department of Transportation for Highway purpose has made an offer of \$2,000.00 for the described property. Roll call vote was taken: Aldermen Adomite, Brannon, Davis, Evans, Italiano, Lanahan, McTaggart, Metcalf yeas 8 yeas, 0 nays, motion carries.

Mayor Caraker commented we will be having a Workshop Meeting on March 31, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. for the purpose of discussing improvements for Klaustermeier Park.

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Brannon to adjourn, all aldermen present yeas, 8 yeas, 0 nays, motion carries, meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Tammy J Mitchell, RMC, CMC
City Clerk