
**PROCEEDINGS OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PEKIN, ILLINOIS,
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF CITY HALL
111 SOUTH CAPITOL STREET
ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2010 AT 5:30 O'CLOCK P.M.
RUSTY L. DUNN, MAYOR PRESIDING**

**PRESENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS, ABEL, BARRA, KORTKAMP, SCHMIDGALL, STRAND,
BLANCHARD, AND DUNN**

ABSENT: NONE

The **Pledge of Allegiance** was led by Mayor Dunn.

Roll was called and all Council Members were present.

AGENDA

Motion by Council Member Strand, seconded by Council Member Kortkamp, the agenda be approved as presented. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

MINUTES

Motion by Council Member Strand, seconded by Council Member Abel, that the **minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of October 12, 2010 be approved as written.** On roll call vote, Ayes, Schmidgall, Blanchard, Kortkamp Barra, Abel, and Dunn; Pass Strand.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Council Member Kortkamp, seconded by Council Member Barra, that the Consent Agenda be approved as presented. The following were presented by Mayor Dunn for consideration of the Consent Agenda items by Omnibus Vote. Council Member Blanchard questioned the placement of PPC Hearings under Consent Agenda. Attorney Dancey stated that the recommendations had always been "received and filed" by Council.

1. **Receive and File Monthly Reports and Minutes:** Building September Report and Inspections and Zoning September Report.
2. **Resolution No. 71-10/11** – In Support of PPUATS Project (Petri Lane Extension).
3. **Receive and File** the Pekin Planning Commission Minutes dated October 13, 2010.
4. **Receive and File Pekin Planning Commission Hearings and Recommendations:**
 - a. Hearing #10-1818– recommends the approval of the amended Site Plan for a Crematory for property located at the corner of Parkway and Velde Drive.
 - b. Hearing #10-1819– recommends the approval of the Special Use not included for a Crematory for property located at the corner of Parkway and Velde Drive.
 - c. Hearing #10-1820– tabled the Rezoning for New Testament Baptist Church property located along Velde Drive.
 - d. Hearing #10-1821– tabled the Site Plan for New Testament Baptist Church property located along Velde Drive.
 - e. Hearing #10-1822– tabled the Special Use for New Testament Baptist Church property located along Velde Drive.
 - f. Hearing #10-1823- recommends approval of Amendment to the Comprehensive Plan.
 - g. Hearing #10-1824 – recommends the approval of the Rezoning of four tracks to B-3 (General Business District) and leaving the remaining 104 acres as AG (Agricultural) pending Annexation.
 - h. Hearing #10-1825 – recommends the approval of the Annexation of the Rick Evans Property.
 - i. Hearing #10-1806 (rehearing of recommendation to deny) – voted to table and continue the Public Hearing on November 10, 2010, the Special Use Request for a Cell Tower located at 3000 Court.

On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion by Council Member Barra, seconded by Council Member Kortkamp, that the recommendation of the Planning Commission to approve the **SITE PLAN for a Crematory located at the corner of Parkway and Velde Drive, be approved.** Public Works Director Joe Wuellner addressed both site plan and special use recommendations to allow Henderson Funeral Home to construct the addition of a crematory along with the previously (April 22, 2010) approved site of the facility. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Motion by Council Member Barra, seconded by Council Member Strand, that the recommendation of the Planning Commission to approve the **SPECIAL USE for a Crematory located at the corner of Parkway and Velde Drive, be approved.** On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Motion by Council Member Abel, seconded by Council Member Blanchard, that the **AMENDMENT TO THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN be approved.** Council was informed that the conditions of the present Plan have changed since its last update related to a proposed expansion of Riverway Business Park, completion of Hanna Drive extension, annexation issues, proposed South Industrial Park Conservation (IPC) TIF District and economic development opportunities. The City re-evaluated land use for portions in the growth area south and west to be consistent with future community needs. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

ORDINANCE NO. 1568-A183-10/11 **REZONING OF CERTAIN PROPERTY** **EVANS PROPERTY 9 TRACTS**

Motion by Council Member Abel, seconded by Council Member Kortkamp, that Ordinance No.1568-A183 10/11 be adopted. Recommendation was made to rezone recently annexed land at the corner of 14th Street and Koch Street heading south. Zoning would be from Tazewell County classification of Industrial and Residential to B-3 (General Business) except 104 acres as AG (Agriculture) until such time by terms of annexation agreement a residential classification would be determined. On roll call vote, all present vote Aye.

Motion by Council Member Blanchard, seconded by Council Member Barra, that the **AGREEMENT WITH CRAWFORD, MURPHY & TILLY FOR PAVEMENT REHABILITATION, be approved.** Approves CMT to perform construction engineering support in T- Hangar pavement maintenance and special services for prior land acquisition reimbursement for the Pekin Municipal Airport. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Motion by Council Member Kortkamp, seconded by Council Member Abel, that expenditure be approved for \$25,000.00 contribution to the **PEORIA AREA CONVENTION AND VISITORS' BUREAU.** Council Members discussed a course of action to take in funding in some manner a request presented at a previous meeting for participation in PACVB. It was suggested to contribute initial dollars from Tourism Fund to give the organization needed funding. Over the next year the City could evaluate overall return on investment and possibility of increasing Hotel/Motel tax. Council Member Blanchard did not see value in the Director Bob Mark's proposal and stated he would not be supporting the expenditure. On roll call vote, Ayes, Schmidgall, Strand, Kortkamp, Barra, Abel, and Dunn; Nay, Blanchard. Motion Carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 2630-10/11 **ESTABLISHING A NEW CITY LOGO AND THEME**

Motion by Council Member Blanchard, seconded by Council Member Barra, that Ordinance No. 2630-10/11 be adopted. City Manager Dennis Kief presented the graphic depicting the word Pekin and the marigold created through the Chamber of Commerce marketing. On roll call vote, all present vote Aye.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COUNCIL

Council Member Blanchard encouraged everyone to vote on Tuesday, November2, 2010. Council Member Kortkamp wished her 92 year old mother watching from home a Happy Birthday. Mayor Dunn announced that the next regular meeting of the Council would be Monday, November 8, 2010. Council Member Schmidgall in a prepared statement responded to the issues arising from the proposal of Mr. Greer to house Veterans in the previously owned Place on Prince and chastised the use of Veterans in the attempt to secure emotional support of the community to occupy the property against the zoning code. Public Works Director Joe Wuellner

requested the residents' cooperation in not raking leaves in the gutters. Attorney Dancey encouraged the community to be careful for Trick or Treaters on Sunday night. Police Chief Miller encouraged participation in the Department's Nite Out Against Crime to be held on Thursday, October 28, 2010.

Marcus Agatucci, 1605 Crescent Drive addressed Council in regards to his concerns about City liability and access to public property at Crescent and Sheridan Road. He reported an adjacent homeowner placed a fence over right-of way that restricted walkers at the corner curb. He requested the fence be removed and the missing sidewalk from the intersection expansion project be installed.

Marg Melcher, 1821 Highwood read from a news paper editorial written by Dave Simpson to support her previous request in naming a street in honor of Astronaut Scott Altman.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Council Member Schmidgall, seconded by Council Member Blanchard, that the Council move to Executive Session at 6:20 P.M. to discuss: 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) 11. Litigation and 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) 5. Acquisition of Property and Personnel 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) 1. On roll call vote all present voted Aye.

No further business to come before the Council, in open session, Mayor Dunn called the meeting closed.

COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 6:45 P.M.

Sue E. McMillan
City Clerk