
**PROCEEDINGS OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PEKIN, ILLINOIS,
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE CITY HALL
ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2001 AT 5:30 O'CLOCK P.M.
R. DAVID TEBBEN * MAYOR * PRESIDING**

PRESENT: COMMISSIONERS, BARRA, ORRICK, AND RICHMOND

ABSENT: COMMISSIONER MASSAGLIA

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

Roll was called and all commissioners were present except Commissioner Massaglia.

Agenda

Motion by Com'r. Barra, seconded by Com'r. Orrick, that the **Agenda, be approved as presented.** On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Motion by Com'r. Barra, seconded by Com'r. Richmond, that the **Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of September 24, 2001, be approved as written.** On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Consent Agenda

Motion by Com'r. Barra, seconded by Com'r. Orrick, that the **Consent Agenda be approved as presented.**

1. Receive and File Monthly Reports: Police, Fire, Zoning and Inspections (Building, Code Enforcement, Sewer & Plumbing, Electrical, HVAC, Inspection Minutes dated September 19 and October 3) Tazewell Animal Control, Traffic Safety Committee
2. Proclamation: "International Alpha Delta Kappa Month"
3. Resolution No. 139 - Appointment of Robert Moore and the Re-appointment of James E. Warning to the Civic Center Authority Board for Three Year Terms Ending November 4, 2004
4. Receive and File Audit Reports Dated April 30, 2001 prepared by Willock Warning & Co., P.C.:
Annual Financial Statement
Tax Increment Financing Central Business District Fund
Tax Increment Financing Route 29 Fund
Sewerage Fund

On roll call vote all present voted Aye.

Mayor Tebben read and presented the proclamation "International Alpha Delta Kappa Month" to Marge Melchers, wife of a former Commissioner. The Mayor congratulated the sorority for women's education and all teachers for their contribution and dedication to the profession.

Communications, Petitions, Reports

Mayor Tebben accepted an **AMERICAN FLAG** on behalf of the community from Owen Ewing. Mr. Ewing spoke of his wishes for the City to fly the colors that were draped on his father's coffin by the U.S. Navy before being buried at sea. Mayor Tebben accepted the gift with honor and in order to preserve the flag from outside elements it would be displayed appropriately in the entrance of the New City Hall when completed. The Mayor placed the flag in the custody of the Public Properties Director Greg Ranney and instructed him to arrange for a ceremony to commemorate the offering in September 2002.

Lt. Gary Lowe presented the Pekin Police Department **CITIZEN'S ON PATROL VOLUNTEER PROGRAM** to the Council. He explained the program was an evolution of the Citizen Police Academy and a step forward in the department's Community Policing goals. The attempt to get the community involved with the police department as productive members of a team would incorporate tasks utilizing the volunteers such as driving squad cars for vehicle maintenance appointments, performing clerical duties, traffic control for special events, so that officers could focus on police duties. No formal action was taken but the Chair asked that the clerk reflect in the meeting minutes Council's endorsement for the department to move forward with the project.

Chief of Fire Operations John Janssen presented to Eleanor Gibbons a framed certificate honoring her dedication in planning a benefit luncheon at Pekin Township at which donations were given to the New York Fire Department. Ms. Gibbons stated that it was an honor to accept the recognition for all the volunteers. She went on to state it was a proud day for her two countries, England and the United States, to team together against the atrocity of terrorism that was seen in the attacks on the World Trade Center.

New Business

Motion by Com'r. Barra, seconded by Com'r. Orrick, that the **QUOTE FROM PEKIN RECYCLING FOR YARDWASTE 4 YEAR CONTRACT AND RECYCLING 4 YEAR CONTRACT** be accepted. Greg Ranney Public Properties Director elaborated on the differences as stated in his memo to Council on the rates quoted by Pekin Recycling and LHF Compost, Inc. He recommended Pekin Recycling over the low bidder and answered questions regarding additional costs for transport to LHF Compost's Peoria facility. He stated bid prices were down from last quotes. On roll call vote, all present voted aye.

RESOLUTION NO. 140 **APPROPRIATING MFT FUNDS FOR VETERANS DRIVE**

Motion by Com'r. Barra, seconded by Com'r. Orrick, that Resolution No. 140 be adopted. Dennis Kief Public Works Director, stated that the resolution authorizing the expenditure of local funds for the City's share of the Veteran's Drive construction project was one of the continuing steps in the chronology of events that need to take place for the joint funding agreement. City's Gas Tax Revenue may offset a part of the MFT expenditure. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Other Business

Greg Ranney reported that Spruce Up Pekin was extremely successful. He thanked the volunteers, community and Waste Management for their participation. He also announced the City won the People's Choice Award for their entry in the Chamber of Commerce Ambassador's sponsored Chili Cook-Off.

After the attacks on the World Trade Center IEMA asked that cities suspend testing emergency sirens the first Tuesday of each month. It was the consensus of Council to resume the testing and continue a normal pattern of living.

Mayor Tebben attended a tourism promotion which hosted 198 classic vehicles. He displayed a license plate entitled Motor Ioway that the group had presented to him.

Happy 50th Birthday wishes were extended to City Engineer Joe Wuellner.

Mayor Tebben announced that he would be attending a meeting in Springfield on Thursday to discuss the approach to terrorism with the Governor and statewide legislators.

Commissioner Fred Massaglia was wished a speedy recovery following a procedure he was scheduled for on Tuesday.

Reporters from the *Peoria Journal Star*, the *Pekin Daily Times* and news media stations were given the opportunity to ask questions.

Motion by Com'r. Barra, seconded by Com'r. Orrick, that Council move to **Executive Session** at 6:05 p.m. to discuss Acquisition of Real Estate, Personnel and Pending Litigation. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

No further business to come before the Council, a motion was made by Com'r. Barra, seconded by Com'r. Orrick, that Council adjourn. Motion carried by voice vote.

COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 6:45 P.M.

Sue E. McMillan
City Clerk