
**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, SEPTEMBER 10, 2001 AT 5:30 O'CLOCK P.M.
R. DAVID TEBBEN * MAYOR * PRESIDING**

PRESENT: COMMISSIONERS, BARRA, MASSAGLIA, ORRICK, AND RICHMOND

ABSENT: NONE

The **Pledge of Allegiance** was led by Geoff Turner Community Development Coordinator.

Jill Ellestad introduced new employee Geoff Turner, a Pekin native and recent graduate of Eureka College. Mr. Turner was welcomed by Council.

Roll was called and all commissioners were present.

Agenda

Motion by Com'r. Barra, seconded by Com'r. Orrick, that the **Agenda, be amended by adding under New Business # 8. Intergovernmental Agreement with Illinois Department of Transportation for Tazewell County Traffic Congestion Mitigation Corridor Study.** On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Motion by Com'r. Barra, seconded by Com'r. Orrick, that the **Agenda, be approved as amended.** 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 August 27, 2001, and the Special Meeting of August 20, 2001, be approved as written.** On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Consent Agenda

Motion by Com'r. Barra, seconded by Com'r. Richmond, 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), Tazewell Animal Control, Traffic Safety, Tourism Commission, First Quarter Investment Report
2. Proclamation: "Betty Scott Day"
3. Charitable Solicitation : Illinois Tumbling & Trampoline Inc. St. Jude Hospital September 8, 2001
4. Receive and File Bids for New City Hall/Police Facility Elevators
5. Resolution No. 136 - Regarding Sale of CILCO
6. Resolution No. 137 – Mayor's Appointment of Michael Clifton to the Historic Preservation Committee for a one year term ending May 1, 2002

On roll call vote all present voted Aye.

Mayor Tebben called to the community's attention Resolution No. 136 and spoke of the economic interest and valued partnership to the area that the City has in the ownership of the utility company CILCO. Pekin would go on record in support of the efforts of the City of Peoria to intervene in the sale to AES Corporation.

Communications, Petitions, Reports

A **Certificate of Civic Recognition** was presented to Joshua Hamilton by Mayor Tebben in grateful recognition for his prompt actions in preventing the death of Steven Peak when he was severely injured after falling from a rail car. Assistant Trainmaster of P & PU Railroad recommended recognition be given for his response to the accident.

A **PUBLIC HEARING** was opened by Mayor Tebben at 5:40 p.m. for the purpose of discussing the lease to Tobin Brothers Development Corporation . The notice was properly published by the clerk in the *Pekin Times* on August 23, 2001. Comments were received that the action was follow-up to a settlement agreement taken by Council to extend the lease to a parking lot at Capitol and Courts Streets for 5 years. It was clarified that no additional options were included and that the lease would formally begin after execution of the settlement agreement in regards to litigation arising from contractual agreements to demolish and backfill of the structures located at 326 and 328 Courts in 1992 with Joe Shallenberger . The Chair closed the hearing at 5:45 p.m.

Motion by Com'r. Orrick, seconded by Com'r. Barra, that the **RIVERFRONT WALL FEASIBILITY STUDY PREPARED BY THE FARNSWORTH GROUP**, be received and filed. Planning and Development Director Kim Uhlig discussed with Council the options and costs found in constructing a wall to develop a park setting and utilize the river view for the riverfront concept. The grain silos and the proximity of operating railroad tracks would affect design criteria. On roll call vote, all present voted aye.

New Business

ORDINANCE NO. 2264 **PROVIDING FOR EXECUTION OF A LEASE OF REAL PROPERTY** **WITHIN THE CITY OF PEKIN, ILLINOIS / TOBIN**

Motion by Com'r. Orrick, seconded by Com'r. Barra, that Ordinance No. 2264 be adopted. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Motion by Com'r. Orrick, seconded by Com'r. Barra, that the **INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH COUNTY OF TAZEWELL REGARDING FINANCING FOR RECYCLING PROGRAM** be approved. Public Properties Director Greg Ranney told Council the agreement for \$67,000 received from tipping fees to the landfill was used for education and to offset recycling. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Motion by Com'r. Orrick, seconded by Com'r. Barra, that the bid in the amount of \$48,145.00 for **NEW CITY HALL/POLICE FACILITY ELEVATOR** be accepted and the contract be awarded to United Technologies Otis Elevators. Com'r. Orrick's concerns if the award and other contracts were within total budget of the project were addressed by the City Manager. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Motion by Com'r. Massaglia, seconded by Com'r. Richmond, that the **CHANGE ORDER WITH LESCO FOR PEKIN PIER OVERLOOK PROJECT**, in the amount of \$18,657.00 be approved. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Motion by Com'r. Massaglia, seconded by Com'r. Richmond, that the **PEKIN AREA TOURISM BUREAU APPLICATION FOR HOTEL/MOTEL TAX FUND ASSISTANCE FOR AMATEUR SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION (ASA) WOMEN'S FAST PITCH TOURNAMENT** in the amount of \$5,000.00 be approved. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Motion by Com'r. Massaglia, seconded by Com'r. Richmond, that the City Manager, staff, and City Attorney be authorized to begin the process to **EXTEND THE DOWNTOWN TIF TO INCLUDE RIVERFRONT PROPERTIES**. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

ORDINANCE NO. 1462-A188 **AMENDING TITLE 8, CHAPTER 4, SECTION 1 AND SECTION 3** **OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF PEKIN 1995**

REGARDING NO PARKING PLACES AND HANDICAPPED SPACES – CENTER STREET
Motion by Com'r. Massaglia, seconded by Com'r. Richmond, that Ordinance No. 1462-A188 be adopted. Public Com'r. Richmond explained changes to the code in relation to the parking situation of businesses on N. 14th Street. Com'r. Orrick requested that the Mayor allow a directly affected resident to address the Council. Eleanor Gibbons, 1401 Center Street spoke in support of the change that would allow her to exit her driveway in an easier manner if parking were restricted on Center Street to the curb. Traffic Safety Committee recommended the ordinance as a trail in preventing long term parking by employees of businesses on a residential street. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Motion by Com'r. Richmond, seconded by Com'r. Orrick, that the Intergovernmental Agreement with Illinois Department of Transportation for **TAZEWELL COUNTY TRAFFIC CONGESTION MITIGATION CORRIDOR STUDY** in the amount of \$90,000.00 be approved and Public Works Director Dennis Kief be authorized to sign all documentation on behalf of the City of Pekin. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Other Business

Com'r. Barra introduced a group of students attending the meeting as part of Mr. McCabe's Pekin High Scholl Government Class.

Com'r. Orrick praised the community of it's participation in the Marigold Festival.

Mayor spoke of an article in the community newspapers reporting a students response to a choking child on a school bus. He acknowledged that while the State does not require CPR designation of bus drivers, the City of Pekin provides CPR training to all bus drivers taught by the members of the firefighters.

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. Richmond, seconded by Com'r. Massaglia, that Council move to **Executive Session** at 6:40 p.m. to discuss Acquisition of Real Estate. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

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

COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 7:10 P.M.

Sue E. McMillan
City Clerk