
**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, AUGUST 28, 2000, AT 5:30 O'CLOCK P.M.
R. DAVID TEBBEN * MAYOR * PRESIDING**

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

ABSENT: NONE

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

Roll was called and all commissioners were present.

Agenda

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

Motion by Com'r. Orrick, seconded by Com'r. Barra, that the **Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of August 14, 2000, be approved as written.** On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Consent Agenda

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

1. Receive and File Monthly Reports: Wastewater Treatment
2. Proclamation: Carpenters Union
3. Resolution No. 78 - (* 74 duplicate #) Reappointing James Warning to the Loan Review Committee
4. Receive and File Veterans Drive Extension Study and Mall Road Relocation Study Updates
5. Receive and File PPUATS Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Project Submittal for Parkway at Broadway Intersection scheduled for HES Program FY- 2003
6. Receive and File Engineering Pre-qualifications for Broadway @ Parkway Intersection
7. Receive and File Tazewell/Pekin Consolidated Communications Center Financial Statements prepared by Willock Warning & Co., P.C. dated April 30, 2000
8. Receive and File Groundwater Guardian Community Annual Report
9. Receive and File Pekin Zoning Board of Appeals Minutes dated August 9, 2000
10. Receive and File Pekin Planning Commission Minutes dated, August 9, 2000 (partial received August 14, 2000)
11. Receive and File Pekin Planning Commission Minutes dated August 23, 2000
12. Receive and File Planning Commission Recommendations and Hearings:
 - a. #1439 - recommends Preliminary Plat Sunset Hills Section #31
 - b. #1440 - recommends table the motion to deny Preliminary Plat Deerfield Subdivision
 - c. #1441 - recommends Preliminary Plat Deerfield Subdivision with changes

On roll call vote all present voted Aye.

New Business

**RESOLUTION NO. 79 (75 duplicate #)
PRELIMINARY PLAT SUNSET HILLS SECTION #31**

Motion by Com'r. Richmond, seconded by Com'r. Orrick, that Resolution No. 79 be adopted. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

RESOLUTION NO. 76

PRELIMINARY PLAT DEERFIELD SUBDIVISION

Motion by Com'r. Richmond, seconded by Com'r. Barra, that Resolution No. 76 be adopted. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Motion by Com'r. Jones, seconded by Com'r. Richmond, that the **REQUEST FOR EXTENDING THE CITY BUS ROUTE TO HICKORY HILLS AREA**, be approved. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Motion by Com'r. Jones, seconded by Com'r. Orrick, that the **SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF PEKIN, FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE, AND DEAN BACON**, be approved. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

RESOLUTION NO. 77

ENDORSING THE CONCEPT OF MUNICIPAL OWNERSHIP OF OUR WATER SYSTEM

Motion by Com'r. Barra, seconded by Com'r. Richmond, that Resolution No. 77 be adopted. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Other Business

Each member of the Council commented on the endorsement of municipal ownership of the water system.

Commissioner Jones initially spoke. He indicated he was hesitant at first but after review of the facts and talking with people the City owning the water company was best for the community. Commissioner Orrick informed the audience that he supported the recommendation of the Task Force and felt ownership would control rates. Commissioner Richmond asked the community to take the time study the facts, to look at the numbers, understand the dollars going to Vorhees, N.J., it is simply are overwhelmingly in favor of acquiring the water system. Commissioner Barra was also in agreement to do for the citizens of Pekin what Huber Heights did for its municipality and take local control. Mayor Tebben strongly urged citizens to make an informed choice and vote in favor of taking control of our water system for the future.

Commissioner Richmond presented several ribbons the City won for the garden entries in the Marigold contest and thanked the employees for the effort.

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

Garnet Meischner, 1401 Janssen told Council he was concerned in the cost to purchase the water company and stated that it was wrong to take over a private company.

Tom Hughes, 1517 Howard Court, spoke in opposition to his street being used as a through street for the Deerfield Subdivision. Herschel woods, 1524 Howard Court, representing other residents, opposed the direct access to the new development. He sighted the safety of children at the Koch Street entrance that attend First Baptist Christian School. He asked that Council convey comment and concerns of the neighbors back to the developer and the planning committee and not to rely only on the input from the preacher of the church. Terry Duits, 1525 Howard Court, addressed the Council. He was not in favor of the dead-end street being opened to the new construction.

Merlin Deppert, 1310 Sheridan Road, questioned the cost the City had incurred in the Raftelis Report and the expense to travel to Huber Heights. He opposed the City purchase of the water company.

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 6:30 P.M.

Sue E. McMillan
City Clerk