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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, AUGUST 9, 2010 AT 5:30 O'CLOCK P.M.
RUSTY L. DUNN, MAYOR PRESIDING

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

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBER SCHMIDGALL

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

Roll was called and all Council Members were present except Council Member Schmidgall.

AGENDA

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

MINUTES

Motion by Council Member Kortkamp, seconded by Council Member Blanchard, that **the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of July 26, 2010 and the Wastewater Treatment Plant Special Meeting of August 2, 2010, be approved as written.** On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Council Member Strand, seconded by Council Member Abel, that **the Consent Agenda be approved as presented.**

The following items were considered by Omnibus Vote.

1. **Receive and File Monthly Reports and Minutes:** Inspection and Zoning Report June, Liquor Commission unapproved Minutes Dated July 22, 2010, Fire Department June Report.

2. **Charitable Solicitation:** Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive September 17-19, 2010
Pekin Union Mission Basketball Tag Day October 22-24, 2010

3. **Resolution No. 63-10/11 –** Appointment of Leigh Ann Matthews as Administrator of the Pekin Area Enterprise Zone

4. **Receive and File** Bids for Annual Seal Coat Project for Street Maintenance opened August 3, 2010.

5. **Receive and File** Bids for Mill and Overlay North 14th Street both sides of Broadway opened August 3, 2010.

On roll call vote, all present voted Ayes,

NEW BUSINESS

Motion by Council Member Abel, seconded by Council Member Strand, that the **BID FOR THE ANNUAL STREET MAINTENANCE be approved and the contract awarded to Cullinan & Son, Inc. in the amount of $449,118.00.** Public Works Director Joseph Wuellner informed Council of the seal coat program for 2010 included all streets north of Sheridan Road to Route 98 from 11th Street to the River. The work was budgeted through MFT funds and partial CDBG funding. The program was scaled back and returned to the original 7 years versus the 5 year that had been in effect. He recommended the award to the only bidder Cullinan. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Motion by Council Member Abel, seconded by Council Member Strand, that the **BID FOR THE 14th STREET BOTH SIDES OF BROADWAY for mill and overlay project be approved and the contract awarded to Cullinan & Son, Inc. in the amount of $77,535.00.** Mr. Wuellner explained the added maintenance work at the intersection was due to the condition of 14th Street after the past two winters. Council expressed concern that the project not conflict with the Marigold Festival Events or the start of the school year. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Motion by Council Member Barra, seconded by Council Member Kortkamp, that the **STAFF BE AUTHORIZED TO SEND OUT REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR AN EVALUATION FOR A HOTEL FEASIBILITY STUDY.** City Manager Dennis Kief requested approval from Council to follow through with a study after receiving inquiries from parties interested in locating a motel in Pekin. He noted the City's history of being prepared with necessary studies for receiving funding such as Veterans Drive. Such a study would involve a consultant evaluating the quality/quantity of existing hotel rooms, demand sources, best locations, brand review and market demand. He told Council in a highly competitive economic development world, the leveraging tool could be shared for other prospects seeking evaluations of the community's amenities i.e. conference rooms & banquet space.

Council Member Blanchard stated he had requested staff to contact each hotel for occupancy numbers and spoke in opposition of the expenditure. Treasurer James Wolf explained to the Council that attempts to solicit the information were not successful.

Mr. Kief estimated the study that would come back to Council for approval to be in an amount not to exceed $20,000.00 funded through the Hotel Motel Tax fund.

On roll call vote, Ayes, Strand, Kortkamp, Barra, Abel and Dunn; Nay, Blanchard. Motion Carried.

Motion by Council Member Blanchard, seconded by Council Member Kortkamp, that the **AGREEMENT WITH D.J. MAHONEY, INC. for compost contract for a term until January 15, 2012, be approved.** Director of Solid Waste Greg Ranney recommended that the yard waste agreement be extended for the additional year and one-half with the increased per cubic yard rates. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COUNCIL

Mayor Dunn announced that the Council would next meet on Monday, August 23, 2010. The public was encourage to be careful driving as classes begin for students the weeks of the 13th and the 20th.

Treasurer James Wolf reported back on the question from a member of the public on purchasing the proposed issue of Taxable General Obligation Bonds Series 2010 for the construction improvements of the Wastewater Treatment Plant. He advised that the agent Bernardi Securities needed to hear from interested parties before August 17th for purchase.

Council Member Blanchard announced that the Marigold Festival activities were gearing-up and volunteers were needed for the event. He also encouraged the use of the City Cooling Centers.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Council Member Blanchard, seconded by Council Member Strand, that the Council move to Executive Session at 5:55P.M. to discuss 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) 5. Acquisition of property for use of the Public Body. 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 6:10 P.M.

Sue E. McMillan
City Clerk