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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, JULY 28, 2008 AT 5:30 O'CLOCK P.M.
R. DAVID TEBBEN * MAYOR * PRESIDING

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

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBER JONES

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

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

Agenda

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

Motion by Council Member Strand, seconded by Council Member Kortkamp, that the **minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of July 14, 2008, and Special City Council Meeting of July 21, 2008 be approved as written.** On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Consent Agenda

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

Mayor Tebben read and presented the following for consideration of the Consent Agenda items by Omnibus Vote.

1. **Receive and File Monthly Reports and Minutes:** Fire Department June Report, Tourism Committee Minutes for July 16, 2008, Airport July Minutes, Persons with Disabilities Committee May Minutes, and Building Report for June, 2008

2. **Charitable Solicitations: Pekin High Swim and Dive Boosters Club Fundraiser- August 16, 2008**
   Jeremy Richards medical expenses-donation cans at businesses
3. **Resolution No. 50-08/09 – Mayor's Appointment of Charlotte Jibben to the Pekin Tourism, Convention, Visitors Committee for a two year term until the First Monday in May 2010.**

4. **Receive and File Bids for Construction Improvements Pekin Municipal Airport – Hangar Doors**

5. **Receive and File Bids for Construction Improvements Pekin Municipal Airport – Seal Coating**

6. **Receive and File correspondence from Comcast Communications regarding changes to products**

On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS, REPORTS
EASTERN BYPASS

Deb Spencer, Administrative Assistant to the Eastern Bypass Coalition, Inc. presented an overview of the process of an eastern bypass in the tri-county area. She indicated the Illinois Department of Transportation had begun the feasibility stage to determine a corridor location for a highway intended to join Illinois Route 6 with Interstate 74.

She spoke of the goal s not only of safe and effective transportation but also using "Context Sensitive Solutions" techniques. The formation of Community Advisory Groups and open house presentations were opportunities for public input on preservation and enhancement of scenic, economic, historic, and natural qualities of the areas. Terry Kohlbus Director of Tri-County Regional Planning Commission addressed Council on the time-line from feasibility, corridor alignment, engineering phases, to construction.

FIRE STATIONS SPACE PRESENTATION
Fire Chief Chuck Lauss presented a general explanation of space needed for fire department operations. He indicated relocation of Station 3 had been studied for years. General parameters of new construction:

- one roof with several functions
- efficiencies
- floor plan – drive thru, storage, training area
- original estimate of $4 million dollars increased 6-8% per year now $7.8 million inflated dollars
- could be done in phases $2 million reserved for unfinished police bays
- architectural fee and contingencies would make a $9.1 million project

Council Member Strand felt there was the need to fund maintenances of stations and all City structures

NEW BUSINESS
Motion by Council Member Dunn, seconded by Council Member Abel, that the **PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT WITH ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION PEKIN MUNICIPAL AIRPORT REHABILITATION WEST PORTION OF THE GENERAL AVIATION APRON**, be approved. Public Works Director Joe Wuellner explained to the Council that the Airport receives Federal funding through the State of Illinois for improvement projects but will not contribute to structures. Each project requires agreement by the City to use federal funds appropriately and to maintain the improvement for a certain period of time. The agreement is for funding utilized to seal coat west ramp. The funding is the last of the entitlement for building improvements. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Motion by Council Member Dunn, seconded by Council Member Abel, that the City concur with the recommendation of the Illinois Department of Transportation to award the **PEKIN MUNICIPAL AIRPORT CONSTRUCTION IMPROVEMENTS FOR SEAL COATING THE WEST RAMP** to the low bidder Micro-surfacing in the amount of $58,190.00 and that the City portion of the project in the amount of $1,455.00, be approved. The Public Works Director also advised Council that the project was State bid on June 13, 2008. The Airport Commission recommended concurring with IDOT for accepting the low bid g. Funding was from the FAA grant received with the City's portion being 2.5% or $1,455.00 for this contract. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye

Motion by Council Member Abel, seconded by Council Member Blanchard, that the City concur with the recommendation of the **PEKIN MUNICIPAL AIRPORT COMMISSION** to award the bid for "T" Hangar Door Improvement to the low bidder Logan Construction in the amount of $364,800.00 and that the City's portion of the contract in the amount of $18,240.00, be approved. Mr. Wuellner then addressed the project to replace the doors to improve opening mechanism of the original equipment from 1964. He advised the bids were opened on June 24, 2008 and that funding of the 5% of the contract was from the FAA grant received by the City. On roll call vote, present voted Aye.

Motion by Council Member Blanchard, seconded by Council Member Dunn, that the City participation in the tourism contract for the **FLW FISHING TOUR & TOURNAMENT** be approved in the amount of $12,000.00. Discussion followed with Council Members and Economic Development Coordinator Steve Brown regarding the regional sponsorship of tourism/league tournaments and the Peoria Area Convention and Visitors Bureau's participation also of $8,000.00. Mr. Brown spoke of the benefits of the quality event. On roll call vote, present voted Aye**.**

ANY OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COUNCIL
Council Member Blanchard made note of the large participation of kids fishing at the Lagoon and the success of the Larry Casting event.

Council Member Kortkamp extended congratulations for success of other community events held during the last week –Main Street Downtown Cruise-Inn and Bob Monge Annual Sunset Hills Best Ball.

Council Member Dunn stated he attended the Robert B. Monge exhibit room at the Tazewell County Historic Museum and strongly encouraged the community to visit the facility.

He also noted there with the start of the JFL season there would be many more pedestrians crossing at Stadium Drive to Coal Miners Park. He urged all drivers to open the 30 mph speed and the right of way for pedestrians to stop traffic in crossing Parkway Drive in the crosswalk.

Council Member Abel, in referring to the recent announcement of Illinois Community College locating in Pekin by Fall semester, suggested Pekin Community High School partner with the college for skilled trades curriculum.

Public Works Director Joe Wuellner informed Council that the barrels would be removed from Broadway / Parkway Intersection Project by the end of the week. A reminder was given on the Broadway Road Widening Project that the Work Zone speed limit of 30 mph was being strictly enforced. The provision remains in effect at night and on weekends. Appreciation was extended to the police department for their help in the safety of this project.

Bill Gilroy 1312 South 11th Street expressed concern following a storm that resulted in down power lines. He felt there should have been better response by the electrical provider CILCO. In referring to the Fire Station space study he suggested the City sell the old station if a new facility were constructed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Council Member Strand, seconded by Council Member Kortkamp, that **Council move to Executive Session** at 6:30 P.M. to discuss 5 ILCS 120/2 (c.) 6. The setting of a price for sale or lease of Municipally Owned Property and 5 ILCS 120/2 (c.) 5. The purchase or lease of real property for the 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 Tebben called the meeting closed.

COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 7:10 P.M.

Sue E. McMillan
City Clerk