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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 12, 2010 AT 5:30 O'CLOCK P.M.
RUSTY L. DUNN, MAYOR PRESIDING

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

ABSENT: NONE

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

Roll was called and all Council Members were present.

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

MINUTES
Motion by Council Member Schmidgall, seconded by Council Member Abel, that the **minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of June 28, 2010 and the Special Council Meeting of June 21, 2010, be approved as written.** On roll call vote all present voted Aye.

CONSENT AGENDA
Motion by Council Member Blanchard, seconded by Council Member Strand, that the **Consent Agenda be approved as presented.** The following items were read by the Mayor and considered for Omnibus Vote.

1. **Receive and File Monthly Reports and Minutes:** Police Department June Report, Building Report April and May, 2010; Building Department Inspections and Zoning Reports April and May, 2010; Liquor Commission unapproved Minutes Dated June 24, 2010, Tazewell County Animal Control Report June, 2010, and Fire Department Report June Report.

2. **Resolution No. 60-10/11 –** Mayor's Appointment of Chris Coplan to the Human Rights Committee to Fill the unexpired term Michael Davis for a term until May 2013.

3. **Receive and File** Bids for Wastewater Treatment Plant (STP #1) Improvements Phase I opened July 1, 2010 at 2:00 p.m.

On roll call vote, all present voted Ayes.

COMMUNICATIONS PRESENTATION
Human Rights Update
Lynette Steger, Chairman of the Human Rights Committee was introduced. As stated in the language of the creation of the committee in 2009, she reported to the Council the committee's activities and recommendations. The purpose and goal of the Committee was to review and advise on public policy issues related to diversity, equality, and human rights. She also stated the members' task was to promote increased public awareness of the City's position and the legal and regulatory issues respecting human rights. Council was supportive of the committee's proposal to take a step in creating an educational and out-reach component verses one direction of reviewing complaints.

Wastewater Treatment Plant
Public Works Director Joseph Wuellner reported to Council that plans were going forward for the improvements of the Plant. Four bids were received at the July first opening and a summary of the bid tabulation was presented to the Council. Mr. Wuellner and the engineering firm of Farnsworth Group's offered the following for consideration:

- apparent low bidder, Williams Brothers Construction, Inc., was over $1 million dollars under the engineer's estimate and the budget discussed.
- Listed suppliers of equipment evidence compliance with specifications
- General and subcontractors proposed were all regional with experience in the scope of the project

The recommendation was to award as soon as possible based on:

- escalation in equipment and material prices
- advantage of the good construction weather days
- delays pushing completion of Phase I into Phase II
- impact of future high river levels
- meeting deadlines for Pollution Control Board Order and scheduled IEPA Project Facility Plan
- demonstrate commitment to the Plan for confidence and Low Interest Low Financing with IEPA

Council Member Schmidgall requested comments on the engineer's anticipation of need for higher level of engineering presence. City Manager Dennis Kief asked that Council consider setting a Special Council meeting for August 2, 2010 at 5:30 p.m. to award the bid, authorize bonding, and amend the sewer user fee. Council Member Barra asked if the date could be sooner but because of the schedules of the members the meeting was set for August 2, 2010.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion by Council Member Barra, seconded by Council Member Kortkamp, that the **2009 CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE EVALUATION REPORT (CAPER) AND THE 2010 ACTION PLAN AMENDMENT, be approved.** Pam Anderson Community Development Director, presented background for the submission of the performance measurement plan to HUD and pointed out completed projects and substantial changes in the allocated dollars in a PowerPoint presentation. She indicated specific dollar amounts for the projects of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) entitlement. Also reported were budgeted, expended, and reallocated amounts for projects such as administration, seal coating, rehabilitation program, code enforcement, public facilities improvements not for profit, and police. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

RESOLUTION NO. 56-10/11
ADOPTION AND AFFIRMATIVE STATEMENT OF ADOPTION OF VANTAGECARE RETIREMENT HEALTH SAVINGS PLAN

Motion by Council Member Kortkamp, seconded by Council Member Barra, that **Resolution No. 56-10/11, be adopted.** City Manager Dennis Kief presented to Council the documents to implement a retirement health savings program. The idea of the RHSP was originally negotiated in the police union contract and would be offered to groups of employees. The Manager recommended the ICMA Retirement Corporation Vantagecare as a means of administrating sick time monies an employee can use to offset health insurance premiums after retirement. The investment option would take the manual management and monitoring responsibility out of the City control and also the program investment would pay interest. Bill Shock of the Unland Companies addressed questions from Council Members regarding the 240 sick day statutory maximum, no cost to the City, $25.00 annual fee to employee, and a basis point fee for internal management of the balance. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

RESOLUTION NO. 58-10/11
APPROPRIATING MOTOR FUEL TAX FUNDS

Motion by Council Member Abel, seconded by Council Member Kortkamp, that **Resolution No. 58-10/11, be adopted.** Public Works Director Joe Wuellner advised of the request for MFT funds in the amount of $420,000 toward the seal coating operations of designated sections of town, 11th Street west to the river and north of Sheridan Road, based on the 5 Year Plan. CDBG funds would also be utilized. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

RESOLUTION NO. 59-10/11
APPROPRIATING MOTOR FUEL TAX FUNDS

Motion by Council Member Strand, seconded by Council Member Abel, that **Resolution No. 59-10/11, be adopted.** Council was advised that request for MFT funds in the amount of $80,000.00 would be utilized in repairing the deterioration of 14th Street either side of Broadway. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COUNCIL

Condolences were expressed in the passing of Bob Quarello.

Mayor Dunn announced that Council Member Strand would be presiding as Mayor Pro Tem at the meeting of July 26, 2010. He reminded members of the Special Meeting for the WWTP on August 2, 2010 at 5:30 p.m.

Public Works Director Joe Wuellner alerted Council and the Public to drive carefully and expect delays or detours on the eastern end of Willow Street between Schramm and Hemlock as the collapsed 15 ft sewer is repaired.

The Manager advised that the City was experiencing technical difficulties with e-mails during the week.

No further business to come before the Council Mayor Dunn called the meeting closed.

COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 6:10 P.M.

Sue E. McMillan
City Clerk