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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, JUNE 28, 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 Colton, Tyler and Trista, Bass, grandchildren of Patricia Pollock.

Roll was called and all Council Members were present.

AGENDA

Motion by Council Member Barra, seconded by Council Member Blanchard, that i**tem number 9. under New Business – Resolution for Retirement Health Savings be removed and the agenda then be approved as amended.** On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

MINUTES

Motion by Council Member Barra, seconded by Council Member Strand, that the **minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of June 14, 2010 be approved as written.** On roll call vote Ayes, Schmidgall, Strand, Kortkamp, Barra, Abel, Dunn; Nay, Blanchard. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC INPUT ON AGENDA ITEMS

Doug Wilson, 14753 Boston School Road, Mackinaw, sought Council's approval of the PEDIF loan needed for liquidly to keep the company's product, portable digital imagining machines, on the shelves and ready to be shipped to buyers.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Council Member Blanchard, seconded by Council Member Barra, that the **Consent Agenda be approved as presented.** The following items were considered for Omnibus Vote.

1. **Receive and File Monthly Reports and Minutes:** Mayor's Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Minutes May 13, 2010.

2. **Charitable Solicitation:** Renee and Tim Ellison Family Benefit July 25, 2010
   Erich Thompson Benefit October 2, 2010.

3. **Receive and File** Petition for Annexation South Side Trust and Savings Bank.

4. **Receive and File** the Pekin Planning Commission Minutes dated June 9, 2010.

5. **Receive and File Pekin Planning Commission Hearings and Recommendations:**
   a. Hearing #10-1805 & 10-1806 – recommends tabling the AT&T matter regarding the Cell Tower at 3000 Court Street until July 14, 2010.
   b. Hearing #10-1808 - recommends the approval of the Special Use for Loft Living contingent upon written documentation that 12 parking spaces are dedicated for the use of Fusion Youth Center driven ministry students and the RA in Woosley Funeral Home parking lot and said documentation is proved before June 28, 2010 to Ron Sieh or Sue McMillan .
   c. Hearing #10-1809 – recommends the approval of the Annexation of Tract 1 & 2 with a Legal Description as described in Insert 1 & 2.
   d. Hearing #10-1810 – recommends the approval of the Zoning Assignment of B-3 (General Business District) to Tract 1 & 2 with a Legal Description as described in Insert 1 &2.

On roll call vote, all present voted Ayes.

COMMUNICATIONS PRESENTATION
City Manager Dennis Kief presented to former Fire Chief Chuck Lauss, the National Fire Academy Award for his completion of a four year training program began when he was employed by the City. Two of his papers had been published.

City Manager Dennis Kief next presented Patricia Pollock a City watch on her retirement and over 30 years of service to Pekin. Pat expressed her appreciation and felt it was an honor to work with good people. Sara Newcomb was introduced to the Council as the new Human Resource Director. Steve Brown, Economic Development Coordinator, who had the opportunity join Avanti management team, was presented his former name plate from the staff table by the Manager. Mr. Kief next presented Leigh Ann Matthews, recently hire as Director of Economic Development, with her new name plate and a seat at the staff table.

Vickie Clark of Heartland Partnership summarized the Labor Study components. She advised Council that participation in the study, which Council would consider under New Business, would extend previous information to include the profile of the workforce and quality of the workforce. Four other cities and two counties were participating. Council Member Abel was told the information could be placed on the City Web Site.

Mayor Dunn read the information regarding the fund raising bike ride passing through Pekin, Sea to Shining Sea Service Men and Women Recognition presented by State Farm Insurance.

A Public Hearing was opened by Mayor Dunn at 5:56 p.m. for the purpose of considering the adoption of an ordinance to annex property for South Side Bank Branch. City Manager Dennis Kief commented favorable on the project to include a small adjacent parcel to accommodate the proposed drive-up facilities. No addition commends were heard. The Hearing was closed at 5:57 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS
Motion by Council Member Barra, seconded by Council Member Abel, that the **LOAN AGREEMENT WITH CUATTRO LLC, CUATTRO VETERINARY LLC, CUATTRO SOFTWARE LLC, AND CUATTRO MEDICAL LLC in the amount of $400,000.00 @ 3 ½% for 1 year, be approved.** Council Members were informed that the one year loan was the first use of the PEDIF line item intended for expansion of local business or recruitment of new. City Manager Dennis Kief stated the Economic Advisory Committee recommended approved of the loan based on the proper procedures followed in application, solid business plan, and proposal to add additional employees. The company manufactures and sells digital imaging equipment and software in the global medical market from their Sunset Plaza location. Council was appreciative of the company's continued support in the community. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye. (note: final agreement was made to Cuattro LLC and Cuattro Veterinary LLC only)

Motion by Council Member Abel, seconded by Council Member Kortkamp, that the **LOAN AGREEMENT WITH AVANTI'S DOME, LLC in the amount of $500,000.00, be approved.** Council was advised the Tourism Fund Reserves would be utilized at 3 ½% for 5 years which are replenished by Hotel/Motel Tax dollars. Council Member Blanchard stated while opposed to previous proposed loan to Sports Alliance, he was supportive of Albert Zellar's purchase based on proven successful business experience. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

ORDINANCE NO. 2620-10/11
ACCEPTING AN AGREEMENT TO PURCHASE AND AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF REAL PROPERTY – 830 BRENKMAN DRIVE

Motion by Council Member Kortkamp, seconded by Council Member Barra, that Ordinance No. 2620-10/11 **be adopted.** Council approved the purchase agreement with KEJM Properties LLC for the acquisition of the former Fort/Landmark Automobile Dealership utilizing TIF 2 close out dollars in the amount of $400,000.00. Council was told the City had not current plans to develop the 14,150 square foot building and large parking lot appraised at over $1 million dollars. Council Members Blanchard and Schmidgall indicated they would not support land speculation without a specific plan. On roll call vote, Ayes, Strand, Kortkamp, Barra, Abel, Dunn; Nays, Schmidgall and Blanchard. Motion Carried.

The following three amended contract for the engineering company to continue their work on Veterans Drive were explained and recommended by the Public Works Director Joe Wuellner:

Motion by Council Member Strand, seconded by Council Member Abel, that the **AMENDED ENGINEERING AGREEMENT WITH AECOM TECHNICAL SERVICES, INC. for design of Veterans Drive (VFW Road) South in the amount of $77,000,00, be approved.** On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Motion by Council Member Strand, seconded by Council Member Kortkamp, that the **AMENDED ENGINEERING AGREEMENT WITH AECOM TECHNICAL SERVICES, INC. for design of Veterans Drive Broadway to Sheridan in the amount of $35,000,00, be approved.** On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Motion by Council Member Strand, seconded by Council Member Barra, that the **AMENDED ENGINEERING AGREEMENT WITH AECOM TECHNICAL SERVICES, INC. for Phase I Study of Veterans Drive North in the amount of $23,000,00, be approved.** On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

RESOLUTION NO. 55-10/11
IN SUPPORT OF PPUATS PROJECT FOR PETRI LANE EXTENDED

Motion by Council Member Abel, seconded by Council Member Strand, that Resolution No. 55-10/11 **be adopted.** On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Motion by Council Member Abel, seconded by Council Member Strand, that the **CITY PARTICIPATION IN THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL FOR CENTRAL ILLINOIS REGIONAL LABOR STUDY in the amount of $3,000.00, be approved.** The Council generally supported the regional $50,000.00 Labor Study. Council Member Blanchard stated he did not think the City would see anything different than staff could obtain on employment figures for the area. Council Member Strand and Council Member Barra voiced their support of the beneficial information in providing the City, developers, and existing and prospective employers a tool to understand the local labor market. On roll call vote, Ayes, Strand, Schmidgall, Kortkamp, Barra, Abel, Dunn; Nay, Blanchard. Motion Carried.

Motion by Council Member Kortkamp, seconded by Council Member Abel, that the **SPECIAL USE REQUEST FOR LOFT LIVING IN THE FUSION YOUTH CENTER located at 335 Sabella, be approved.** Council Member Barra questioned the order of action taken on the project by which Council considered and approved a grant to the Center for upstairs improvements prior to obtaining a zoning special use for residential living in a business district. On roll call vote, Ayes, Strand, Schmidgall, Kortkamp, Blanchard, Abel, Dunn; Nay, Barra. Motion Carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 2623-10/11
AUTHORIZING THE ANNEXATION OF PROPERTY FOR SOUTH SIDE TRUST AND SAVINGS BANK BRANCH ON VETERANS DRIVE

Motion by Council Member Blanchard, seconded by Council Member Kortkamp, that Ordinance No. 2623-10/11 **be adopted.** On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

ORDINANCE NO. 1568-A182-10/11
ZONING OF CERTAIN PROPERTY

Motion by Council Member Blanchard, seconded by Council Member Barra, that Ordinance No. 1568-A182-10/11 zoning property to B-3 (General Business District) for South Side Trust and Savings Bank Branch on Veterans Drive, **be adopted.** On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Motion by Council Member Schmidgall, seconded by Council Member Blanchard, that the **SUPPLEMENTAL JOINT FUNDING AGREEMENT WITH PEORIA/PEKIN URBANIZED AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY for dues in the amount of $672.32, be approved.** On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

RESOLUTION NO. 57-10/11
APPROPRIATING MOTOR FUEL TAX FUNDS

Motion by Council Member Schmidgall, seconded by Council Member Blanchard, that Resolution No. 57-10/11 appropriating $672.32 MFT for PPUATS supplemental dues, **be adopted.** On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COUNCIL

Council Member Blanchard spoke of the success of Relay for Life Event. He wished the community a safe 4th of July and encouraged everyone to thank a veteran on that day.

Council Member Kortkamp expressed appreciation to the Street Department for helping the community recover from the storms by picking up tree branches. She also noted from the Consent Agenda the charitable solicitation approval of a benefit for the Renee and Tim Ellison Family on July 25, 2010.

Mayor Dunn spoke of the large turnout for the Pekin Boat Club event held at the City Event Meadow for the first time. He encourage the public to attend his second "Coffee and Talk with the Mayor" on Saturday, July 10, 2010 from 7:00-9:00 a.m. at the Speak Easy Art Center location 353 Court Street. Next regular Council Meeting July 12, 2010 at 5:30 p.m.

Council Member Strand apologized for missing the Special Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvement meeting.

Council Member Abel encouraged residents to help in their neighborhoods some of the seniors by cleaning up the leaves and limbs from storm damage. He felt less debris in the streets and the sewers would prevent flooding.

Public Property Director Greg Ranney informed the Council and advised the public to remain off the Pier until the flooded river recedes. He also informed the public that Midland Davis was accepting plastics from City recycling numbered 1-7 and all glass at the curbs.

City Manager Dennis Kief welcomed Leigh Ann Matthews in joining the City staff as Economic Development Director. Sarah Newcomb would begin work for the City as Director of Human Resources later in the week.

Bill Fleming Director of the Pekin Area Chamber of Commerce requested the City's help in responding to a call to his office from a gentleman seeking a ride back to Canton following his participation in the Sea to Shining Sea event ride. He also encourage attendance at the Chamber's Annual Fourth of July Fireworks Celebration held for over 60 years.

Leigh Ann Matthews addressed the Council in her role as Main Street Director and announced the events such as the Summer Concert on Court, Cruise Inn, and the Farmers Markets. She expressed appreciation for serving the Downtown and felt it was an honor to serve the whole community as a city employee.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Council Member Schmidgall, seconded by Council Member Blanchard, that the Council move to Executive Session at 7:00 P.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 7:30 P.M.

Sue E. McMillan
City Clerk