
**PROCEEDINGS OF A SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PEKIN, ILLINOIS,
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE CITY HALL
111 SOUTH CAPITOL STREET
ON MONDAY, MAY 15, 2006 AT 5:30 O'CLOCK P.M.
FRANK H. MACKAMAN * MAYOR * PRESIDING**

PRESENT: COMMISSIONERS, MADDOX, BLANCHARD, AND DAGIT

ABSENT: COMMISSIONER JONES

Council received agenda and proper notice was posted on May 11, 2006, of a special meeting to discuss an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Pekin Park District and to present the draft form of the Conceptual Planning for the City.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Mackaman.

Roll was called. Commissioners Blanchard, Maddox and Mayor Mackaman were present for Roll Call and a quorum was declared. Commissioner Dagit entered the meeting at 6:04 p.m.

Motion by Com'r. Blanchard, seconded by Com'r. Maddox that the Agenda be approved as presented. Mayor Mackaman explained that without two of the commissioners present the Conceptual Plan would be become a communications item. Motion was then made by Com'r. Maddox and seconded by Com'r. Blanchard that the Agenda be amended by removing item 1 under New Business and inserting it as item 2 under Communication, Petitions, and Reports. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye. A call for the vote on the Agenda was requested by the Chair. On roll call vote, all present vote Aye and the agenda was approved as amended.

Communications, Petitions, Reports

The Mayor opened discussion of an **Intergovernmental Agreement with the Pekin Park District** for the sale of property in the new section of Riverway Business Park Extension. He felt the special meeting was the opportunity for the Council to ask questions and the Manager to update the Council on the agreement. City Manager Dennis Kief summarized the 10 pages of stipulations for the Park to purchase land, for Herget Bank, N.A. as trustee to hold title, a directive explaining the land trust controlled by a local charitable foundation to be used for youth activities. The City's obligations in the terms of the agreement were for the City to sell 79 acres for \$574,000 by June 15, 2006 and to convey 3 acres to Herget Bank as Trustee at the corner of 5th and Koch Streets.

Mr. Kief expressed appreciation for the outstanding cooperation of Robert Blackwell, Park District Director in the venture that was a win win for both entities. The Park District would gain area for additional soccer fields and the City would not have to consider a buffer for the industrial section from residential 5th Street. Com'r. Maddox questioned the position of a well on the property and was told that the City Code was silent on utilization of wells within the city.

Council was informed that a public hearing was set for Thursday, May 25, 2006 at 5:30 p.m. to receive comments on the proposal.

Com'r. Dagit entered the meeting at 6:04 p.m.

A draft of the **Conceptual Plan** was presented for suggested refinements and improvements. In his absence Com'r. Jones submitted his comments to the City Manager. Each of the concerns or questions were individually addressed. In turn Com'r. Blanchard, Com'r. Maddox and Com'r. Dagit were given the opportunity to comment.

Council was in agreement that the mission, vision and values statements were consistent with the plan and what the Council had aspired to. It was suggested to seek wider range of opinion by making the plan available for comments on the Internet Home Page, the Library, distributed at Service Club meetings, etc.

The Mayor stated he would make the few noted clarifications. Council felt the plan was an excellent means for the manager to then produce the City's operational plan.

It was agreed to place the Conceptual Plan on the June 12th Council Agenda for formal approval.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COUNCIL

Chrity Brimfield 705 South 3rd Street addressed Council regarding her concerns that her daughter had been exposed to nudity in their residential area. The Mayor confirmed that the concerns would be addressed at the next Council meeting after the Police Chief was available to review reports with the Manager.

Reporters from the *Pekin Daily Time* were given the opportunity to ask questions.

No further business to come before the Council, Mayor Mackaman adjourned the meeting.

COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 6:38 P.M.

Sue E. McMillan
City Clerk