
**PROCEEDINGS OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PEKIN, ILLINOIS,
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
111 SOUTH CAPITOL STREET
PEKIN, ILLINOIS 61554
ON MONDAY, MAY 9, 2016 AT 5:30 O'CLOCK P.M.
JOHN MCCABE, MAYOR PRESIDING**

PRESENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS, DUNN, GOLDEN, ORRICK, RITCHASON, ABEL, LUFT AND MCCABE

ABSENT: NONE

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

Roll was called and all Council Members were present. A quorum was declared.

AGENDA

Motion by Council Member Golden, seconded by Council Member Ritchason that the agenda be amended and then approved by removing under New Business 9.3 Renewal of Contract with the Pekin Housing Authority for the Rehab Coordinator Position; from Consent Agenda remove 7.2 Resolution No. 24-16/17 Annual Appointments 2016-2017 and 7.4 Midwest Computer Products, Inc. Proposal and place under New Business as new 9.3 and 9.4. On roll call vote, Ayes, Orrick, Luft, Dunn, Abel, Ritchason and McCabe; Nay Golden. Motion Carried.

MINUTES

Motion by Council Member Luft, seconded by Council Member Orrick that the **minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of April 25, 2016 be approved as written**. On roll call vote all present voted Aye.

PUBLIC INPUT

Bob Bramham spoke in opposition of approving additional expenses in the airport budget for the agreement before them. He felt the airport should be shut down if not in the black.

Ann Witzig questioned the expenses at the airport and voiced concern regarding some of the items found in the expenditure reports on line.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Council Member Ritchason, seconded by Council Member Orrick that the **CONSENT AGENDA be approved as now presented**. The following was read and presented by Mayor McCabe for consideration of the Consent Agenda items by Omnibus Vote.

7.1 Receive and File Monthly Reports and Minutes: Police Department February and March Reports; Electrical April Report; Tazewell County Animal Control April Report; and Liquor Commission Minutes dated April 28, 2016.		5
7.3 Proclamations: "Municipal Clerks Week" May 1-7, 2016 "National Public Works Week" May 15-21, 2016		5

On roll call vote all present voted Aye.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion by Council Member Dunn, seconded by Council Member Orrick that the **DESIGN SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH HANSON ENGINEERING /IDOT C15-4446** for the project to replace taxiway lighting and associated electrical regulator in an amount not to exceed \$76,348.00, be approved. City Engineer Michael Guerra advised the Council that the useful life of the lighting per federal standards was 20 years and had far ben exceeded with some components dating to approximately 40 years. Emergency repair costs were between \$5,000 and \$10,000 in FY 15 when the airport decided to abandon further maintenance and instead plan and program this project with the FAA and the DOA. LED technologies would be utilized in the proposed replacement and would reduce electrical and maintenance costs. The agreement included

preliminary, design, and construction engineering and planning/special services engineering. The money would be programmed through IDOT's Division of Aeronautics Airport Improvement Program in which the City would be reimbursed 95% of the cost. Therefore the City's total cost was \$3,817.40. Airport Manager Clayton Stambaugh spoke to the Council Members in regards to the issues and concerns that were voiced in Public Input time when Ann Witzig addressed the Council with expenditures at the facility. Council Member Golden spoke in nonsupport of continued non-profitable expenses at a "honeycomb hideout" for a select few at the taxpayers' expense. He reminded the Council that accepting the funding extends the operation of the airport. Council Member Dunn applauded the proactive, long-term planning of staff and the City for a piece of infrastructure beneficial for our area and region. Council Member Luft spoke of his support to keep up the maintenance and that the 95% share made financial sense. Council Member Orrick requested that a comparison of Galesburg airport leases, rates, fees, and charges be prepared. On roll call vote, Ayes, Orrick, Luft, Dunn, Abel, Ritchason and McCabe; Nay Golden. Motion Carried.

Motion by Council Member Orrick, seconded by Council Member Abel that the **REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL AND QUOTE FOR WEBSITE RE-DESIGN** in the amount of \$28,700.00 1st year with annual maintenance of \$5,900.00 thereafter from **REVIZE SOFTWARE SYSTEMS** be approved. Interim City Manager Sarah Newcomb presented the recommendation of the Technology Committee to accept the quote of Revize after discussing 6 proposals received. She advise the Council that the present website's aging design with content largely outdated was at issue. The current site map did not adequately serve the City's current services, makeshift locations had been added to offer Financial Transparency, E-pay and Springbrook, the GIS department mapping and Tourism were completely removed due to functionality issues, key features like "contact us" and search do not work consistently. The solution was a website development firm specializing in Government and Municipal websites. Additional advantages was their website design could integrate with social media, Accella, U-Stream and could build forms, notifications system and email blasts. Council Members generally discussed comparison of other municipalities, user friendliness, software updates, streaming and spoke in support of a better website. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Motion by Council Member Golden seconded by Council Member Ritchason that **MIDWEST COMPUTER PRODUCTS, INC. PROPOSAL IN RESPONSE TO RFP FOR CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS VIDEO PROJECTION, PRESENTATION AND BROADCAST EQUIPMENT UPGRADE** be received and filed for discussion. Council was advised the City received 1 response for the Chamber A/V upgrades. The mcp proposal was for \$90,758.22 to upgrade video recording, playback, projection of presentations and audio upgrades. Options offered to increase view ability in the chamber for both Council and attendees, control system that would allow initiation of presentations from designated positions such as the Mayor or Manager brought the total to \$122,825.11. Based on the limited budget availability and cost to viewer ratio the Technology Committee did not recommend moving forward at this time. Interim City Manager Sarah Newcomb questioned how important viewing Council meetings live was to them. She asked their opinion of options that may be cheaper such as streaming meetings to a web service like U-Stream. Council. Discussion followed with Council Members regarding the Capital Fund money and what funds would be available after the payments for Hecker Court, Parkway Drive, and 4th Street. Dave Hess of the Technology Committee addressed the questions of Council regarding the present camera issues and audio replay. He explained the quality lost in compressing 3-4 hour meetings, streaming verses live, and matters of good sound and good video. It was suggested by Council to involve the high school. Council Member Abel proposed that the video gaming revenue be earmarked to pay for upgrades.

RESOLUTION NO. 24-16/17 **ANNUAL APPOINTMENTS**

Motion by Council Member Golden, seconded by Council Member Ritchason that Resolution No. 24-16/17 be adopted. The resolution named persons appointed by the Mayor with consent of the Council to Committees, Boards, and Commissions for terms beginning with the new fiscal year. Council Member Golden noted an appointee and expressed his concern that it was an embarrassment to appoint an obvious Code violator. On roll call vote, Ayes, Orrick, Dunn, Abel, Ritchason and McCabe; Nays Golden and Luft. Motion Carried.

OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COUNCIL

The public was given the opportunity to bring forward and issues, matters of concern, comments and questions. The following people addressed the Council:

Bob Bramham requested copy of final Budget not on the City website.

Jim Mangan suggested community survey be mailed.

Larry Wolfer concern with Wastewater Treatment Plant expenses and displeasure with increased wastewater fees.

Ann Witzig encouraged Council to consider removal of Corporation Counsel.

Council Members were given the opportunity to bring forward comments.

Council Member Orrick requested at June meeting to set a budget policy and to begin the next fiscal year budget in October. Status of RFP's for Recruitment Services - City Manager to be returned May 20, 2016.

Council Member Golden presented his correction to the City Code Title 1, Chapter 8H Corporation Counsel and requested it be discussed at the next meeting and redefined in ordinance form for Business item the following meeting. Voiced his displeasure that the issue of the dumpster at 14th and Willow Street was not being enforced as a code violation. The property was zoned business and it is not a construction site.

Council Member Dunn was advised when questioning the status of the efficiency study that the Council Members had conducted their interviews, some employees were interviewed, and questionnaires had been sent to all employees for their responses.

Council Member expressed that it was disturbing to receive a FOIA request for all of his emails.

Council Member Abel asked the staff to correct the public's statements that the City owned large amounts of property in the City of Pekin.

Mayor McCabe noted several special recognitions for National Honor Society students, winner in the Congressional Art Contest, activities at the Performing Arts Studio, Comcast interaction with Boys and Girls Club, TAPS Wine and Dine fundraiser.

He distributed options that had been presented to the Liquor Commission in regards to controlling the number of gaming establishments. He asked for council Members to respond to him with their input.

No further business to come before the Council, motion by Council Member Ritchason, seconded by Council Member Orrick, that Council adjourn. Motion carried viva voce. Mayor McCabe adjourned the meeting.

COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 8:20 P.M.

Sue E. McMillan
City Clerk