
**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 APRIL 9, 2007 AT 5:30 O'CLOCK P.M.
FRANK H. MACKAMAN * MAYOR * PRESIDING**

PRESENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS, BLANCHARD, JONES, AND MADDOX

ABSENT: NONE

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

Roll was called and all Council Members were present.

Mayor Mackaman explained that Council Member Dagit was not called for roll because his resignation was effective April 9, 2007.

The Mayor also indicated that New Business item 2. awarding the bid for the Annual Street Maintenance was removed from the agenda. Staff was not prepared to give a recommendation until the materials were tested that the low bidder proposed to use for the sealcoat. He told Council and the audience that they could speak to the issue at the end of the meeting.

Agenda

Motion by Council Member Blanchard, seconded by Council Member Maddox, that the **agenda be approved**. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Minutes

Mayor Mackaman explained to Council that the minutes for April 3, 2007 before them for approval contained the correction that Council Member Dagit was present.

Motion by Council Member Blanchard, seconded by Council Member Maddox, that the **Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of March 26, 2007, the Special SBA Candidate Forum of March 27, 2007, and the Special Library/Times Candidate Forum and Debate of April 3, 2007 corrected to reflect Council Member Dagit present, be approved as written**. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Public Input on Agenda Items

Jason Juchems, 1111 South 9th Street, questioned the permit fee for stormwater pollution prevention plans. Mr. Juchems was advised that it was the utility's responsibility for permitting a project based on the square footage found in the Stormwater Code Ordinance.

Consent Agenda

Mayor Mackaman presented and read the following items under Consent Agenda.

Motion by Council Member Maddox, seconded by Council Member Blanchard, that the Consent Agenda be **approved as presented**.

1. **Receive and File Reports and Minutes:** Police Department Report for March, Inspections Department Minutes Dated March 21, 2007, and Traffic Safety Minutes Dated March 30, 2007
2. **Proclamation: "National Library Week" April 15-21, 2007**
3. **Receive and File Annual Street Maintenance Bids**
*The City budgets \$900,000 for annual street maintenance. The City received 2 bids.
Action to be taken under New Business.*
4. **Receive and File Insight Communication regarding channels changes.**

On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Communications, Petitions, Reports
MONTHLY DEPARTMENT REPORT

Director of the Pekin Public Library, Jeff Brooks defined the role of the Library in the community and how the department serves the City educationally and financially. In a powerpoint presentation he reported to Council on facts such as number of employees, revenues, and expenditures for the building improvement project. He then announced the slate of events scheduled for the celebration of National Library Week April 15-21, 2007. Mayor Mackaman presented "National Library Week proclamation to Jeff Brooks.

RENTAL PROPERTY REGISTRATION ORDINANCE

Mayor Frank Mackaman presented his comments in respect to the proposed Property Registration Ordinance. From a prepared statement he told Council and the public that the City of Pekin has a rental property problem. The Inspections Department lacked the most basic tool, information about who owns the property. In essence the proposal would require owners of rental property to register and provide contact information. He indicated his comments were intended to dispel misconceptions on development of the ordinance. He retold the chronology to point out that the quality of life issue was a high priority in Conceptual Planning and there were opportunities for input all along the way. He spoke of the benefits to the City and the benefits to the landlords. He told Council his observations were for Council to consider before formal action would be taken at the April 23 Council meeting.

New Business

ORDINANCE NO. 2920-06/07
AMENDING TITLE 4, CHAPTER 5 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF PEKIN 1995
REGARDING STORM WATER AND EROSION CONTROL

Motion by Council Member Maddox, seconded by Council Member Blanchard, that Ordinance No. 2920-06/07 be adopted. Public Works Director recommended to Council the change in regards to the new requirements of the Clean Water Act pertaining to storm water. He advised Council that the City Code needed revising to reflect the latest guidelines and requirements in order to comply with the State of Illinois National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES). The code specifically covered the requirements for storm water retention and the methods of erosion control similar to the State of Illinois Code. Mr. Wuellner told Council the revisions addressed the issues of illicit connections, illegal discharges, and enforcement.

Council Member Maddox explained that he wished to make several small language changes to the proposed ordinance. Council Member Maddox then moved and Council Member Blanchard seconded that Ordinance No. 2920-06/07 be amended by adding the following language under:

4-5-2 DEFINITIONS Adjacent Lands add: streets, or bodies of water

Track-out add: tire or tracks of vehicles and equipment

4-5-4 STANDARDS D. delete: track-out or dust from any development

add: onto adjacent lands is strictly prohibited and must be cleaned as soon as possible

4-5-8 DISCHARGE PROHIBITIONS A. 3. add: but requires a written notification

C. add: the proposed termination in writing

4-5-9 EROSION CONTROLS a. 3. add: provide for reasonable dust control measures to reduce

On roll call vote all present voted Aye.

Vote was called for on the adoption of the Ordinance. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

RESOLUTION NO. 193-06/07
RESOLUTION EVIDENCING THE INTENTION OF THE CITY OF PEKIN,
TAZEWELL COUNTY, ILLINOIS, TO ISSUE SINGLE FAMILY MORTGAGE REVENUE
BONDS AND RELATED MATTERS

Motion by Council Member Jones, seconded by Council Member Maddox, that the Resolution No. 193-06/07 be adopted. Community Development Director Pamela Anderson updated Council on the Assist Program sponsored

by the State of Illinois, which offered families the opportunity to buy their own home by issuing tax-exempt revenue bonds. She indicated the bonds were not a debt of the municipalities. Funds are provided for closing costs and down payments, enabling families with good credit but little extra capital to buy their first home. She reported that from March 2006 to present, the program had assisted ninety purchases of homes in the City of Pekin. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Motion by Council Member Jones, seconded by Council Member Maddox, that the **INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH TAZEVELL COUNTY TO PROVIDE FUEL FOR DEPARTMENT VEHICLES BE APPROVED.** Council was advised by City Manager Dennis Kief that the County Probation, Coroner, State's Attorney, Zoning, and Maintenance vehicles stationed in Pekin would have the ability with the proper identification pass to get gas at the City's Service Center on Koch Street. The County vehicles would be filled at the current rate plus \$0.05 / gallon, which covered the City's administration overhead. Council Member Maddox spoke in supported of the agreement. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COUNCIL

Mayor Mackaman announced there would be a Candidate for Election Forum on Wednesday, April 11, 2007 6:00 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall. He encouraged everyone to vote on Tuesday, April 17, 2007. The Mayor then announced the government campus Open House on Sunday, April 15, 2007. The County Justice Center, McKenzie Building, Court House, City Hall, the Library, and City vehicles/equipment would be open for display.

Council Member Jones requested that after 30 plus years since annexation that attention be given to Pekin Heights maintenance. He recognized the Moose organization in their efforts to bring a series of weekend bowling tournaments to the City. The event provided over 500 "heads in beds," increased sales tax, and gas tax revenues.

Council Member Blanchard gave a reminder of the Special Council Meeting for the purpose of walking Derby Street. Officials would view the Southside business and residential area as a proposed Tax Increment Finance District on Tuesday, April 12, 2007 @ 5:30 p.m.

Council Members requested that Daryl Dagit join them at the dais. Council Members then presented a displayed City of Pekin flag and gavel to Mayor Mackaman in recognition of the time he served as Mayor .

Motion by Council Member Jones, seconded by Council Member Blanchard, that Council move to Executive Session at 6:20 P.M. to discuss Personnel – Performance of a specific employee of the public body 5 ILCS 120/2 (c.) 1. , Selection of a person to fill a vacancy in a public office 5 ILCS 120/2 (c.) 3. , and Sale of Real Estate 5 ILCS 120/2 (c.) 6. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Council returned to open session at 6:52 p.m.

Mayor Mackaman read from a prepared statement his comments concerning his decision to fulfill statutory responsibility and appoint a replacement to the Council. He stated he could have used the circumstances of the election on April 17 to decline that decision. He gave his reasons for proposing to name Sue Ann Kortkamp to fill the vacancy. He felt by acting now, having a qualified person available served the City best. With the advice and consent of Council, motion was made by Mayor Mackaman and seconded by Council Member Maddox that Sue Ann Kortkamp be appointed to the office of Council Member to fill the unexpired term of former Council Member Daryl Dagit. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

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

COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 7:00 P.M.

Sue E. McMillan
City Clerk