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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, MARCH 8, 2010 AT 5:30 O'CLOCK P.M. RUSTY L. DUNN, MAYOR PRESIDING

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

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS KORTKAMP AND BLANCHARD

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

Roll was called and all Council Members were present except Council Members Kortkamp and Blanchard. A quorum was present.

AGENDA

Motion by Council Member Barra, seconded by Council Member Strand, that **the agenda be 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 February 22, 2010 be approved as written.** On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

PUBLIC INPUT ON AGENDA ITEMS

Steve Moore, 2010 Westgate, questioned if the purchase of a new backhoe/loader was necessary regarding new business item 3.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Council Member Schmidgall, seconded by Council Member Strand, that the Consent Agenda be approved as presented. Mayor Dunn presented the following for consideration of the Consent Agenda items by Omnibus Vote. He noted that the School District 108 program for elementary students to write their own books was dear to his heart. He was proud to pay special recognition to young writers and proclaim the Young Authors Week in the City.

1. **Receive and File Monthly Reports and Minutes:** Building and Inspections Department February Reports, Fire Department February Report, and Tazewell County Animal Control February Report.
2. **Proclamation:** "Young Authors Week" Week of March 22nd, 2010
3. **Resolution No. 36-09/10 -** Publication of Zoning Map.
4. **Resolution No. 37-09/10 –** Mayor's Appointment of James Kolzow to the Mayor's Advisory Committee with Persons with Disabilities to fill the unexpired term of Dick Berger until the first Monday in May, 2011.

On roll call vote, all present voted Ayes.

COMMUNICATIONS PRESENTATION

Public Hearing was opened by Mayor Dunn at 5:35 p.m. Pam Anderson, Community Development Director presented information on Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) dollars received from the department of Housing and Urban Development on an annual basis and the requirement for completion of the 2010-2014 Consolidated Action Plan and 2010 Action Plan. The plan states the needs, priorities and plans for the upcoming 5 fiscal years 2010-2014 and the Action Plan on the upcoming Yearly Action Plan. She reported the funds would be used to provide decent housing, suitable living environments, and expand economic opportunities principally for low-moderate income persons.

A breakdown of the project objectives such as home rehabilitation, seal coating, code enforcement, funding agencies through United Way. The public was given the opportunity to comment on the objectives and past performance of the Plan. The Hearing was closed at 5:39 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion by Council Member Strand, seconded by Council Member Abel, that the **2010-2014 CONSOLIDATED ACTION PLAN, be approved.** Council Members directed questions to the Community Development Director such as the determination of United Way in appropriated funds, the allocated dollars to seal coating of low to moderate income populated streets, and the 100% percentage of total budgeted funds. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Motion by Council Member Strand, seconded by Council Member Barra, that the **2010 ACTION PLAN FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT ENTITLEMENT, be approved.** On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Motion by Council Member Abel, seconded by Council Member Barra, that the **PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH ALTORFER, INC. FOR BACKHOE/LOADER MACHINES in the amount of $115,615.00, be approved.** Public Works Director Joe Wuellner informed the Council that for years the Street Department rented a piece of equipment at low rates but the process had changed with rental rate an additional $800. He recommended an offer from Altofer Cat to purchase a new backhoe at ½ the list price and retain the current machine valued at $70,000, for $27,820 to be used at the waste water treatment plant. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COUNCIL

Mayor Dunn advised Council Members that the FY 2010 Budget and the Code of Conduct for Council Members would be presented at the March 22nd meeting for adoption and encouraged review and input in advance of the meeting.

Council Member Stand promoted the Children's Advocacy Center's Trivia Fundraiser night on April 16 and challenged the audience to form teams.

Council Member Abel urged the public to complete the Census that would be in residents mail next week. He noted proper count was important to the City's funding.

Fire Chief Kurt Nelson encouraged all to purchase tickets for the Firefighters Ball on March 27, 2010.

Resident Steve Moore appreciated the cooperation that he heard exist between the departments in sharing equipment.

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

COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 5:55 P.M.

Sue E. McMillan
City Clerk