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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 THE CITY HALL
ON MONDAY, MARCH 8, 1999, AT 5:30 O'CLOCK P.M.
R. DAVID TEBBEN * MAYOR * PRESIDING

PRESENT: COMMISSIONERS, BARRA, JONES AND RICHMOND

ABSENT: COMMISSIONERS, ORRICK

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

Roll was called and all Commissioners were present except Commissioner Orrick.

Agenda
Motion by Com'r. Richmond, seconded by Com'r. Barra, that the **Agenda be approved as presented.** On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Motion by Com'r. Richmond, seconded by Com'r. Barra, that the **Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of February 23, 1999 be approved as written**. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Consent Agenda
Motion by Com'r. Richmond, seconded by Com'r. Barra, that the **Consent Agenda be approved** as presented.

1. Resolution No. 390 - Approving Payroll No. 5 for pay period ending 02/20/99 in the amount of $294,317.97; and Claim Schedule dated 02/05/99 in the amount of $147,742.79

2. Proclamation: "Crop Walk Week" April 10-17, 1999

3. Receive and File National Arbor Day Foundation/Pekin 1998 Tree City USA

Mayor Tebben pointed out that the City of Pekin had been designated Tree City USA for at least the 9th consecutive year. He asked that the City remain committed to the program and that staff inform Council what projects are contemplated for the coming year. On roll call vote all present voted Aye.

Communications, Petitions, Reports
Jim Moore, New Marketing Development Representative from Zimmerman Investment L.L.C. was unable to attend the meeting. A senior-housing apartment complex in the downtown was not discussed.

Jim Ash of Clark Engineers MW, Inc. was in attendance to answer any questions regarding the **TYPE/COST REPORT OF THE PIER PROJECT**. He had previously distributed for Council's review, that outline of all of the pier concepts and their various alternatives. He requested the project committee be given direction on making a decision on a preferred concept. Major components of the concepts, fixed or floating, and advantages of the bridge concept with the ability to add a platform (plaza) area were discussed. A general plan of action was determined for submittal of the half million-dollar project for grants with possible construction beginning spring of 2000.

Mayor Tebben opened a **PUBLIC HEARING** at 5:50 p.m. to provide an opportunity to comment on the proposed FY 1999 Community Development Block Grant Action Plan (CDBG). Planning and Development Director Ed Basch noted the Council had been briefed on the parameters of the application to be submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and the intended use of the funds. No questions or input had been received during the 30-day review period from Council or the community. The hearing was closed at 5:51 p.m.

New Business
Motion by Com'r. Barra, seconded by Com'r. Richmond, that the **PREFERRED CONCEPT C 1 ALSO USING ELEMENTS OF THE PLAZA FROM A 1 OF THE PIER PROJECT** be approved. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

RESOLUTION NO. 391

AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF THE FISCAL YEAR 1999 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT ACTION PLAN

Motion by Com'r. Barra, seconded by Com'r. Richmond, that Resolution No. 391 be adopted. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

RESOLUTION NO. 392

AMENDING THE PERSONNEL POLICY OF THE CITY OF PEKIN REGARDING SICK LEAVE

Motion by Com'r. Barra, seconded by Com'r. Richmond, that Resolution No. 392 be adopted. City Manager Hierstein stated the resolution proposes an option for City employees to convert unused accumulated sick leave into an account for payment of health insurance premiums upon retirement. He explained it was an attempt to address the situation that insurance cost sometimes keeps employees from retiring at the proper time and would encourage employees not to abuse sick days. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

ORDINANCE NO. 2146/OA

AMENDING ARTICLE 9, CHAPTERS 6A, 6C AND 7C BEING THE ZONING CODE REGARDING BUILDINGS FOR INCARCERATION

Motion by Com'r. Jones, seconded by Com'r. Richmond, that Ordinance No. 2146/OA be adopted. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Other Business

Public Works Director Denny Kief proposed taking a bus trip to view current and future City Projects. It was agreed to set the 2-3 hour tour of projects such as Veterans Drive Corridor, Mall Road Intersection, Sewer Treatment Plant, improvements contained in the 5 Year Street Maintenance Program, for the fifth Monday in March instead of using that date to continue discussion of the Retreat topics. It was suggested the press attend and that tour be video taped for community coverage.

Reporters from the *Peoria Journal Star,* the *Pekin Daily Times* and news media stations were given the opportunity to ask questions.

Motion by Com'r. Jones, seconded by Com'r. Richmond that Council move to **Executive Session** at 6:10 p.m. to discuss Sale of Real Estate, Acquisition of Real Estate and Collective Bargaining. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Motion by Com'r. Jones, seconded Com'r. Richmond that Council **adjourn**. Motion carried by voice vote.

COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 7:15 P.M.

Sue E. McMillan
City Clerk