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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, FEBRUARY 25, 2008 AT 5:30 O'CLOCK P.M.
R. DAVID TEBBEN * MAYOR * PRESIDING

PRESENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS, ABEL, BLANCHARD, JONES, KORTKAMP, STRAND, AND DUNN

ABSENT: NONE

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

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

Agenda
Motion by Council Member Abel, seconded by Council Member Strand, that the **agenda be approved as presented.** On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Motion by Council Member Abel, seconded by Council Member Dunn, that the **minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of February 11, 2008, Special Meeting of February 13, 2008, and the Council Training Session of February 18, 2008 be approved as written.** On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Consent Agenda
Motion by Council Member Kortkamp, seconded by Council Member Blanchard, that the Consent Agenda be approved as presented.
Mayor Tebben read and presented the following for consideration of the Consent Agenda items by Omnibus Vote.

1. **Receive and File Monthly Reports and Minutes:** Airport Minutes Dated February 13, 2008

2. **Approve Proclamation: "Read with Your Child Week" February 29 – March 7, 2008**

3. **Receive and File 2007 Police Department Annual Report**

4. **Receive and File Bids CDBG 2007 ADA Sidewalk Project Various Locations Opened February 8, 2008**

5. **Receive and File Planning Commission Minutes Dated February 13, 2008**

6. **Receive and File Pekin Planning Commission Hearings and Recommendations:**
    a. Hearing #08-1757 - recommends to approve the Preliminary Plat for Deerfield #5 and zoning of R-2 pending annexation
    b. Hearing #08-1758 – recommends to approve the Preliminary Plat for Lick Creek Manor Subd
    Ext #2 provided the City would accept dedication from Birch Street to Ashland Lane
    c. Hearing #08-1759 – recommends to approve the re-zoning for Tazwood Mental Health Center
    property located at 3246 Vandever from B-3 to B-1
    d. Hearing #08-1760 – recommends to approve the Site Plan and Special Use request for a Daycare at 423 Charles Street
    e. Hearing #08-1761 – recommends to approve the zoning assignment of 1519 California Rd from County zoning A-1 to City zoning R-1

On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS, REPORTS

CITY LINK UPDATE

Director of Transportation Greg Ranney introduced representatives from Greater Peoria Mass Transit Tom Licek and John Stokowski. The General Manager informed Council of the status of City Link bus service for the City of Pekin. March 3, 2008 changes to routes and stops were discussed. He noted that buses go off their route for ADA eligible riders and that a route was moved further south to accommodate the needs of those patrons. Transfers routes to Peoria were reviewed from a handout. Council Members expressed some concern that Pekin riders would be waiting longer at the Court House stop. Suggestion was also made for trips to the businesses in the Mall area and some weekend provisions. Bob Barnes and Neva Farson 273 Koch Street asked questions of the representatives regarding Saturday and Sunday operation and over lap of time in transferring busses.

New Business

RESOLUTION NO. 32-07/08

PRELIMINARY PLAT LICK CREEK MANOR SUBDIVISION EXTENSION 2

Motion by Council Member Blanchard, seconded by Council Member Jones, that Resolution No. 32-07/08 be adopted with the dedication of Birch Street Right of Way to Ashwood Lane be accepted. It was noted that the correct name of the street in the subdivision was Ashwood not Ashland. Public Works Director Joe Wuellner advised Council that it was the recommendation of the Pekin Planning Commission to approve the general layout and plan for the 31 lot subdivision. Original recommendation of PPC Hearing 07-1753 to approve was denied November 26, 2007 by the Council in Resolution No. 20. The development east of Redwood Drive was resubmitted by Gary Allen & Associates with 2 access points. Council Member Strand indicated it was her philosophy that this subdivision did not need second assess. Council Member Blanchard stated he had discussed the requirements of the subdivision with others and had a different opinion than his original vote to require 2nd access. On roll call vote, Ayes, Jones, Kortkamp, Abel, Dunn, Tebben; Nays, Strand and Blanchard. Motion carried.

Motion by Council Member Blanchard, seconded by Council Member Abel, that the **AMENDMENT TO THE ANNEXATION AGREEMENT FOR BRIAR RIDGE SUBDIVISION** be approved. City Manager Dennis Kief advised that the language on the agreement addressed consistency in the timing of installing sanitary sewers with respect to the construction of Veterans Drive and the installation of a second access point. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

RESOLUTION NO. 33-07/08

PRELIMINARY PLAT BRIAR RIDGE SUBDIVISION

Motion by Council Member Jones, seconded by Council Member Kortkamp, that Resolution No. 33-07/08 be adopted. recommendation of the Pekin Planning Commission to approve the general layout and plan for the first development of the Veterans Drive Investments annexation. The 38 lots are presently zoned Lot 1/B-1; Lot 2/RM-3; Lots 5-13, 16-26/R-1;Lots 3,4,14,15,27-38/RV-1. Hearing 08-1756 was received and filed by Council at the meeting of January 28, 2008. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

ORDINANCE NO. 1568-A170 - 07/08

PROVIDING FOR THE REZONING OF CERTAIN PROPERTY

HARLAN D. BESSLER PIN # 05-05-32-102-013 1519 CALIFORNIA RD

LOT 99 COUNTRY CLUB ESTATES

Motion by Council Member Jones, seconded by Council Member Abel, that Ordinance No. 1568-A170-07/08 be adopted. It was the recommendation of the Planning Commission for a zoning classification from the County zoning A-1 to City zoning R-1. Property was annexed January 8, 2007. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

RESOLUTION NO. 34-07/08

PRELIMINARY PLAT DEERFIELD ESTATES SECTION 5

Motion by Council Member Jones, seconded by Council Member Blanchard, that Resolution No. 34-07/08 be adopted. It was the recommendation of the Pekin Planning Commission to approve the general layout and plan for the 28 lot subdivision at 5th Street and Petri Lane submitted by Marvin Spiczka and Rick Evans. The recommendation from PPC for zoning was R-2 pending Annexation. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

ORDINANCE NO. 1568-A171 - 07/08
PROVIDING FOR THE REZONING OF CERTAIN PROPERTY
TAZWOOD MENTAL HEALTH CENTER

Motion by Council Member Strand, seconded by Council Member Blanchard, that Ordinance No. 1568-A171-07/08 be adopted. The Planning Commission recommended to the Council rezoning of property from B-3 to B-1 located at 3246 Vandever Avenue. Mayor Tebben, with the members' permission, suspended the rules and allowed CEO Michael Polson of the Center to address Council. He reported the corporation would use HUD funds to construct a 15 unit, permanent housing complex for the seriously mentally ill residents of Tazewell County next to their present offices. Council Member Dunn questioned where those targeted individuals were living presently and was told some were homeless under the bridge as indicated by the community's last "Street Sweep." Council Members Blanchard and Abel spoke in support of the proposal. Council Member Jones spoke in regards to the property being taken off the Pekin tax rolls yet the facility would service all of Tazewell County. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Motion by Council Member Dunn, seconded by Council Member Jones, that the **SITE PLAN FOR A HOME DAY CARE AT 423 CHARLES STREET,** be approved. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Motion by Council Member Dunn, seconded by Council Member Jones, that the **SPECIAL USE REQUEST FOR A HOME DAY CARE AT 423 CHARLES STREET ZONED R-4, SUBMITTED BY ANNIE BLOCK,** be approved. Council was advised that the day care was contingent upon Ms Block being issued the state license. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Motion by Council Member Abel, seconded by Council Member Dunn, that the **BID FOR CDBG 2007 ADA SIDEWALK PROJECT** be approved in the amount of $248,194.00 and the contract be awarded to C & G Concrete. Staff recommended approval of the low bid for improvements in various locations opened February 8, 2008. The project would be entirely federally HUD funded. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

RESOLUTION NO. 35-07/08
RESOLUTION FOR MAINTENANCE OF STREETS AND HIGHWAYS

Motion by Council Member Strand, seconded by Council Member Blanchard, that Resolution No. 35-07/08 be adopted. The resolution provided for the appropriation of $500,000 Motor Fuel Tax Funds for seal coating operations based on 5-Yr Street Plan from May 1, 2008-April 30, 2009. MFT funding would be utilized in addition to Street Department budget, and CDBG funds for an $875,000 program. Mayor Tebben noted that the federally funded Community Development Block Grant Program had been cut again which translated into trimming the street project back from $900,000. He expressed concern for the unavailability of revenue sources and warned of the challenges in providing services that would have to be faced. Council Member Jones in regards to the many potholes throughout the City from the worst freeze/thaw winter, noted that the streets holding up were a result of the seal coat process. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Motion by Council Member Kortkamp, seconded by Council Member Jones, that the **AGREEMENT WITH TOTAL PETROLEUM SERVICE CO.** for relocation of a kerosene pump be approved in the amount of $29,150.00. Public Works Director Joe Wuellner advised that the pump at the Marathon Station needed to be moved back from the sidewalk in accordance with acquisition agreement for the Broadway/Parkway intersection project. Council questioned if the business was going to re-open and were informed that it would still need to be moved. Council Member Abel expressed concern that quote was not given to the local company. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Motion by Council Member Blanchard, seconded by Council Member Dunn, that the **TOURISM GRANT REQUEST FROM THE DRAGON'S DOME FOR NSA GIRLS QUALIFIER SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT** be approved in the amount of $2,029.67. A recommendation was made by staff to approve a Visitor's Bureau Grant for 1/3 of the $6,089.00 expenses submitted. On roll call vote, Ayes, Jones, Strand, Kortkamp, Abel, Dunn, and Tebben; Nay, Blanchard. Motion carried.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COUNCIL
Council Member Blanchard encouraged everyone to contact their representatives regarding the request from Ameron/CILCO for increased rates.

Mayor Tebben in referring to the news release that an electronic repair company was going to remain in East Peoria, stated he was proud of the staff in the role they played. Pekin's activity involved working for the regional good in keeping jobs in the area.

Condolences were extended to the family of Robert Monge. Mayor Tebben spoke of the many contributions and services the developer brought to the community prior to his death.

Mike Shane, 1244 Redwood Lane addressed Council regarding issues he had on the one access in and one access out of Lick Creek Manor Subdivision. He stated he lived on the corner from the development and expressed concern that structures on Redwood was experiencing evidence of mine subsidence and water problems.

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

COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 6:30 P.M.

Sue E. McMillan
City Clerk