
**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, JANUARY 14, 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

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

Roll was called and all Council Members were present.

Agenda

Motion by Council Member Strand, seconded by Council Member Kortkamp, that the **agenda be approved as presented**. Mayor Tebben advised it would not be necessary to meet in executive session. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Motion by Council Member Strand, seconded by Council Member Abel, that the **minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of December 10, 2007, Budget Work Sessions November 19, 2007 and December 17, 2007, be approved as written**. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Consent Agenda

Motion by Council Member Strand, seconded by Council Member Dunn, 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. He explained that items under consent did not require expenditure of funds.

1. **Receive and File Monthly Reports and Minutes:** Police Report December, Building Report November
and December, Traffic Safety Committee Minutes January 4, 2008, Liquor Commission Minutes
October 24, 2007, and Airport Commission Minutes December 12, 2007
2. **Adopt Proclamation:** "Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day" January 21, 2008
3. **Approve Charitable Solicitation:** Shade Memorial Youth Camp, Inc. Tag Days
April 25, 26, 27, 2008
4. **Receive and File Groundwater Protection Guardian Designation 2007**
5. **Receive and File notification from Tri-County Regional Planning Commission of
Federal Highway Administration funding of 50% of the \$200,000 project to create a
Regional Transportation, Ecosystem & Land Use Integration Plan**
6. **Adopt Resolution No. 26 B-07/08 - Support of Naming Kriegsman Field at the Pekin
Municipal Airport**
7. **Adopt Resolution No. 27-07/08 – Mayor's reappointment of Ann J. Trumpy to the Pekin
Housing
Authority Board for a 5-year term ending January 14, 2013**

On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Mayor Tebben read and presented Resolution No. 26 B-07/08 to Rich Kriegsman. In recognition of his father's commitment to the City of Pekin, Council voted to support naming the airport Kriegsman Field.

Communications, Petitions, Reports

CITY INSURANCE COMMITTEE

Representatives of the City's Insurance Committee presented a chronology of its formation and accomplishments of the group. Pat Pollock explained with the cost of health care trends skyrocketing, in 2003 City Manager Dick Hierstein invited bargaining units and staff members to participate in seeking solutions and educating plan members. By establishing wellness programs, reviewing claims, and negotiating prices, fix costs and dental remained flat for 2-4 years. Union, Police, Fire representatives and committee members Keith Gleason, Jamie Evans, Tim Gleason and Jeff Little addressed Council on specific MedTrax drug program, managed care, and retiree contribution issue.

PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing was opened at 6:01p.m. by Mayor Tebben to discuss the FY 2009 Budget. City Manager Dennis Kief, in a PowerPoint, presented a summary of steps made to balance the revenues and expenditures for May 1, 2008 to April 30, 2009 from original deficit. He explained cuts in expenditures, delayed projects, and use of fund-specific reserves. Council Member Strand questioned the hiring of 2 new part-time clerks in the Police Department. Council was advised other new employees were postponed until 2010. Council Member Abel questioned if the partially used certificate of deposit would be reinvested.

Mr. Kief advised that the City would face challenges in the next four years. The Illinois Municipal League estimated revenues to municipalities would rise 1 percent and expenditure by 3 percent. Spending to increase because of increased utilities, wages, insurance and mandated state and federal projects.

There were no other comments received. Mayor Tebben closed the hearing at 6:17 p.m.

Unfinished Business

Mayor Tebben asked that Council give consideration to placing an unfinished business item amending the zoning code for regulating parking in front yards back on the table. He anticipated that action to take place at the next meeting for housekeeping purposes to dispose of from the agenda by denial or adoption.

New Business

RESOLUTION NO. 28-07/08 **A RESOLUTION ADOPTING**

THE FISCAL YEAR MAY 1, 2008 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2009 BUDGET

Motion by Council Member Kortkamp, seconded by Council Member Jones, that Resolution No. 28-07/08 be adopted. Council Member Blanchard read from a prepared statement his non-support of adopting the budget. He indicated the balanced budget was reached after putting off expenses and problems stated for 2010, 2011, 2012, and 2013 budgets. He felt it was not responsible in balancing a budget by increasing revenue projects and not looking at reductions in expenses. Mayor Tebben asked if Council Member Blanchard would like to make amendments to the budget. No amendments were heard. On roll call vote, Ayes, Jones, Strand, Kortkamp, Abel, Dunn, and Tebben; Nay, Blanchard. Motion Carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 2545-07/08 **AMENDING TITLE 3, CHAPTER 3, SECTION 4 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY** **OF PEKIN 1995 REGARDING LIQUOR CONTROL**

Motion by Council Member Kortkamp, seconded by Council Member Blanchard, that Ordinance No. 2545-07/08 be adopted. Corporation Counsel Burt Dancy advised Council that as recommended by the Liquor Commission the amendment was a clarification of restriction on issuance of license where motor fuel was sold. Mayor Tebben expressed concern to language "not limited to" in respect to a present licensee he felt was not in compliance. He then recommended that the Liquor Commission continue to review. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

ORDINANCE NO. 2546-07/08
AMENDING TITLE 3, CHAPTER 3, SECTION 1 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY
OF PEKIN 1995 REGARDING LIQUOR CONTROL

Motion by Council Member Kortkamp, seconded by Council Member Abel, that Ordinance No. 2546-07/08 be adopted. Attorney Dancey also explained to Council the second amendment to the Liquor Code clarified manager of an establishment by adding the definition to the code. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

CITY OF PEKIN POLICY NO. 15-07/08 - WASTEWATER OCTOBER BILLING

Motion by Council Member Jones, seconded by Council Member Abel, that Policy No. 15-07/08 be adopted and the City Manager be authorized to prepare the necessary application. Mr. Kief advised Council of a policy set and the application process for account adjustment to the 2008 winter averaging program where water bills are based on the usage October through April. October 2007 was extremely dry. Council Member Blanchard expressed concern that the policy reversed the position of the Council on discounting wastewater bills. Council Members generally discussed the number of expected adjustments, the criteria and steps for applying. On roll call vote, Ayes, Jones, Strand, Dunn, Abel, and Tebben; Nays, Blanchard and Kortkamp. Motion Carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 1462-A268 – 07/08
AMENDING TITLE 8, CHAPTER 4, SECTION 1
OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF PEKIN 1995
REGARDING PARKING ON SNOW EMERGENCY ROUTES

Motion by Council Member Jones, seconded by Council Member Dunn, that Ordinance No. 1462-A268-07/08 be adopted. Superintendent of Streets David Pagliaro informed Council that the amendment was a scribe's correction to clarify that it would not take 2 inches of ice before a snow ban could be called. Mr. Pagliaro addressed Council Member Strand's questions on snow emergency routes and snow bans. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Motion by Council Member Dunn, seconded by Council Member Abel, that the **AGREEMENT WITH MAUER-STUTZ FOR ENGINEERING SUPPORT OF BROADWAY-PARKWAY INTERSECTION PROJECT** be approved in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00. Public Works Director Joe Wuellner explained that if needed the agreement provides for the construction support on the Broadway-Parkway Intersection Project. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

RESOLUTION NO. 29 – 07/08
ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
RESOLUTION FOR IMPROVEMENT BY MUNICIPALITY
UNDER THE ILLINOIS HIGHWAY CODE 00-00164-00-EG

Motion by Council Member Dunn, seconded by Council Member Kortkamp, that Resolution No. 29-07/08 authorizing \$10,000.00 Motor Fuel Tax Funds be adopted. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Motion by Council Member Dunn, seconded by Council Member Blanchard, that the **INTERGOVERNMENTAL ANIMAL CONTROL AGREEMENT WITH TAZEWEEL COUNTY** in the amount of \$41,470.00 be approved. Mayor Tebben advised Council that he discussed with the County the double billing concerns of Council and was informed that animal control was not levied in tax bills. Staff had analyzed dollars for providing the service and would continue to assess and discuss with County administration the annual contract to pick up stray animals. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION GRANT
CONTRACT NUMBER 3671 GRANT NUMBER OP-08-09-IL.

Motion by Council Member Blanchard, seconded by Council Member Abel, that the **CONTRACT WITH ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO RECEIVE FUNDS FOR THE OPERATION OF THE CITY BUS SERVICE** in the amount of \$262,802.00 be approved. Director of

Transportation Greg Ranney explained that the application and authorizing Resolution No. 17-07/08 for the grant was presented to Council in October 22, 2007 meeting. The agreement before the Council was the execution of receiving the funds for the contract with CityLink. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Motion by Council Member Blanchard, seconded by Council Member Strand, that the **COMMUNITY EVENT GRANT APPLICATION FROM WINTER WONDERLAND** for the Christmas Festival events be approved in the amount of \$500.00. The request for Visitors Bureau funding was received and satisfactory final expenses submitted for an amount not to exceed 50% of total cost or \$500.00. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

ORDINANCE NO. 2547-07/08
AMENDING TITLE 1, CHAPTER 5, SECTION 3 F. OF THE CODE OF THE CITY
OF PEKIN 1995 REGARDING CITY COUNCIL

Motion by Council Member Blanchard, seconded by Council Member Jones, that Ordinance No. 2547-07/08 be adopted. The amendment presented was a bookkeeping change to the Administration Title of the Code to reflect the action of the Council in adopting Resolution 22 providing for the selection of Mayor Pro-Tem by appointment. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Motion by Council Member Abel, seconded by Council Member Dunn, that the **INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR POLICE PROTECTION SERVICES WITH THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF PEKIN**, be approved. Council was told that the agreement with PHA provided protection of residents by uniformed, off-duty police officers. Rates for annual renewal between the months of February through January remained at \$25.00 per hour. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Motion by Council Member Abel, seconded by Council Member Strand, that the **SCHEDULE OF MEETING DATES**, be approved. Council approved each of the regular meeting dates for upcoming 2008 months two of which were Tuesdays because of the Monday holiday as provided in the Code. The schedule of Commissions, Boards and Committees meeting dates, times places would be posted as required by statutes. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COUNCIL

The following general announcements were made by Council Members and Manager:

Jones commended the manager and staff on the job completed on the Budget

Blanchard extended recognition to the City employed janitors for their work

Dunn reminded community of the breakfast to honor Martin Luther King to be held on Saturday, January 19, 2008 at Edison School.

Kief commended Joe Yavorshak for a report from the Sewer Treatment Plant that there were zero excursions in 2007.

Kief drew Council attention to the fact that under Consent Agenda the City was awarded the Ground Water Guardian designation for the 12th straight year.

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

Council did not meet in Executive Session.

No further business to come before the Council, **MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER BLANCHARD, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER KORTKAMP TO ADJOURN.** Motion carried by Voice Vote.

COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 7:00 P.M.

Sue E. McMillan
City Clerk