

STREET & SEWER COMMITTEE

July 26, 2012

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Alderman Walters
Alderman Dorchinecz
Alderman Heberling
Alderman Koonce

ALSO PRESENT:

Mayor Brotherton
Superintendent Wiseman
Alderman Lawrence
Alderman Burtle
Alderman Jones
Bruce Rahar
Shirley Sams

Frank & Pam Mathon
Charles Delahunt
Patty Hornbuckle
Linda Allen
Jenny Stephens
Sheila & Don Yost
Jerry & Rita Moomey
Gerry Mahr
Marilyn Fisher

Chairman Walters called the meeting to order at 6:08 P.M.

PARKING SPACES ON WEST ADAMS STREET FOR SENIOR CITIZENS

Gerry Mahar, Director of Christian County Senior Citizens Center, and Marilyn Fisher were present to request a sign to designate parking for one of the Senior Citizens Vans. They presented the Committee with a map of the current parking spaces and the proposed parking spaces. They explained that even when the vehicles are parked inside the handicapped spaces the drivers of the vans have a difficult time parking. Their proposal would change the parking of the first two parking spaces west of Shumway to be designated for two vans followed by two handicapped spaces, then the entrance, and then another handicapped space. The spaces are currently two handicapped, van, handicapped then entrance. Superintendent Wiseman advised this would have to be forwarded to the Ordinance Committee to change the current signs to make them enforceable and if additional signs are needed they would have to pay for them. Alderman Jones was in attendance and advised if the Street and Sewer Committee approves of these parking spaces and you have three additional Aldermen in attendance to go ahead and forward to the attorney. Mayor Brotherton advised them the signs could not be placed until after the Ordinance is in place.

Motion by Alderman Dorchinecz and seconded by Alderman Koonce to direct the City Attorney to prepare an Ordinance to amend Section 6-4-3-4 A and 6-4-3-6 to designate the first two parking spaces west of Shumway to be designated for parking of the vans at the Christian County Senior Citizens Center which will change the current Handicapped Parking areas as marked on the map as requested. Motion carried 4-0.

BLOCK OFF SOUTH MAIN FOR ST. MARY'S CHURCH PARISH FIESTA

Motion by Alderman Dorchinecz and seconded by Alderman Heberling to recommend to the City Council to block off South Main Street from West Adams to the second alley past the school from Friday, September 14th at 4:00 P.M. until Sunday, September 16th at 6:00 P.M. for St. Mary's Church Parish Fiesta and to coordinate plans with Superintendent Wiseman. Motion carried 4-0.

CHILLIFEST

Patty Hornbuckle, Greater Taylorville Chamber of Commerce President discussed the possibility of serving beer at the 27th Annual Chillifest for the weekend of October 13th and 14th; beer was served 20 years ago and was discontinued.

Mrs. Hornbuckle stated the Chamber's responsibilities would include providing a secure location for the event and a structured serving schedule for the event which would be Saturday, October 13th from 12:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M and Sunday, October 14th from 12:00 - 5:00 P.M.

Chairman Walters advised there were three Aldermen besides the four on the Committee in attendance and each Alderman was asked their opinions.

Alderman Walters advised he personally was against allowing beer as this is a family event; he advised he has received three letters against it. He feels that allowing beer goes against all the work Judge Coady has done with the Bassett Training Program. He advised he didn't know if a bar owner could be in charge which is what the Chamber is proposing. He also asked about the cost of manpower to patrol the area and insurance.

Mrs. Hornbuckle advised they were going to let Chris Biondolino, a bar owner take responsibility for the serving as he and his employees have had the required Bassett Training and the area would be a secured area and only individuals 21 years and older would be allowed. She advised she had researched the insurance; the Chamber has already secured an additional blanket policy to cover this event only with KMRM. She has also made arrangements with Sheriff Kettelkamp for the Sheriff's Office Reserves, at the Chambers expense to patrol the area. She stated Sheriff Kettelkamp will be monitoring the event and this would insure a zero tolerance policy, so that the City Officers roles would not change from in the past. She advised there are several family events in the area that allow beer; for example, St. Mary's Fiesta, the Morrisonville Picnic, and Stonington Summerfest.

The Aldermen were then asked to give their opinions which are as follows.

Alderman Heberling stated he would not support this; there are plenty of other avenues to obtain beer.

Alderman Koonce advised he would support; he had done extensive research and that everyone he had contacted was for it. He stated the St. Mary's Fiesta was just passed prior to this with no problems and they serve beer.

Alderman Dorchinecz advised St. Mary's has served beer for years and have not had a problem and the Morrisonville Picnic serves beer and doesn't have problems. He doesn't have a problem with it.

Alderman Burtle stated that maybe in the past something happened with the handling of the beer; he is in favor of at least trying it for one year and if there is a problem stop it.

Alderman Lawrence stated he also was in favor of at least trying again, with the hours that are outlined he didn't see any problems.

Alderman Jones advised he was against it; he doesn't feel that it should be allowed at events that are family oriented.

Motion by Alderman Koonce and seconded by Alderman Dorchinecz to recommend to the City Council to allow beer to be served at Chillifest in the restricted area as shown with perimeters as provided by Greater Chamber of Commerce President Patty Hornbuckle for one year only. Motion failed 2-2.

Alderman Koonce requested that this decision be made by the full Council. The Mayor advised he would have City Clerk Peabody include this on the August 6th City Council Agenda. Alderman Walters invited Mrs. Hornbuckle and the people in attendance to attend this meeting.

BIKE RACKS

There has been discussion regarding a need for bike racks at various places around the Square and possibly at City Hall. Main Street and the Chamber of Commerce were invited to the meeting to determine if they are needed, where they should be placed, how many are needed and how will they be paid for and who will install them. Patty Hornbuckle advised Becky Edwards has been swamped with the B.B.Q. Blues and Cruise which is this upcoming weekend and asked that this be readdressed next month.

There was discussion on different locations around the Square and some members stated they thought there was some hardware on the Square already. Superintendent Wiseman and Alderman Walters will check these areas.

“NO PARKING HERE TO CORNER” SIGNS SNODGRASS AND CLEVELAND

Charles Delahunt who lives at 1011 East Cleveland Street came before the Committee at the May 24th Street and Sewer Committee Meeting stating that a local truck driver is parking his truck on the unrocked boulevard in front of his property and leaving ruts. The Committee made a recommendation to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance placing No Parking Signs on the North Side of Cleveland Street approximately 50 feet West of Snodgrass; Ordinance 3566 was passed on June 18th.

Alderman Lawrence presented the Committee with pictures of this area and Mr. & Mrs. Frank Mathon were in attendance to discuss this with the Committee as it is their tenant that has the truck and they also presented pictures. Mr. Delahunt pointed out in the pictures that even though the truck is parking on part of the boulevard, it is still right in front of his home and he didn't think the Council would want this situation in their front yards. He advised Superintendent Wiseman had been asked to come look at the ruts the truck had made and Mr. Wiseman stated he did see the problem. Mr. Delahunt advised all he is asking is that the neighbor park his vehicle half on the street as all the other neighbors do so there would not be any damage done in front of his home. Mr. Mathon advised he and Mr. Delahunt have been neighbors for many years and did not realize there was a problem until this situation came up. After discussion the Committee, Mr. Mathon and Mr. Delahunt all came to an agreement on how the problem could be solved, stating that if you mark an area three feet off the road that would take care of the problem. Mr. Delahunt stated that is all he wanted. Mr. Wiseman is going to mark the area tomorrow and put something in place to mark the area that the truck is to be parked up to. Mr. Delahunt also discussed a drainage problem in the area but was advised that would have to be discussed at another time as it was not listed as an agenda item.

Motion by Alderman Koonce and seconded by Alderman Heberling to recommend to the City Council to rescind Ordinance No. 3566 (No Parking on the North Side of Cleveland). Motion carried 4-0.

SIDEWALKS ON NORTH SIDE OF ROUTE 104

Mayor Brotherton stated there was an agreement with certain property owners on Route 104 that when adjacent properties were developed they would put in sidewalks. The Committee agreed these owners should be contacted to start putting in sidewalks. Chairman Walters asked Mayor Brotherton to research other owners in the area to see if they would participate in the project also.

SIDEWALKS ON SPRESSER/GORDON PONTIAC AND FAMILY VIDEO

The Committee discussed the issue of placing a sidewalk on Spresser Street in front of Gordon Pontiac and Family Video leading up to McDonald's.

SEWER TAP FEE INCREASE

Superintendent Wiseman advised the Committee the Sewer Tap Fees in City Limits have not been increased in years and the cost of maintenance of sewer lines and labor has increased through the years. He stated City Engineer Joe Greene recommended increasing the fees. Superintendent Wiseman has researched the fees other cities are charging and made his recommendations.

Motion by Alderman Heberling and seconded by Alderman Koonce to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance increasing the Sewer Tap Permit Fees as follows:

Permit Fees as listed	From:	To:
Residential	\$85.00	\$200.00
Condo per Unit (each requires a tap)	\$85.00	\$200.00
Duplexes per Unit (each requires a tap)	\$85.00	\$200.00
Apartment	\$85.00	\$200.00
Addl fee per Apartment		\$50.00
Industrial and Commercial	\$125.00	\$300.00
Subdivisions	\$200.00	\$400.00
Additional fee for each Lot		\$200.00
Mobile Home Park	\$85.00	\$100.00
Additional fee for each pad within the park		\$50.00
Conversion Condo	\$60.00	\$200.00

Motion carried 4-0.

PAY REQUEST #10 MCINTIRE & COMPANY-PHASE II-STORM SEWER PROJECT

Motion by Alderman Dorchinecz and seconded by Alderman Heberling to recommend to the City Council to approve Pay Request #10 from McIntire & Company in the amount of \$11,650.80 for the Ward II-Kenmore-Phase II-Storm Sewer Project. Motion carried 4-0.

PAY REQUEST #7-MCINTIRE & COMPANY-PHASE III-STORM SEWER PROJECT

Motion by Alderman Heberling and seconded by Alderman Koonce to recommend to the City Council to approve Pay Request #7 from McIntire & Company in the amount of \$86,261.20 for the Ward II-Kenmore-Phase III-Storm Sewer Project. Motion carried 4-0.

APPROVE BID FOR WARD II CITY PARK ADDITION PHASE III STORM SEWER PROJECT

City Engineer Joe Greene was present to answer any questions the Committee may have had in regards to the bids received for the Ward II-City Park Addition-Phase III Storm Sewer Project. The Committee asked Mr. Greene what his recommendation was; he advised to award the contract to the lowest bidder which was TNT Contracting from Palmyra, IL.

He researched this company because they have not worked in the City. He contacted other entities that this company has worked with and everyone was impressed with their work stating they were easy to work with and were very impressed with how conscientious they were in their work.

He provided the Committee with a list from the Illinois Department of Transportation of types of construction they have approved TNT Contracting to work on which consists of: earthwork, highway structures, drainage, concrete construction, landscaping, fencing, guardrails and demolition. He also advised they have worked on State projects and they are a Union Contractor.

Motion by Alderman Koonce and seconded by Alderman Dorchinecz to recommend to the City Council to accept the low bid of \$359,457.00 from TNT Contracting for the Ward II- City Park Addition-Phase III Storm Sewer Project. Motion carried 4-0.

REQUEST STOP SIGNS HANER/TAFT AND HANER/MAXWELL

The Committee received a request and a petition requesting a 4-Way Stop Sign located at the corners of Haner/Taft and Haner/Maxwell; as there are now more young children in the neighborhood and this is needed to slow down the traffic.

Motion by Alderman Dorchinecz and seconded by Alderman Koonce to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to prepare an Ordinance to place a 4-Way Stop located at the corners of Haner/Taft and Haner/Maxwell. Motion carried 4-0.

QUOTE FOR FENCING AT THE STREET DEPARTMENT

Superintendent Wiseman stated additional fencing is needed to enclose property the City recently purchased for the Street Department.

Motion by Alderman Heberling and seconded by Alderman Koonce to recommend to the City Council to accept the quote of \$12,500.00 from S & S Fencing Company for removal of old corner fencing and the purchase and installation of approximately 575 ft. of fencing and two 20-foot Cantilever Gates for the Street Department. Motion carried 4-0.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Superintendent Wiseman advised the Department has been very busy with oil and chipping in Ward II. Mr. Lawrence asked what the cost would be to do some streets in his Ward.

- Advised he is going to have to buy Name Street Signs for every Ward with new reflective materials; he tried to purchase locally but couldn't match the price from Halls.
- They will be working on alleys in the future

ANY OTHER MATTERS

Chairman Walters reviewed the following punch lists:

Spresser Street Overlay Project – Has three items that need corrected

Ward II-Kenmore Phases II & III Storm Sewer Project- Phase 2 has 6 items that need corrected
Phase 3 has 2 items that need corrected

He advised the Committee the City will not release any retainage or additional funds until these issues are addressed.

Alderman Burtle thanked the summer employees of the Street Department; Landon Perry and Chaz Dees and Health and Building Department employee, Drew Nicol, who have been painting the inside of the Municipal Building.

Computer Techniques notified the City that as of July 1st they sold the CTI Wireless Internet Division of their business to Essex Telecom, Inc. based in Belvidere, IL. The agreements with the City will remain in force as-is and the City will continue to receive the same compensation as laid out in the agreement. CTI will continue their existing computer service, sales, and consulting business.

Motion by Alderman Heberling and seconded by Alderman Koonce to adjourn. Motion carried 4-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:40 P.M.

Earl Walters, Chairman