

LAKE/AIRPORT COMMITTEE

January 8, 2015

MEMBERS

Alderman Vota
Alderman Dorchinecz
Alderman Walters
Alderman Budd

ALSO PRESENT

Mayor Brotherton
Superintendent Jackson
Alderman Burtle
Marc Poling
Tricia Marburger

Airport Manager Newberry
Alderman Koonce
Alderman Heberling
Superintendent Speagle
Rocky Moore
Bev Morrison

Chairman Vota called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

AIRPORT MANAGER'S REPORT

Chairman Newberry informed the Committee that Crop Dusting and the EAA Breakfasts will be on the February Agenda and the bidding process for Airport Liability Insurance will start in March.

SILT DAM DREDGING

Lake Superintendent Jackson has contacted several engineering firms for quotes for doing the Assessment Assistance portion of the NRCS Watershed Rehabilitation Program. There is \$20,000.00 up front money available for assessment assistance. This program could fund silt dam dredging in the PL566 South Fork and Locust Creek structures. Chairman Vota reported that there may be a Committee Meeting before the next City Council Meeting on January 20th to address the issue.

AMEREN EASEMENT FOR TRANSMISSION LINE

Negotiations are ongoing for the Ameren-ATXI Illinois River Transmission Line planned to be installed through part of the Lake Taylorville Watershed, south and west of the Owaneco Bridge Road. The City has made an offer. However, Ameren is requesting an appraisal. The City will request that Ameren pay for any appraisal obtained at their request.

WATER HEATER IN SHOWER HOUSE

Superintendent Jackson will get quotes for a 100 gallon water heater for the Shower House to replace the one that is leaking. This matter will be on next month's agenda.

Alderman Heberling arrived at 6:07 P.M.

LAKE SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Jackson reported that his crew has been boom mowing, transplanting trees as weather permits and performing vehicle maintenance.

The arson and burglary of two trailers on the City's Lake Lots will be featured as the Crime Stoppers "Crime of the Week" next week.

ANY OTHER MATTERS

IEPA Priority Lake and Watershed Implementation Program

Superintendent Jackson informed the Committee of an IEPA, Priority Lake and Watershed Implementation Program (PLWIP) which is a reimbursement grant program designed to support

lake protection, restoration, and enhancement activities. It is funded by Partners for Conservation. Match is not a grant requirement but matching dollars or in-kind services by the recipient will be given higher points during prioritization. Funding ranges from \$10,000 to \$40,000. Superintendent Jackson feels it could be useful for rip-rapping of certain areas and will look into the matter.

Airport Annual Liability Amendatory Endorsement Fee

Marc Poling, President of the Mid America Sport Parachute Club, had received a \$1,000.00 statement from the City Clerk's Office for the 2014 Annual Liability Amendatory Endorsement Fee and noted that the 2015 payment would be due in May. They are required to pay this fee per Ordinance 3606 due to the extra coverage the City is liable for because of the skydiving clubs activities. He asked if the City could change the billing to come due in June of each year as their income comes mainly in the summer months. He would like to make the 2014 payment on June 1st and the 2015 payment on September 1st. This matter will be placed on the February Lake/Airport Agenda.

Owaneco Sewer Issue

Alderman Dorchinecz stated he spoke to Greg Seiler of the Christian County Health Department about the Owaneco Sewer Issue. Mr. Seiler said that someone could smoke the tiles to see where the leak is coming from (going to)? Several years ago the Village of Owaneco was asked if they would implement a new sewer system and it was voted down.

Alderman Dorchinecz asked if he could ask Reggie Benton of Benton & Associates for advice on where to go from here. Committee members felt that would be fine as long as it is "free advice".

American Tower Lease Agreement for Bishop Cove Area

Several of the Aldermen had reviewed the October 6, 2014 American Tower letter and lease which is due for renewal in March of 2017 and the offer they are making. They feel there are many issues to be addressed. This matter will be on the January Finance Committee Agenda.

PANA N-TAYLORVILLE electric transmission line

Ameren plans to rebuild their existing line, including structures, wire replacements and/or installation of other necessary fixtures and appurtenances in the area south of the Owaneco Bridge from Boyd Dappert to Pana. They would like an easement granting the right to place the storm structure with guy wires within the existing transmission line and replace the existing structure. The Mayor will contact Larry Carlin for more explanation.

Motion by Alderman Dorchinecz and seconded by Alderman Budd to adjourn. Motion carried 4-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:03 P.M.

Martin Vota, Chairman