

At the regular meeting held in the Council Chambers by the City Council, April 17, 2023, the following proceedings were held and entered in this record in the following words and figures to wit:

City Clerk

Mayor

The called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

The Invocation was given by Mayor Barry. Mayor Barry led the Council and the assembled group in the Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call - Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Budd, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Olive, Skultety, and Wilson were present.

RECOGNITION OF KIDS R KIDS BOBCATS BASKETBALL TEAM

Mayor Barry recognized the Kids R Kids Bobcats Basketball Team, coached by Andy Goodall and Jared Hall. The team recently won the State title, which is the 4th State title for this group! Congratulations!

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Driskell to utilize the Omnibus Vote Designation for various meetings. Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Budd, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Olive, Skultety, and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Driskell to approve the regular City Council Meeting held April 3, 2023; the Emergency Services Committee Meeting held April 6, 2023; the Personnel Committee Meeting held April 6, 2023; the Water/Environmental Committee Meeting held April 13, 2023; and the Lake/Airport Committee Meeting held April 13, 2023. OMNIBUS VOTE

WYANDOTTE ALLEY DRAINAGE PROJECT – PHIL TULLIS EXCAVATING

Motion by Alderman Dorchinecz and seconded by Alderman Brown to approve and award the bid for the Wyandotte Alley Drainage Project to Phil Tullis Excavating in an amount not to exceed \$36,125.00 to be paid from Ward IV Funds. Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Budd, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Olive, Skultety, and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried.

BID AND/OR ADVERTISE LABORER POSITION – WATER DEPARTMENT

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Olive to approve to bid and/or advertise one replacement Laborer for the Water Department. The motion carried (8-0).

HIRE ADVERTISE PART TIME DISPATCHER – POLICE DEPARTMENT

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Brown to hire one replacement Part Time Dispatcher for the Police Department. The motion carried (8-0).

SPECIAL EVENTS PERMIT – RED BLAND LITTLE LEAGUE PARADE

Motion by Alderman Driskell and seconded by Alderman Dorchinecz to approve the Special Events Permit for the Red Bland Little League Parade to be held on Saturday, April 29, 2023 at 9:15 A.M. The motion carried (8-0).

SPECIAL EVENTS PERMIT – TAYLORVILLE HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION PARADE

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Brown to approve the Special Events Permit for the Taylorville High School Graduation Parade to be held on May 19, 2023 at 7:45 P.M. The motion carried (8-0).

COMMITTEE REPORTS

EMERGENCY SERVICES

FISCAL YEAR 2023/2024 FIRE DEPARTMENT BUDGET

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Olive to forward the Fiscal Year 2023/2024 Fire Department Budget to the Finance Committee. The motion carried (8-0).

FISCAL YEAR 2023/2024 POLICE DEPARTMENT BUDGET

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Olive to forward the Fiscal Year 2023/2024 Police Department Budget to the Finance Committee. The motion carried (8-0).

PERSONNEL

STAFF QUICK – LAKE AND CEMETERY DEPARTMENTS

Motion by Alderman Driskell and seconded by Alderman Skultety to allow the Lake and Cemetery Departments to each hire one additional Staff Quick employee. The motion carried (8-0).

DRESS CODE POLICY

Motion by Alderman Driskell and seconded by Alderman Budd to suspend the current dress code policy effective April 18, 2023 and revert back to the previous dress code policy until July 1, 2023 to give the Union and the Committee time to bargain a new dress code policy that is agreed upon. AFSCME Union President Derek McConnell thanked the Council for working with the Union on this issue. Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Budd, Dorchinecz, Olive, Skultety, and Wilson voted YEA. Alderman Driskell voted Present. The Mayor announced the motion carried.

WATER

IEPA LAB FEE PROGRAM

Motion by Alderman Dorchinecz and seconded by Alderman Bryant to approve utilizing the IEPA Lab Fee Program for July 2023 to December 2023 at a cost not to exceed \$2,629.62. Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Budd, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Olive, Skultety, and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried.

PURCHASE OF TWO DESKTOP COMPUTERS

Motion by Alderman Dorchinecz and seconded by Alderman Bryant to approve the purchase of two desktop computers at a cost not to exceed \$2,000.00 with the vendor to be determined. Alderman Driskell stated that she found lower priced monitors and towers. They will be ordered from Amazon. Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Budd, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Olive, Skultety, and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried.

FISCAL YEAR 2023/2024 WATER DEPARTMENT BUDGET

Motion by Alderman Dorchinecz and seconded by Alderman Bryant to forward the Fiscal Year 2023/2024 Water Department Budget to the Finance Committee. The motion carried (8-0).

LAKE/AIRPORT

WILLIAM WALTER CATCH A FISH DAY

Motion by Alderman Brown and seconded by Alderman Olive to approve the request for the Annual William Walter Catch a Fish Day, upon receipt of all documents and insurance, on Saturday, May 13, 2023 at Kiwanis Park at Lake Taylorville. The motion carried (8-0).

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Dorchinecz to authorize payment of bills. Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Budd, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Olive, Skultety, and Wilson voted YEA. Mayor Barry announced the motion carried.

BUSINESS FROM THE PUBLIC

Mayor Barry asked if anyone wished to address the Council.

Finance Chairman Budd stated that information was distributed to all Council members regarding the Taylorville Industrial Park and partnering with the Taylorville Developmental Association/Christian County Economic Development Corporation on website development. The Finance Committee will be discussing this at the upcoming Committee Meeting.

Mayor Barry noted that City Wide Clean-up Day is Saturday April 22, 2023 beginning at 7:00 A.M. and requested any Aldermen to assist if possible.

He also thanked Steve Dennis for all the work he and his committee did to assist in the grant for the bike trail bridge. The City of Pana was awarded a \$1.08 million grant, with the total projected cost of \$1.2 million. The City of Pana and the City of Taylorville will split the cost of the matching fund amount. Once completed, the City of Pana will deed a portion of the bike trail to the City of Taylorville.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Wilson to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried (8-0). The meeting adjourned at 7:16 P.M.