

At the regular meeting held in the Council Chambers by the City Council, March 18, 2024, the following proceedings were held and entered in this record in the following words and figures to wit:

City Clerk

Mayor

The Mayor 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 Bryant, Brown, Dorchinecz, Skultety, Olive and Wilson were present. Alderman Mitchelson was present by Zoom. Alderman Driskel was absent.

RECOGNITION – THS Band Members

Mayor Barry recognized the THS Band Members

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Olive to utilize the Omnibus Vote Designation for Various Meetings as listed below. Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Mitchelson, Olive, Skultety and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Dorchinecz to approve the regular City Council Meeting held March 4, 2024, the Emergency Services Committee Meeting held March 7, 2024, the Personnel Committee Meeting held March 7, 2024, the Cemetery Board of Managers Meeting held March 12, 2024, Lake/Airport Committee Meeting held March 14, 2024 and the Water Committee Meeting held March 14, 2024. OMNIBUS VOTE. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-1503 -A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING GIFT OF PROPERTY 305 E. POPLAR STREET PROPERTY

Motion by Alderman Skultety and seconded by Alderman Olive to approve Resolution No. 2024 – Accepting gift of property at 305 E. Poplar Street, Taylorville, Illinois. Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Mitchelson, Olive, Skultety, Wilson and Mayor Barry voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 8-0.

RESOLUTION NO.1504 -A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF EASEMENT AGREEMENT (re: Betty J. Sutton)

Motion by Alderman Dorchinecz and seconded by Alderman Brown to approve Resolution No**** a Resolution Authorizing Execution of Easement Agreement between Betty J. Sutton and the City of Taylorville, Illinois. Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Mitchelson, Olive, Skultety and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

RESOLUTION NO. 1505 -A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF EASEMENT AGREEMENT (re: Lawrence J. Barry and Katherine A. Barry)

Motion by Alderman Dorchinecz and seconded by Alderman Brown to approve Resolution No**** a Resolution Authorizing Execution of Easement Agreement between Lawrence J. Barry and Katherine A. Barry and the City of Taylorville, Illinois. Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Mitchelson, Olive, Skultety and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

RESOLUTION NO.1506 -A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF EASEMENT AGREEMENT (re: ILCARRICOSIX, LLC)

Motion by Alderman Wilson and seconded by Alderman Olive to approve Resolution No**** a Resolution Authorizing Execution of Easement Agreement between ILCARRICOSIX, LLC and the City of Taylorville, Illinois. Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Mitchelson, Olive, Skultety and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

MOTION TO WAIVE BIDDING AND ACCEPT THE PROPOSAL FOR CONSTRUCTION OF DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS FOR WHITE OAKS DRIVE PROPOSAL, PAID BY WARD 4 FUNDS.

Motion by Alderman Dorchinecz and seconded by Alderman Skultety to waive bidding and accept the proposal for construction of Drainage Improvement for White Oaks Drive Proposal from Phil Tullis Excavating, Inc. in the amount of \$45,332.00 to be paid by Ward 4 funds. Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Mitchelson, Olive, Skultety and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE SPECIAL EVENTS PERMIT IN REGARD TO TURN OUR TOWN TEAL EVENT IN THE MONTH OF APRIL.

Motion by Alderman Wilson and seconded by Alderman Olive to approve the Special Events Permit in regard to the Turn Our Town Teal Event in the month of April. Roll Call - Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Mitchelson, Olive, Skultety, and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE REGISTRATION TO CONNECT FOR TOMORROW 24- INCODE TRAINING CONFERENCE INDIANAPOLIS INDIANA.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Olive to approve the registration to Connect for Tomorrow 24-Incode Training Conference Indianapolis, IN Sunday, May 19, 2024 thru Wednesday, May 22, 2024 for Deputy Treasurer Crystal Nichols. Early Registration for the Conference cost is \$1,199.00 plus Hotel, Food and Travel. Roll Call - Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Mitchelson, Olive, Skultety, and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE REGISTRATION TO CONNECT FOR TOMORROW 24- INCODE TRAINING CONFERENCE INDIANAPOLIS INDIANA.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Brown to approve the registration to Connect for Tomorrow 24-Incode Training Conference Indianapolis, IN Sunday, May 19, 2024 thru Wednesday, May 22, 2024 for Deputy Clerk Tammy Nicol. Early Registration for the

Conference cost is \$1,199.00 plus Hotel, Food and Travel. Roll Call - Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Mitchelson, Olive, Skultety, and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

PLAN COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS --

Motion by Alderman Wilson and seconded by Alderman Olive to Approve the Salisbury Minor Subdivision Final Plat. Roll Call - Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Mitchelson, Olive, Skultety, and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Alderman Dorchinecz and seconded by Alderman Skultety to accept the Plan Commission recommendation and to direct the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance granting a Special Use Permit for Computer Techniques, LLC property. Roll Call - Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Mitchelson, Olive, Skultety, and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Alderman Wilson and seconded by Alderman Dorchinecz to accept the Plan Commission recommendation and to direct the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance to rezone the Kerri Austwick property. Roll Call - Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Mitchelson, Olive, Skultety, and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Alderman Dorchinecz and seconded by Alderman Brown to accept the Plan Commission recommendation and to direct the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance to rezone the West School Investments, LLC with a barrier, in accordance with city code, to be built between the property in question and that of his property. Roll Call - Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Mitchelson, Olive, Skultety, and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

City Attorney Romano gave updates.

Mayor and gave updates on various projects throughout the City.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

EMERGENCY SERVICES-

Motion by Alderman Dorchinecz seconded by Alderman Olive to approve the purchase of a new fire hose from American Signal at a cost not to exceed \$7,000.00 to be paid from the equipment line item in the FY 2023/2024 budget. Roll Call - Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Mitchelson, Olive, Skultety, and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Alderman Dorchinecz and seconded by Alderman Wilson to approve the purchase a new tornado siren computer from ASC at a cost not to exceed \$6,000.00 to be paid from the ESDA line item in the FY 2023/2024 budget. Roll Call - Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Mitchelson, Olive, Skultety, and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Alderman Dorchinecz and seconded by Alderman Bryant to approve the purchase of a billboard advertisement spot on Route 29 for 6 months at a cost not to exceed \$2,900.00 with \$2475.00 to be reimbursed through the Safe Passage grant. Roll Call - Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Mitchelson, Olive, Skultety, and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Alderman Dorchinecz and seconded by Alderman Bryant to approve the purchase of a K9 and training for the K9 from Midpro K9 at a cost not to exceed \$18,000.00 to be paid from the equipment line item in the FY 2023-2024 budget. Roll Call - Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Mitchelson, Olive, Skultety, and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Alderman Dorchinecz and seconded by Alderman Bryant to approve the purchase of a new computer for the Celebrite Program from Newegg at a cost not to exceed \$2,500.00. Roll Call - Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Mitchelson, Olive, Skultety, and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Alderman Dorchinecz and seconded by Alderman Skultety to approve the purchase of Vehicle Striping for the ERT vehicle from Lilly Signs at a cost not to exceed \$4,000.00. Roll Call - Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Mitchelson, Olive, Skultety, and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Alderman Dorchinecz and seconded by Alderman Wilson to approve the purchase of Helmet Cameras for the ERT from Mohoc at a cost not to exceed \$5,000.00. Roll Call - Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Mitchelson, Olive, Skultety, and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

PERSONNEL-

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Wilson to Approve the Bid and/or Advertise Working Foreman Position – Cemetery. Roll Call - Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Mitchelson, Olive, Skultety, and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Wilson to have the salary for the Laborer position at the Municipal Building taken out of Administration Budget instead of the Street Department Budget beginning May 1, 2024. Roll Call - Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Mitchelson, Olive, Skultety, and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried. Roll Call - Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Mitchelson, Olive, Skultety, and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Brown to Approve Bid and/or Advertise a Crew Leader Position – Water Treatment Plant. Roll Call - Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Mitchelson, Olive, Skultety, and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Dorchinecz to Approve Bid and/or Advertise Plant Operator Position – Water Treatment Plant. Roll Call - Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Mitchelson, Olive, Skultety, and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Brown to Approve Bid and/or Advertise Heavy Equipment Operator Position - Cemetery. Roll Call - Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Mitchelson, Olive, Skultety, and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Brown to Recommend to Approve to hire 5 Summer/Seasonal help employees
With a breakdown as follows:

HBO request 1 Summer/Seasonal

Water Department: 4 Summer/Seasonal

With the option to hire through Staff Quick if there is an inadequate number of applications for Summer/Seasonal Employees. Roll Call - Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Mitchelson, Olive, Skultety, and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried.

LAKE/AIRPORT-

Motion by Alderman Brown and seconded by Alderman Skultety to Approve the Special Events Permit – Blackhorse Pow Wow, providing they submit a Certificate of Liability Insurance with the City Clerk's office prior to the event. Roll Call - Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Mitchelson, Olive, Skultety, and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried.

WATER-

Motion by Alderman Brown and seconded by Alderman Wilson to Advertise for Bid, Springfield Road Water Main Improvements. Roll Call - Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Mitchelson, Olive, Skultety, and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Alderman Brown and seconded by Alderman Skultety to Approve the Amendment to the Engineering Service Agreement with Benton & Associates, Inc – Springfield Road Water Main Improvements at a cost not to exceed \$98,000.00. Roll Call - Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Mitchelson, Olive, Skultety, and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Alderman Brown and seconded by Alderman Skultety to Approve the New Agreement to the Engineering Service Agreement with Benton & Associates, Inc –Tower Inspections at a cost not to exceed \$9,400.00. Roll Call - Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Mitchelson, Olive, Skultety, and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

CEMETERY BOARD –

Motion by Alderman Brown and seconded by Alderman Wilson to Table the removal of the bent flag pole from the Cemetery. Roll Call - Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Mitchelson, Olive, Skultety, and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Dorchinecz to authorize the payment of bills as presented. Roll Call - Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Mitchelson, Olive, Skultety, and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

BUSINESS FROM THE PUBLIC

The Mayor asked if anyone wished to address the Council and no one present addressed the Council.

CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Brown to go into closed session, Pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(5) to discuss collective negotiating matters between the City and Police employees and their respective union representatives, and deliberation concerning salary schedules for such employees; and any and all subject matters relating to any and all of the aforesaid subject matters, including, but not limited to settlement negotiations, offers issues and strategies. To include the following persons to be present during all or part of such closed session, namely: the Mayor, Aldermen, City Attorney (via Zoom), City Clerk, Human Resource Manager, City Treasurer, and such other person or persons as the Mayor may decide during this City Council meeting and/or during such closed session.

The City Council recessed at 7:35 P.M. and went into Closed Session at 7:38 P. M.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Olive to return to Open Session. Roll Call - Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Mitchelson, Olive, Skultety, and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried. The City Council returned to Open Session at 7:51 P.M.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Olive to allow the Mayor to sign the agreement with the Police Department as finalized. This contract will not vary from our previous discussion in closed session. Roll Call - Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Mitchelson, Olive, Skultety, and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

The meeting adjourned at 7:54 P.M.