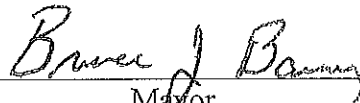


At the regular meeting held in the Council Chambers by the City Council, April 7, 2025, the following proceedings were held and entered in this record in the following words and figures to wit:

  
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City Clerk

  
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Mayor

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

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

Roll Call - Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Mitchelson, Olive, and Skultety were present. Alderman Wilson was absent. Attorney Romano was present via zoom.

#### RECOGNITION

The Mayor recognized the 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Volleyball Team.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Brown to approve the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held March 17, 2025, the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held March 20, 2025, the minutes of the Ordinance Committee meeting held March 20, 2025, the minutes of the Street & Sewer meeting held March 27, 2025, the minutes of the Personnel Committee meeting held April 3, 2025 and the minutes of the Emergency Services Committee meeting held April 3, 2025. Roll Call – Alderman Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Mitchelson, Olive and Skultety voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

ORDINANCE #4301 - AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT NO. 1 REDEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF TAYLORVILLE AND CHICAGO'S #1 DRUM LESSONS, INC. D.B.A. TAYLORVILLE MUSIC LESSONS (311 S. MAIN ST.)

Motion by Alderman Driskell and seconded by Alderman Skultety to Approve and Authorize the Execution of a Business Development District No. 1 Redevelopment Agreement by and between City of Taylorville, Illinois and Chicago's #1 Drum Lessons, Inc. D.B.A. Taylorville Music Lessons (311 S. Main St.). Roll Call – Alderman Bryant, Driskell, Mitchelson, Olive, Skultety and Mayor Barry voted YEA. Alderman Brown and Dorchinecz voted NAY. The Mayor announced the motion carried 6-2.

ORDINANCE #4302 - AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT NO. 1 REDEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF TAYLORVILLE AND CHRISTIAN COUNTY YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION, INC. (900 McADAM DRIVE).

Motion by Alderman Skultety and seconded by Alderman Mitchelson to Approve and Authorize the Execution of a Business Development District No. 1 Redevelopment Agreement by and between City of Taylorville, Illinois and Christian County Young Men's Christian Association, Inc. – YMCA (900 McAdam Drive). Roll Call – Alderman Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Mitchelson, Olive, Skultety and Mayor Barry voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 8-0.

ORDINANCE #4303 - AMENDING SECTION 3-3-5 OF CHAPTER 3 TO TITLE 3 OF THE TAYLORVILLE CITY CODE (RE: ADDING CLASS P COMBINED LICENSES).

Motion by Alderman Brown and seconded by Alderman Skultety to Amend Section 3-3-5 of Chapter 3 to Title 3 of the Taylorville City Code (re: adding Class P Combined Licenses). Roll Call – Alderman Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Mitchelson, Olive, Skultety and Mayor Barry voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 8-0.

ORDINANCE #4304 - AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT NO. 1 REDEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF TAYLORVILLE AND THE GREATER TAYLORVILLE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

Motion by Alderman Skultety and seconded by Alderman Olive to Approve and Authorize the Execution of a Business Development District No. 1 Redevelopment Agreement by and between City of Taylorville, Illinois and The Greater Taylorville Chamber of Commerce. Roll Call – Alderman Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Mitchelson, Olive, Skultety and Mayor Barry voted YEA. Alderman Driskell voted NAY. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-1.

ORDINANCE #4305 - APPROVING THE THIRD FARM LEASE AGREEMENT EXTENDING THE NATION FARM LEASE FOR THE 120.7 ACRES AT THE AIRPORT FOR ONE YEAR.

Motion by Alderman Mitchelson and seconded by Alderman Brown to Approve the Third Farm Lease Amendment Agreement extending the Nation farm lease for the 120.7 acres at the airport for one year. Roll Call – Alderman Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Mitchelson, Olive, Skultety and Mayor Barry voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 8-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE MAYOR BARRY AND ALDERMAN MITCHELSON TO NEGOTIATE THE COST IN THE POTENTIAL PURCHASE OF THE TAYLORVILLE INDUSTRIAL PARK.

Motion by Alderman Mitchelson and seconded by Alderman Skultety to Direct and Approve the Mayor and Alderman Mitchelson to negotiate the cost in the potential purchase of the Taylorville Industrial Park. This would be paid from the BDD Fund. Roll Call – Alderman Brown, Bryant, Mitchelson, Olive and Skultety voted YEA. Alderman Dorchinecz and Driskell voted NAY. The Mayor announced the motion carried 5-2.

MOTION TO AUTHORIZE AND DIRECT THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE RESOLUTION #1509 FOR THE SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL IDOT JOINT AGREEMENT.

Motion by Alderman Brown and seconded by Alderman Dorchinecz to Authorize and Direct the Mayor to sign the Resolution #1509 for the Safe Routes to School IDOT Joint Agreement. Roll Call – Alderman Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Mitchelson, Olive and Skultety voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

MOTION TO AUTHORIZE AND DIRECT THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE REQUEST FOR EXPENDITURE/AUTHORIZATION OF MOTOR FUEL TAX FUND FOR THE SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL PROJECT.

Motion by Alderman Dorchinecz and seconded by Alderman Brown to Authorize and Direct the Mayor to sign the Request for Expenditure/Authorization of Motor Fuel Tax Fund for the Safe Routes to School project. Roll Call – Alderman Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Mitchelson, Olive and Skultety voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

MOTION TO DIRECT THE CITY ATTORNEY TO PREPARE AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH A CITY 1% GROCERY TAX.

Motion by Alderman Mitchelson and seconded by Alderman Brown to Direct the City Attorney to prepare an Ordinance to establish a City 1% Grocery Tax. Roll Call – Alderman Brown, Bryant, Mitchelson, and Olive voted YEA. Alderman Dorchinecz, Driskell and Skultety voted NAY. The Mayor announced the motion carried 4-3.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE CITY WEBSITE UPDATE WITH SERPENTINE AT COST NOT TO EXCEED \$5,600.00.

Motion by Alderman Mitchelson and seconded by Alderman Byrant to Approve the City Website update with Serpentine at a cost not to exceed \$5,600.00. Roll Call – Alderman Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Mitchelson, Olive and Skultety voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

MOTION TO DIRECT THE CITY ATTORNEY TO PREPARE AN ORDINANCE TO ADD A YIELD SIGN ON MORTON STREET AT THE WEST POPLAR STREET INTERSECTION.

Motion by Alderman Skultety and seconded by Alderman Brown to direct the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance to add a yield sign on Morton Street at the West Poplar Street intersection. Roll Call – Alderman Brown, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Mitchelson, Olive and Skultety voted YEA. Alderman Bryant voted NAY. The Mayor announced the motion carried 6-1.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE SPECIAL EVENTS PERMITS:

Motion by Alderman Driskell and seconded by Alderman Brown to Approve the following Special Events Permits:

- Taylorville Blackhorse Veteran's Pow Wow to be held on West Main Cross on May 23, 2025 & May 24, 2025 (9AM-6PM).
- THS 2025 Graduation Parade to be held on Friday May 16, 2025 at 7:45 PM.
- Fireworks Show to be held at Kiwanis Park, Lake Taylorville on Friday July 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025. They would also like to reserve Kiwanis Park for July 3<sup>rd</sup> at 2 PM to allow for setup.
- 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Chillifest & Parade. This will be held on the Taylorville Square from October 3, 2025 to October 5, 2025 until after cleanup Sunday evening.

Roll Call – Alderman Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Mitchelson, Olive and Skultety voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE QUOTE FROM VANDEVANTER ENGINEERING AND WAIVE THE STATUTORY BIDDING PROCESS FOR THREE LIFT STATIONS FOR REPAIRS AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$20,000.00.

Motion by Alderman Driskell and seconded by Alderman Olive to accept the quote from Vandevanter Engineering and waive the statutory bidding process for three lift stations for repairs at a cost not to exceed \$20,000.00. Roll Call – Alderman Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Mitchelson, Olive and Skultety voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE QUOTE FROM VANDEVANTER ENGINEERING FOR THE PURCHASE OF THE MULTISMART CONTROLLERS FOR THE LIFT STATIONS AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$28,000.00.

Motion by Alderman Driskell and seconded by Alderman Bryant to accept the quote from Vandevanter Engineering and waive the statutory bidding process for the purchase of the MultiSmart Controllers for the Lift Stations at a cost not to exceed \$28,000.00. Roll Call – Alderman Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Mitchelson, Olive and Skultety voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE AND ACCEPT THE LOWEST BID FOR CONCRETE.

Motion by Alderman Driskell and seconded by Alderman Dorchinecz to Approve and Accept the lowest bid for concrete from Poggenpohl:

Curb & Guttering - \$172.00 per cubic yard

Sidewalks – \$168.00 per cubic yard.

Roll Call – Alderman Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Mitchelson, Olive and Skultety voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE AND ACCEPT THE LOWEST BID FOR CURB, GUTTERING AND SIDEWALK REPLACEMENT.

Motion by Alderman Driskell and seconded by Alderman Brown to Approve and Accept the lowest bid for Curb, Guttering and Sidewalk Replacement from R& B Peters Construction:

Sidewalk Replacement \$4.50 per square foot

Curb & Gutter Replacement \$26.00 per linear foot

Roll Call – Alderman Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Mitchelson, Olive and Skultety voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE AND ACCEPT THE LOWEST BID FOR GASOLINE AND DIESEL FUEL.

Motion by Alderman Driskell and seconded by Alderman Olive to Approve and Accept the lowest bid for Gasoline and Diesel Fuel from FS:

- On Road Biodiesel (B2) up to 21,000 gal @3.516
- On Road Biodiesel (B2) Winter Grade, up to 21,000 gal @3.576
- Off Road Biodiesel (B2) up to 16,700 gal @ 2.971
- Off Road Biodiesel (B2) Winter Grade, up to 16,700 gal @ 3.031
- Regular Unleaded Grade Gasoline, up to 44,000 gal@3.061

Roll Call – Alderman Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Mitchelson, Olive and Skultety voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE BID AND/OR ADVERTISE FOR THE DEPUTY TREASURER POSITION THAT WILL BE VACANT ON MAY 5, 2025.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Dorchinecz to Bid and/or advertise the Deputy Treasurer Position that will be vacant on May 5, 2025. Roll Call – Alderman Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Mitchelson, Olive and Skultety voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE BID AND/OR ADVERTISE FOR THE HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATOR A POSITION AT THE STREET DEPARTMENT.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Brown to Bid and/or advertise the Heavy Equipment Operator A position at the Street Department. Roll Call – Alderman Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Mitchelson, Olive and Skultety voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

MOTION TO DIRECT THE MAYOR TO SEND A LETTER TO THE BOARD OF FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS TO HIRE A REPLACEMENT POLICE OFFICER.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Dorchinecz to direct the Mayor to send a letter to the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners to hire a replacement Police Officer. Roll Call – Alderman Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Mitchelson, Olive and Skultety voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

MOTION TO DIRECT THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF CHARLESTON.

Motion by Alderman Dorchinecz and seconded by Alderman Brown to direct the Mayor to sign the Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement with the City of Charleston. Roll Call – Alderman Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Mitchelson, Olive and Skultety voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

City Attorney Romano gave updates.

Mayor Barry congratulated all of the newly Elected Officials. He will be working on Committee Assignments in the near future.

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE TREASURER'S REPORT AS PRESENTED.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Mitchelson to Accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. Roll Call – Alderman Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Mitchelson, Olive and Skultety voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Motion by Alderman Mitchelson and seconded by Alderman Bryant to authorize the payment of bills in the amount of \$631,402.82. Roll Call – Alderman Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Mitchelson, Olive and Skultety 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 Driskell to go into Closed Session. Roll Call – Alderman Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Mitchelson, Olive and Skultety voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

The City Council went into Closed Session at 7:26 PM.

The City Council went back into Open Session at 7:31 PM.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Brown to accept and approve the City insurance carrier's recommendation to reject the \$200,000 settlement demand of James Tirpak and to not make any settlement counter-proposal. Roll Call – Alderman Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Mitchelson, Olive and Skultety voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Brown to adjourn. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

The meeting adjourned at 7:32 P.M.