

At the regular meeting held in the Council Chambers by the City Council, March 20, 2023, the following proceedings were held and entered in this record in the following words and figures to wit:

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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 Brown, Bryant, Budd, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Skultety, and Wilson were present. Alderman Olive was absent.

OATH OF OFFICE – POLICE OFFICER TROY KISSEL

City Clerk Lilly administered the Oath of Office to new Police Officer Troy Kissel.

MANNER’S PARK POOL PRESENTATION

Bailey Hancock, Director of the Taylorville Park District, presented the proposed plans for the new pool at Manner’s Park. The current park pool was built in 1962 with updates and repairs over the years. It is beyond repair in certain areas. The anticipated cost of the new pool is \$7.2-7.8 million, and will include a splash pad, zero entry pool and the large pool with 25’ and 50’ lanes for swim meets. There is a referendum on the April 4, 2023 ballot to raise \$6.5 million, which is the maximum amount eligible.. If the referendum passes, the remainder will be raised by fundraisers and grants if available. She encouraged the support of the Council and entire community, as the pool provides a place for children and adults to gather.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Driskell to approve the Public Hearing held March 6, 2023; the regular City Council Meeting held March 6, 2023; the Lake/Airport Committee Meeting held March 9, 2023; the Water/Environmental Committee Meeting held March 9, 2023; the Oak Hill Cemetery Board of Managers Meeting held March 14, 2023; the Finance Committee Meeting held March 16, 2023; and the Ordinance Committee Meeting held March 16, 2023. OMNIBUS VOTE

PLAN COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS

Chairman Pat Kretzer stated that the Plan Commission had voted unanimously to recommend to the City Council to approve the Location and Sketch Map for the Stepp Minor Subdivision.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Brown to accept the Plan Commission Recommendations and approve the Location and Sketch Map for the Stepp Minor Subdivision. Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Budd, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Skultety, and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 4161 – APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT NO. 1 REDEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN CITY OF TAYLORVILLE AND COZY GRIND, LLC DBA ELIXIR BEAUTY BAR & SALON AND MATTHEW H. ROGERS

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Skultety to approve Ordinance No. 4161 –

Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Business Development District No. 1 Redevelopment Agreement by and between City of Taylorville and Cozy Grind, LLC dba Elixir Beauty Bar & Salon and Matthew H. Rogers. Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Budd, Dorchinez, Driskell, Skultety, Wilson, and Mayor Barry voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 4162 – APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT NO. 1 REDEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN CITY OF TAYLORVILLE AND KARMA SALON AND BOUTIQUE, LLC AND ELIZABETH HOHENSTEIN

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Dorchinez to approve Ordinance No. 4162 – An Ordinance Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Business Development District No. 1 Redevelopment Agreement by and between City of Taylorville and Karma Salon and Boutique, LLC and Elizabeth Hohenstein. Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Budd, Dorchinez, Driskell, Skultety, Wilson, and Mayor Barry voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 4163 – APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT NO. 1 REDEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN CITY OF TAYLORVILLE AND SANGAMO BREWING TAYLORVILLE, LLC AND SANGAMO BREWING, LLC AND THOMAS NOONAN

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Brown to approve Ordinance No. 4163 – An Ordinance Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Business Development District No. 1 Redevelopment Agreement by and between City of Taylorville and Sangamo Brewing Taylorville, Inc. and Sangamo Brewing, LLC and Thomas Noonan. Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Budd, Dorchinez, Driskell, Skultety, Wilson, and Mayor Barry voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried.

SPECIAL EVENTS PERMIT – TURN THE TOWN TEAL

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Dorchinez to approve the Special Events Permit for Turn the Town Teal on the Downtown Square to be held from March 30, 2023 – May 1, 2023 for Sexual Assault Awareness Month. The motion carried (7-0).

SPECIAL EVENTS PERMIT – 9<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL O'REILLY AUTO PARTS CAR CRUISE-IN

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Wilson to approve the Special Events Permit for the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual O'Reilly Auto Parts Car Cruise-in to be held on June 24, 2023 from 12:00 P.M. – 8:00 P.M. The motion carried (7-0).

COMMITTEE REPORTS

LAKE AIRPORT

SURVEY OF NEW HUNTING GROUND

Motion by Alderman Brown and seconded by Alderman Bryant to approve the Whitetails Unlimited, Wild Turkey Federation, and Ducks Unlimited to pay for the survey for the new area of hunting ground at Lake Taylorville. The motion carried (7-0).

PURCHASE OF 2023 FORD F250 4WD CREW CAB – BOB RIDINGS

Motion by Alderman Brown and seconded by Alderman Budd to approve the purchase of a 2023 Ford F250 4WD Crew Cab from Bob Ridings at a cost not to exceed \$70,000.00, to be paid from the Fiscal Year 2023/2024 Budget. Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Budd, Dorchinez, Driskell, Skultety, and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried.

PURCHASE OF MILLERMATIC 255 MIG WELDER WITH LATCH CART - ILMO

Motion by Alderman Brown and seconded by Alderman Budd to approve the purchase of a Millermatic 255 Mag Welder with Latch Cart from ILMO at a cost not to exceed \$4,338.10, to be paid from the Fiscal Year

2023/2024 Budget. Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Budd, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Skultety, and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried.

PURCHASE OF LAND PRIDE BRUSH CUTTER – FARM AND HOME

Motion by Alderman Brown and seconded by Alderman to approve the purchase of a Land Pride Brush Cutter from Farm and Home at a cost not to exceed \$1,699.99. Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Budd, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Skultety, and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried.

LAKE DEPARTMENT FISCAL YEAR 2023/2024 BUDGET

Motion by Alderman Brown and seconded by Alderman Budd to forward the Lake Department Fiscal Year 2023/2024 Budget to the Finance Committee. The motion carried (7-0).

CABIN CLEANING BID AWARD – ELLEN SAMSON

Motion by Alderman Brown and seconded by Alderman Skultety to award the bid for Cabin Cleaning to Ellen Samson for \$25.00 per Cabin for the 2023/2024 and 2024/2025 Lake seasons. Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Budd, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Skultety, and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried.

SANITATION SERVICES BID AWARD – NOLEN PLUMBING

Motion by Alderman Brown and seconded by Alderman Dorchinecz to award the bid for Sanitation Services to Nolen Plumbing for \$85.00 per week for the 2023/2024 and 2024/2025 Lake Seasons. Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Budd, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Skultety, and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried.

CEMETERY BOARD OF MANAGERS

SURVEY OF CEMETERY BLOCK 41 – BRENT WINDELL

Motion by Alderman Brown and seconded by Alderman Wilson to approve the survey of Block 41 by Brent Windell at a cost not to exceed \$5,650.00, to be paid from the Perpetual Care Interest Fund in the FY 2023/2024 budget. Roll Call - Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Budd, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Skultety, and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried.

FINANCE

FY 2023/2024 BUDGET – DOWNTOWN TAYLORVILLE

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Skultety to approve the Fiscal Year 2023/2024 Budget for Downtown Taylorville in the amount of \$92,478.00, to be paid out of the Business Development District Fund. Steve Craggs, representing Downtown Taylorville, agreed that with the increased funding from the City, they will support a joint promotional campaign with Taylorville Development Association and assist with the marketing plans for the Taylorville Industrial Park. Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Budd, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Skultety, and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried.

LATE PENALTY FEE FOR LICENSE APPLICANTS

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Bryant to direct the City Attorney to prepare an Ordinance to administer a 30% late penalty fee to any and all license applicants who are delinquent in payment of license fees. Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Budd, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Skultety, and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried.

FY 2023/2024 BUDGETS

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Brown to forward the Lake, Cemetery, HBO, and Airport Budgets to the City Treasurer for further refinement. Finance Chairman Budd noted that Water, Police, Fire, and BDD are the only remaining budgets that need initial approval. The motion carried (7-0).

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Dorchinecz to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. The motion carried (7-0).

## ORDINANCE

### NO PARKING SIGN – EAST SIDE OF CLAY STREET

Motion by Alderman Skultety and seconded by Alderman Wilson to direct the City Attorney to prepare an Ordinance to amend the City Code to place a No Parking Sign on the East side of Clay Street South of West Adams to Maple Alleyway. Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Budd, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Skultety, and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried.

## PAYMENT OF BILLS

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

## BUSINESS FROM THE PUBLIC

The Mayor asked if anyone wished to address the Council. Derek McConnell, AFSCME Union President, discussed the Union's objection to the new Dress Code Policy for City office employees, stating that the Union should have been approached prior to adoption of the policy, and a Labor Relations meeting held to seek input and bargaining from the Union. He is claiming discrimination by the adoption and enforcement of this policy, and demanded that the Council rescind the policy immediately. Kayleigh Boston stated that as a Dispatcher, she felt this was discriminatory and believes that each department should be allowed the opportunity to set their own policy. She has a petition signed by many employees of the City and of other local businesses in support of rescinding the dress code policy. Damon Moore informed the Council that his grandfather, a former Superintendent and Alderman, was covered in tattoos, and he also felt this policy was discriminatory. Crystal Nichols spoke in favor of the employer's right to set such a policy and that it should be followed by the employees; she stated that not all Union employees have an issue with the policy. Josh Nicol is a member of the AFSME Union Executive Board and would like to see discussion opened up between the Union and the Council in regular Labor Relations Meetings.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Skultety to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried (7-0).

The meeting adjourned at 7:52 P.M.