

At the regular meeting held in the Council Chambers by the City Council, May 6, 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 assembled the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

RECOGNITION – THS Girls Track Team

Mayor Barry recognized the IPA Student Leadership Award Recipients and the TJHS Scholastic Bowl Team.

PRESENTATION – Ted Bailey, Energy Consultant

Ted Bailey, Homefield Energy consultant gave a presentation and reviewed all price increases with the Council. This will be placed on the May 20th City Council Agenda for determination on the term and supplier.

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 – Aldermen Bryant, Brown, Dorchinecz, Skultety, Mitchelson, Olive and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Alderman Driskell and seconded by Alderman Brown to approve the regular City Council Meeting held April 15, 2024, the Finance Committee Meeting held April 18 2024, the Ordinance Committee Meeting held April 18, 2024, the Street & Sewer Committee Meeting held April 25, 2024, the Public Facilities Committee Meeting held April 25, 2024, the Emergency Services Committee Meeting held May 2, 2024 and the Personnel Committee Meeting held May 2, 2024. OMNIBUS VOTE. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

ORDINANCE 4242 - APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED BY THE CITY OF TAYLORVILLE (i.e. 2001 Danko International 2000 Gallon Tanker Truck)

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Brown to Approve and Authorize the Execution of and to approve Ordinance 4242 Approving and Authorizing the sale of personal property owned by the City of Taylorville (i.e. 2001 Danko International 2000 Gallon Tanker Truck) Roll Call – Aldermen Bryant, Brown, Driskell, Dorchinecz, Skultety, Mitchelson, Olive, and Mayor Barry voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 8-0.

ORDINANCE 4243- APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT NO. 1 REDEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF TAYLORVILLE & HEARTLAND DEVELOPMENT PARTNERS INC. & CYNTHIA FRISINA (109 S. Washington Street).

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Dorchinecz to Approve and Authorize ordinance 4243, the Execution of a Business Development District No. 1 Redevelopment Agreement by and between City of Taylorville, Illinois and Heartland Development Partners Inc. (109 S. Washington Street). Roll Call – Aldermen Bryant, Brown, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Mitchelson, Skultety, Olive, and Mayor Barry voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 8-0.

ORDINANCE 4244- APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT NO. 1 REDEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF TAYLORVILLE & HEARTLAND DEVELOPMENT PARTNERS INC. & CYNTHIA FRISINA (201 W. Main Cross Street).

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Brown to Approve and Authorize ordinance 4244, the Execution of a Business Development District No. 1 Redevelopment Agreement by and between City of Taylorville, Illinois and Heartland Development Partners Inc. (201 W. Main Cross Street). Roll Call – Aldermen Bryant, Brown, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Mitchelson, Skultety, Olive, and Mayor Barry voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 8-0.

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-1507 -A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZONG EXECUTION OF EASEMENT AGREEMENTS, ETC. (re: Springfield Road/Route 29 water main replacement project).

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Brown to approve Resolution No. 2024 – 1507 Approving and Authorizing the Execution of Easement Agreements, ETC. (re: Springfield Road/Route 29 water main replacement project). Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Driskell, Dorchinecz, Mitchelson, Skultety and Olive voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION THE AGREEMENT (re: Invoice Cloud Biller Agreement)

Motion by Alderman Dorchinecz and seconded by Alderman Driskell to table this matter per advice of Attorney Romano. Roll Call – Aldermen Bryant, Brown, Driskell, Dorchinecz, Mitchelson, Skultety and Olive voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE SPECIAL EVENTS PERMIT FOR THE BAGS TOURNAMENT AT THE CORK N KEG ON MAY 26, 2024.3

Motion by Alderman Skultety and seconded by Alderman Olive to Approve the Special Events Permit – Cork N Keg bags tournament on May 26, 2024. The Mayor announced the motion carried.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE SPECIAL EVENTS PERMIT FOR THE BLACK HORSE POW-WOW TO COLLECT DONATIONS AT MAIN CROSS & WEBSTER STREET ON May 24 & 25, 2024.

Motion by Alderman Skultety and seconded by Alderman Brown to Approve the Special Events Permit – in regard to the Taylorville Black Horse Pow-Wow to collect donations at Main Cross & Webster Steet on May 24 & 25, 2024. The Mayor announced the motion carried.

City Attorney Romano gave updates.

Mayor Barry gave updates and commended the IPA Student Leadership Award Recipients and the TJHS Scholastic Bowl Team. He thanked the Brewer family for their donation of the Dog Park at Manner's Park. Also, thanked the community for attending the Red Bland Little League Parade and the car show on the square.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE –

Motion by Alderman Mitchelson and seconded by Alderman Skultety to direct the Mayor to sign the Indemnification and Hold Harmless Agreement with Hathaway Homes Phase II Limited Partnership for the Hathaway Homes Project. Roll Call – Aldermen Bryant, Brown, Driskell, Dorchinecz, Mitchelson, Skultety and Olive voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

Alderman Mitchelson read a letter he had written and after discussion it was decided to table the motion to Council to discontinue the 3% quarterly payment for Taylorville Main Street (Downtown Taylorville) in October of 2024.. Motion by Alderman Mitchelson and seconded by Alderman Skultety to refer this matter back to the Finance Committee Meeting on May 16th for further discussion. Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Driskell, Mitchelson, Olive and Skultety voted YEA. Alderman Bryant and Dorchinecz voted NAY. The Mayor announced the motion carried 5-2.

STREET & SEWER –

Motion by Alderman Brown and seconded by Alderman Olive to Approve City wide dumpster day for May 18, 2024. The Mayor announced the motion carried.

PERSONNEL-

Motion by Alderman Olive and seconded by Alderman Driskell to authorize and approve bids for Motor Fuel Tax. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Mitchelson to bid and/or advertise the Working Foreman position for the Lake Department. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Brown to bid and/or advertise an Equipment Operator position for the Lake Department. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

No Motion taken on bids for Poplar Street properties. This will be added to the May 20, 2024 City Council Agenda.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

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

At 7:47 P.M. Alderman Bryant dismissed herself from the meeting.

BUSINESS FROM THE PUBLIC

Alderman Skultety addressed the public and offered to join the Downtown/Smalltown Taylorville Committee. Many members from the public including, Tim Sutton, Steve Craggs, John Mollett, Gale Lumb, Pat Kretzer, Jessica Kocurek, Nestor Lopez, and Jessica Franks spoke in regard to Downtown Taylorville.

CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Alderman Driskell and seconded by Alderman Olive to go into closed session, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(11) to discuss the salary schedule for the Police Chief and Deputy Chief positions, and to include the following persons to be present during all or part of such closed session, namely: the Mayor, Aldermen, City Clerk, City Treasurer, and City Attorney (via Zoom). Roll Call – Alderman Brown, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Mitchelson, Olive and Skultety voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 6-0.

The City Council recessed at 8:12 P.M. and went into Closed Session at 8:18 P. M.

Motion by Alderman Brown and seconded by Alderman Mitchelson to return to Open Session.

Roll Call - Aldermen Brown, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Mitchelson, Olive, Skultety, and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried. The City Council returned to Open Session at 8:45 P.M.

Motion by Alderman Skultety and seconded by Alderman Olive to raise the salary of the Deputy Police Chief to \$100,000.00 yearly and the Police Chief to \$110,000.00 yearly. This amount will be retroactive to January 1, 2024. Roll Call – Alderman Brown, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Mitchelson, Olive and Skultety voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 6-0.

The meeting adjourned at 8:47 P.M.