

At the regular meeting held in the Council Chambers by the City Council, April 20, 2020, 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 Alderman Lee Lanzotti. Mayor Barry led the Council and the assembled group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call - Aldermen Budd and Driskell were present in the Council Chambers. Aldermen Bryant, Burtle, Dorchinecz, Lanzotti, Olive, and Skultety reported present through FaceTime due to COVID-19 precautions.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

Motion by Alderman Lanzotti and seconded by Alderman Dorchinecz to approve the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held April 6, 2020. OMNIBUS VOTE

ORDINANCE NO. 3956 - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 3-3-7 OF CHAPTER 3 OF TITLE 3 OF THE TAYLORVILLE CITY CODE (RE: ALLOWING INSTALLMENT LIQUOR LICENSE PAYMENTS BECAUSE OF COVID-19)

Motion by Alderman Driskell and seconded by Alderman Bryant to approve Ordinance No. 3956 - An Ordinance Amending Section 3-3-7 of Chapter 3 of Title 3 of the Taylorville City Code (re: allowing installment liquor license payments because of COVID-19). It was noted that one-third of the payment will be due on June 1, 2020 and the remaining two-thirds will be due on July 1, 2020 due to shut down of all establishments. Roll Call - Aldermen Bryant, Budd, Burtle, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Lanzotti, Olive, and Skultety voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 3957 - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SUBPARAGRAPH I. OF SECTION 7-1-4 OF THE TAYLORVILLE CITY CODE (RE: CABIN RENTAL INCREASES)

Motion by Alderman Dorchinecz and seconded by Alderman Bryant to approve Ordinance No. 3957 - An Ordinance Amending Subparagraph I of Section 7-1-4 of the Taylorville City Code (re: cabin rental increases). Roll Call - Aldermen Bryant, Budd, Burtle, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Lanzotti, Olive, Skultety, and Mayor Barry voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 1448 - A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT TO DEMOLISH PROPERTY (RE: TREVIS PARKER)

Motion by Alderman Dorchinecz and seconded by Alderman Burtle to approve Resolution No. 1448 - A Resolution Authorizing Execution of Easement Agreement. In this new agreement, Mr. Parker has agreed to reimburse the City of Taylorville a total of \$42,000.00 toward this demolition at a rate of \$500.00 per month bank draft beginning May 1, 2020. Roll Call - Aldermen Bryant, Budd, Burtle, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Lanzotti, and Skultety voted YEA. Alderman Olive Abstained. The Mayor announced the motion carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 3958 - ORDINANCE APPROVING THE USE OF BDD TAX FUNDS FOR THE DEMOLITION AND DEBRIS, ETC. REMOVAL WORK CONCERNING THE SAID 204 E. MAIN CROSS PROPERTY

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Dorchinecz to approve Ordinance No. 3958 - Ordinance Approving the Use of BDD Tax Funds for the Demolition and Debris, etc. Removal Work Concerning the said 204 E. Main Cross Property. Roll Call - Aldermen Bryant, Budd, Burtle, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Lanzotti, Olive, Skultety, and Mayor Barry voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried.

AWARD BIDS - CONCRETE, CURB AND GUTTER, SIDEWALKS, FUEL, AND MOWING

Motion by Alderman Dorchinecz and seconded by Alderman Skultety to accept and award bids for Concrete, Curb and Gutter, Sidewalks, Fuel, and Mowing for the period of May 1, 2020 - April 30, 2021 subject to execution of City's form contract and proof of insurance. Bid results are as follows:

- \*Concrete for Curb & Guttering and Sidewalks to be supplied by CCI RediMix
  - Curb & Guttering - SI Mix \$113.00 cubic yard with <4 yard delivery fee of \$50.00
  - Sidewalk - 6 bag mix \$110.00 cubic yard with < 4 yard delivery fee of \$50.00
- \*Curb and Guttering to be provided by Phil Tullis Excavating, Inc.
  - \$5.45 per sq. ft.
- \*Sidewalk Replacement to be provided by Phil Tullis Excavating, Inc.
  - \$31 per linear ft.
- \*Fuel to be supplied by Christian County Farm Supply Company
  - On Road Biodiesel Summer Grade \$1.0552 per gallon
  - On Road Biodiesel Winter Grade \$1.118 per gallon
  - Off Road Biodiesel Summer Grade \$ .9274 per gallon
  - Off Road Biodiesel Winter Grade \$ .903 per gallon
  - Regular Unleaded \$ .6274 per gallon

\*Mowing to be provided by A Cut Above Lawn Care\*\*\*this bid covers the 2020 and 2021 seasons  
\$11,790.00 for 2020 and 2021  
50x150' lot: \$30.00  
100x150' lot: \$60.00

Roll Call - Aldermen Bryant, Budd, Burtle, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Lanzotti, Olive, and Skultety voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried.

#### AWARD LAB TESTING FEES - IEPA DIVISION OF LABORATORY

Motion by Alderman Burtle and seconded by Alderman Budd to accept the quote from and contract with IEPA Division of Laboratory for the 2020-2021 Sampling Period for the sum of \$12,346.12, to include chemical, radiological, and bacteriological sample analysis. Roll Call - Aldermen Bryant, Budd, Burtle, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Lanzotti, Olive, and Skultety voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried.

#### UTV PERMITS

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Budd to direct the City Attorney to amend Subparagraph J. i) of Section 6-9-4 of the Taylorville City Code to increase number of UTV permits by ten to a total number of 35. Mayor Barry stated that Rte. 29 Customs has approached him requesting more permits; they have 5-6 people on a waiting list. He also stated he has been contacted directly by several people who wish to get a permit. This will be an increase in sales tax revenue should they purchase the UTV's locally, as well as an increase in revenue from the sale of the permits. Several Aldermen expressed concern over this as it directly disputes the original Ordinance of a trial period of 25 permits only and the precedence this will set in adding more. City Attorney Romano noted that this action will be retroactive to this date with a ten-day publication period. Roll Call - Aldermen Bryant, Budd, Dorchinecz, and Olive voted YEA. Aldermen Burtle, Driskell, Lanzotti, and Skultety voted NAY. The Mayor voted YEA to break the tie. The Mayor announced the motion carried.

#### 2% UTILITY TAX SPENDING

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Dorchinecz to cease all spending from the 2% Utility Tax Ward Account until further notice. City Attorney Romano stated that if this motion passes, there must be a Special Meeting called to use funds from this account. There will be no new projects at this time. The following projects have had prior approval and will continue: Rich/England Sewer Project, Blackman Easement/Catch Basin, Othelle/Franklin Street Sewer Project, Sunset Drive and Ridge Avenue water lines, and 1600 East to RP Lumber. Roll Call - Aldermen Budd, Dorchinecz, Lanzotti, and Olive voted YEA. Aldermen Bryant, Burtle, Driskell, and Skultety voted NAY. The Mayor voted YEA to break the tie. The Mayor announced the motion carried.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Budd to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Roll Call - Aldermen Bryant, Budd, Burtle, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Lanzotti, Olive, and Skultety voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried.

#### RESIGNATION OF DEPUTY CLERK CINDY DEY

Motion by Alderman Driskell and seconded by Alderman Budd to accept the resignation of Deputy Clerk Cindy Dey, effective May 1, 2020. The motion carried (8-0).

#### HIRING OF CINDY DEY AS INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR MAY 1, 2020-May 31,2020

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Olive to hire Cindy Dey as an independent contractor, and not as any City employee, official, officer, agent or representative, for the period of May 1, 2020 to May 31, 2020 to train her successor in office, and to pay her the lump sum of \$731.00 following satisfactory completion of her aforesaid training services; and with the proviso that she will be solely responsible and shall pay any and all taxes that may be attributable to such \$731.00 contractual payment, and she shall not be entitled to any City work related benefits or compensation. Roll Call - Aldermen Bryant, Budd, Burtle, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Lanzotti, Olive, and Skultety voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

**No Committee Meetings were held due to the COVID-19 Protocols**

#### PAYMENT OF BILLS

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

#### BUSINESS FROM THE PUBLIC

Per the Social Distancing Guidelines, constituents were instructed to email any comments to the Mayor. None were received. Alderman Driskell discussed the many calls she has received regarding opening the lake, lake lots, and campgrounds and implored the Mayor to consider opening on May 1, 2020. It is a City owned lake, not a state park, so she asked that he make a decision independent of the Governor's opinion on closure.

Alderman Burtle thanked the City for their response to assist with the quarantine of Park Glen. He inquired as to the payment for the fence that was erected by Joe Coleman. Mayor Barry stated that he had made an executive decision to have this fence erected and will pay

for it out of the Clean-up Committee at no cost to the City.

Alderman Budd has been approached by some local businesses looking for assistance with rent/lease and utility payments. There may be an option for using BDD Funds for this emergency. A spending limit would need to be set. Mayor Barry also informed the Council that there is a DCEO Grant available to local businesses for assistance. The City will need to participate in the application process. He has been in contact with a grant writer who will complete the applications for a fee of \$25.00 per hour, with an estimated time of 25-30 hours to complete; Treasurer Nation will assist the grant writer. Again, he stated that this would be no cost to the City and would be paid from his Clean-up Committee.

#### CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Driskell to go into Closed Session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (2) to discuss collective negotiating matters between the City and Police employees and their union representatives, and deliberations concerning salary schedules for such employees; and to further discuss any and all subject matters relating to any and all of the aforesaid subject matters thereto including, but not limited to, settlement negotiation, offers, issues and strategy, and to include, if present, the following persons to be present in person or by Facetime or teleconference during all or part of such closed session, namely: the Mayor, Aldermen, City Clerk, City Treasurer, Human Resource Manager, City Attorney, and such other person or persons as the Mayor may decide during this City Council Meeting and/or during such closed session.

Also to go into Closed Session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (1) and (c) (3) to discuss the selection and appointment of Kayla Schneider to fill the position of a police officer, and the employment and compensation for such person; and to further discuss any and all subject matters relating thereto, and to include, if present, the following persons to be present in person or by FaceTime or teleconference during all or part of such closed session, namely: the Mayor, Aldermen, City Clerk, City Attorney, City Treasurer, Human Resource Manager, Police Chief, 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 8:20 P.M. and went into Closed Session at 8:21 P.M. The City Council returned to Open Session at 9:00 P.M.

Roll Call - Aldermen Bryant, Budd, Burtle, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Lanzotti, Olive, and Skultety reported present.

#### APPROVE HIRING OF POLICE OFFICER KAYLA SCHNEIDER

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Driskell to hire Kayla Schneider to fill the position of Police Officer effective May 24, 2020 to enter the Police Academy at the starting salary rate of the current contract in place at the time of hire. Roll Call - Aldermen Bryant, Burtle, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Lanzotti, Olive, and Skultety voted YEA. Alderman Budd voted NAY. The Mayor announced the motion carried.

Motion by Alderman Olive and seconded by Alderman Driskell to adjourn. Motion carried (8-0).

The meeting adjourned at 9:03 P.M.