

## LAKE/AIRPORT COMMITTEE

August 13, 2020

### MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairman Dorchinecz  
Alderman Budd  
Alderman Skultety  
Alderman Burtle

### ALSO PRESENT

Mayor Barry  
Superintendent Ortman  
Alderman Olive  
Alderman Bryant  
HBO Goodall  
Dave Speagle  
Kellie Hamell  
Damon Moore

Owen Lasswell  
Tammy Rogers  
Traci Bentley  
Jacque Nation  
Superintendent Ortman  
Megan Bryant  
Andrea Conrath  
Valerie Miles  
See Attachment:

Chairman Dorchinecz called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

### PRIVATIZATION OF LAKE MARINA

Chairman Dorchinecz addressed the issue of privatizing the Marina and opened discussion to the Committee. Mayor Barry is in support of the idea of Privatizing and questions if the City can make any money if it continues to be run the way it is. Alderman Budd originally thought privatizing would be the way to go, but has since changed his mind and would like to see the City try to make improvements. Alderman Skultety agreed and recommended the Marina be turned over to the City Clerk's Office, and he feels as though the office can implement more and can expand over time.

Chairman Dorchinecz opened the floor to the audience. Casey Campbell and Greg Matthews expressed interest in taking over the Marina and spoke to the Committee with a description of some of the plans they have to improve it. Josh Assad also expressed interest in taking over the Marina and explained to the Committee the ideas he had to improve the Marina. There were several other members of the audience that presented ideas to improve things at the Marina. Superintendent Ortman advised that he is 50/50 on his opinion of privatizing, but if the Clerk's Office can do it he would support it.

### LAKE LOT/CAMPGROUND PROCESS

Chairman Dorchinecz opened discussion with the Committee and audience in reference to the waiting list for the Lake Lots and the Campgrounds. Mayor Barry advised that he has had many calls and emails from people stating that they have been removed or dropped down from their spot the previous year. After some discussion, Chairman Dorchinecz advised that he would like anyone with ideas on how to improve the waiting list to forward those ideas to the City Clerk's Office.

### DUCK BLIND AND DEER DRAWING

Superintendent Ortman advised the Committee that the Duck Blind Drawing & Deer Drawing at Lake Taylorville will be held on September 9, 2020. The sign up for Youth Deer Hunting will begin at 5:45 p.m. with the Duck Drawing directly following at 6:00 p.m. City residents will have first choice, followed by residents from outside City limits. This will be contingent upon receipt of all necessary documents. There are no changes to the current rules. The Deer Drawing will be done after the Youth and Duck Drawing. The Event will be advertised in the local newspaper.

### REVENUE FOR DREDGING OF LAKE

Alderman Dorchinecz proposed implementing two industrial water rates to be used for the dredging of the Lake, a commercial rate and one as all other. He also explained that originally the new water rates were increased to a price that would amortize the loan from the IEPA for a twenty-year loan. Therefore, the profit from the sale of water should be enough to take some of that profit and put it in the Lake Restoration Fund for dredging the Lake. After discussion between the Aldermen and Superintendent Speagle, it was recommended that this issue be put on the Agenda for the September 10, 2020 Committee Meeting.

It was brought to the attention of Committee Members that a motion needed to be made to direct the funds from the money collected for adding a second camper to Lake Lots to be transferred to the Lake Restoration Fund.

Motion was made by Alderman Skultety and seconded by Alderman Burtle to recommend to the City Council to approve the money collected from adding a second camper to Lake Lots to be transferred by Treasurer Nation to the Lake Restoration Fund. Motion carried 4-0.

### **LOCATION OF TENT CAMPING**

Superintendent Ortman asked the Committee for approval to move the Tent Camping area back to its original location. He advised that the new location is not working well for campers and also cause issues for the Lake workers with mowing. He also advised that the original area is closer to the bathrooms and laundry. The issue of parking was discussed, with the Mayor suggested that campers park on the North edge of the Marina parking lot.

Motion was made by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Skultety to recommend to the City Council to approve the request for the Tent Camping Area to be relocated to the original location. Motion carried 4-0.

### **SERVICE CONNECT PROCEDURE**

The current procedure for Service Connects for Disabled Veterans was discussed by the Committee. It was decided that the procedure would follow how it is written in the Ordinance for the remainder of the season and the issue would be revisited then to discuss costs.

### **LAKE SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Superintendent Ortman advised that he is familiarizing himself with the procedures and paperwork for the Lake. He also advised that the Lake workers are preparing for the upcoming Labor Day Holiday, mowing Lake Lot roads and fixing potholes on the Lake roads. There are ongoing problems with the Kubota mower, and in the future he would like to discuss the possibility of purchasing a new mower.

### **AIRPORT RUNWAY**

HBO Goodall advised the Committee that there was a meeting with IDOT in reference to the Taxiway at the Airport. It is currently 60 feet wide and they are wanting to reduce it to 35 feet wide. This project also includes relocating the beacon tower.

### **AIRPORT REPORT**

HBO Goodall reported that he had a meeting with IDOT for the Taxiway, also annual testing for fuel was done on Avgas and Jet fuel with both passing inspection. There was an FAA inspection on the ramp and the Solar Energy Production saved the City \$525.31 for the month of July. There were also some minor repairs made around the Airport. HBO Goodall asked the Committee to consider some extra compensation to him if he is to continue handling the duties at the Airport as well as his duties for HBO.

### **ANY OTHER MATTERS**

Valerie Miles advised the Committee that HBO Goodall was doing a good job with the Airport duties, but recommended that the City consider hiring Bill Newberry back for training purposes. Chairman Dorchinecz advised that we need to wait until it is decided how we are proceeding with the management of the Airport before making any decisions.

Motion by Alderman Skultety and seconded by Alderman Burtle to adjourn. Motion carried 4-0. Meeting adjourned at 9:19 P.M.

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Ernie Dorchinecz, Chairman  
Lake/Airport Committee

Casey Campbell  
Greg Matthews  
Tim McCardle  
Shawn Mitchell  
Holly Cahill  
Alan Mills  
Stephanie Streitmatter  
Mike Mann  
Ashley Combs  
Chris Garrett

John Spurgeon  
Don Beccue  
Sharon Beccue  
Chris Biondolino  
Alexis Hoehn  
Mindy Mills  
Kirsten Nelson  
Josh Assad  
Lisa Sheedy

Michelle Jostes  
Steven DeClerck  
Patty Hornbuckle  
Don Hoehn  
Tenny Kalb  
Bill Jones  
Christian Nelson  
Anthony Price  
Rod Sheedy