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Meeting Date : 14 January 2002 7:00 P.M.

On The Agenda

1. Minutes of prior meetings
2. Police Report
3. Public comments
4. Commissioners reports
5. Communications
6. Unfinished business
7. Approval of bills
8. New business

A. Approve notice of award to Korte & Luitjohan Contractors, Inc. for East Meadows Pump Station replacement.

9. Adjourn

Meeting Minutes

Present: Y Mayor Taylor N Commissioner Smith Y Commissioner Wendling N Commissioner White Y Commissioner Zeigler

Also present were Police Chief Mark Walker and City Clerk Helen Moll.

1. Prior minutes were read and approved

2. Public comments
3. Routine Business
4. Police Chief Mark Walker gave the report of the Police Department activities for the month of December.
5. On January 7 four bids were received and opened for East Meadows Pump Station replacement, the call for bids having been advertised in the Altamont Independent on December 17th, 2001 and the Altamont News on December 18th, 2001. On the recommendation of Curry and Associates Engineers, Inc. and on a motion by Com. Wendling and seconded by Com. Zeigler, the bid of Korte & Luitjohan Contractors, Inc. in the amount of \$55,461.00 was accepted. Members voted as follows: Com. Wendling - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
6. The Annual Report for the fiscal year ending April 30, 2001 was received from the auditors on December 24, 2001 and distributed to Council members at the regular Council Meeting held on December 26, 2001 for their study. Having been given time to study same, on a motion by Com. Wendling and seconded by Com. Zeigler, the Council approved the Annual Report prepared by Daughhetee & Parks, P.C. as submitted. Members voted as follows: Members voted as follows: Com. Wendling - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
7. Adjourned

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Meeting Date : 28 January 2002 6:30 P.M.

On The Agenda

1. Minutes of prior meetings
2. Public comments
3. Commissioners reports
4. Communications
5. Unfinished business
6. Approval of bills
7. New business
 - A. *Consider Variance of Business sign at 1 E. Jefferson Ave. per Zoning Board recommendation and Ordinance on same, Ordinance No. VA-804.*
8. Adjourn

Meeting Minutes

Present: Y Mayor Taylor Y Commissioner Smith N Commissioner Wendling N Commissioner White Y Commissioner Zeigler

Also present were Dr. Stephen Bailey, Clyde Barr, The Altamont News, Rana Connolly, The Effingham Daily News and Helen Moll, City Clerk.

1. Prior minutes were read and approved
2. Public comments
3. Routine Business
4. A request for Variance by Dr. Stephen Bailey of Bailey Family Chiropractic, to

modify the setback for a freestanding sign by his place of Business at 1 E. Jefferson Ave., was presented to the council. The Zoning Board of Appeals recommended this variance for approval on January 23rd, 2002. On a motion by Com. Smith and seconded by Com. Zeigler, the Council approved Ordinance No. VA804, a variance permit specifying and approving the above subject. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.

5. Mayor Taylor told the Council a "Thank You" from the Effingham County Chapter of the American Red Cross had been received expressing appreciation for the donation from the City of Altamont for financial support for the September 11th tragedy.
6. Com. Smith informed the Council that Public Works Superintendent and his crew have been working on playground equipment in the parks and have listed items to be repaired or replaced. On a motion by Com. Smith and seconded by Com. Zeigler, the Council approved the expenditure of \$4,931.00 for playground equipment, the largest to be a merry-go-round in Schmidt Park. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
7. Adjourn

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Meeting Date : 11 February 2002 7:00 P.M.

On The Agenda

1. Minutes of prior meetings
2. Police Report
3. Public comments
4. Commissioners reports
5. Communications
6. Unfinished business
7. Approval of bills
8. New business
 - A. *Discuss possible waterline extension from water tower, south past Interstate 70.*
 - B. *Discussion of GIS mapping of the City of Altamont*
 - C. *Review of intergovernmental agreement concerning the Altamont Enterprise Zone.*
 - D. *Possible Executive Session to discuss possible litigation.*
9. Adjourn

Meeting Minutes

Present: Y Mayor Taylor Y Commissioner Smith Y Commissioner Wendling Y Commissioner White Y Commissioner Zeigler

Also present were Police Chief Mark Walker, Rana Connolly, Effingham Daily News and City Clerk Helen Moll.

1. Prior minutes were read and approved
2. Public comments

3. Routine Business
4. Police Chief Mark Walker gave the report of the Police Department activities for the month of January.
5. The Council discussed the proposed extension of a 12" water main from the water tower along the old B&O Railroad to the north limits of Frederking's Subdivision. The replacement of the existing line would improve water pressure which is not low but not great, replace old undersize lines, valves and hydrants and would permit Roger's Custom Cabinets and Millwork to install a sprinkler system. To hire a contractor the cost would be \$214,885, including valve interconnects, plus or minus \$3000. There is the possibility of a grant for assistance in this project.
6. Information on GIS - Geographic Information System has been received and a discussion was made of having topographical maps developed of the city by the same company that was hired recently by Effingham and Jasper Counties. Mayor Taylor presented the Council with information of GIS as well as a breakdown of how each department in the city would benefit from the mapping. The Council discussed information at hand and the fact that the city could get better pricing if they decide to use this company while it is working with the county. It was also noted this would need to be done while there are no leaves on the trees.
7. Altamont Enterprise Zone Intergovernmental Agreement with the Villages of Dieterich, Farina, Beecher City and Fayette, Effingham Counties was presented to the Council for members to study and consider. The Council is expected to make a decision at it's next meeting.
8. Com. White reported that a work crew from Vandalia Correctional Center has been here cleaning brush and saplings around the North & South Sewer Lagoons and are doing a good job.
9. Com. Wendling reported that Eric Morris has been appointed to a Pole Attachment Steering Committee. Several I.M.E.A. Member Cities are involved in this project.
10. On a motion by Com. Wendling and seconded by Com. Zeigler, the Council approved a permit request from Laborers Local 1048 Roadblock for Disabled Children on May 17th from 4pm until dusk and on May 18th from 8am until 1pm. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Y, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
11. At 8:07pm on a motion by Com. Wendling and seconded by Com. Smith, the Council went into Executive Session to discuss possible litigation. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Y, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
12. At 8:22pm on a motion by Com. White and seconded by Com. Wendling, the Council returned to regular session. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Y, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
13. On a motion by Com. Wendling and seconded by Com. White, the Council approved having the City Attorney prepare a lien on the remaining lots in South Tower Acres Subdivision for an unpaid monetary commitment to the City of Altamont. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Y, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
14. Adjourned

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Meeting Date : 25 February 2002 7:00 P.M.

On The Agenda

1. Minutes of prior meetings
2. Public comments
3. Commissioners reports
4. Communications
5. Unfinished business
6. Approval of bills
7. New business
 - A. *Discuss mowing - 2002 Mowing Season*
8. Adjourn

Meeting Minutes

Present: Y Mayor Taylor Y Commissioner Smith N Commissioner Wendling Y Commissioner White Y Commissioner Zeigler

Also present were Altamont resident Jim Baker and City Clerk Helen Moll.

1. Prior minutes were read and approved
2. Public comments
3. Routine Business
4. On a motion by Com. Zeigler and seconded by Com. White, the Council approved entering into an agreement with Bruce Harris and Associates for Geographical Information System Mapping of the City as discussed at the February 11th Council Meeting. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Y, Com. White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
5. On a motion by Com. White and seconded by Com. Smith, the Council authorized Mayor Taylor to sign the necessary paperwork in regards to the Altamont Enterprise Zone Intergovernmental Agreement along with other authorities. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Y, Com. White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
6. On a motion by Com. Smith and seconded by Com. White, the Council approved a quote for mowing from Only-To-Go Mowing Service, Linda Ballinger, for \$1,100.00 per mowing which includes Gilbert Park, 4 Ball Diamonds, Heritage Park, Schmidt Park, Municipal Building, Triangle, Union Cemetery and no charge for the Frog Pond location and Parking Lot at 2 S. Third Street. This is a firm price for 5 years. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Y, Com. White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
7. On a motion by Com. Smith and seconded by Com. Zeigler, the Council approved the closing of W. Washington Street at the north end of the Triangle on March 30th for porkburger sales by the Boy Scouts, Alan Shumaker, leader, from 10:30 AM until 2:00 PM. This is a firm price for 5 years. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Y, Com. White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
8. Com. White presented a letter received from Illinois Environmental Protection Agency in regard to the Priority Lake and Watershed Implementation Program.
9. Adjourned

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Meeting Date : 11 March 2002 7:00 P.M.

On The Agenda

1. Minutes of prior meetings
2. Public comments
3. Commissioners reports
4. Communications
5. Unfinished business
6. Approval of bills
7. New business
 - A. *Approve Audit Report No. 65 - Motor Fuel Tax Funds*
 - B. *Approve Resolution appropriating \$3,800.00 of Motor Fuel Tax Funds for engineering for East Division Street Resurfacing*
8. Adjourn

Meeting Minutes

Present: Y Mayor Taylor N Commissioner Smith Y Commissioner Wendling Y Commissioner White Y Commissioner Zeigler

Also present were Josh Wohltman from a High School Government Class and City Clerk Helen Moll.

1. Prior minutes were read and approved
2. Public comments
3. Routine Business
4. On a motion by Com. Zeigler and seconded by Com. Wendling, Motor Fuel Audit Report No. 65 was presented and approved. Members voted as follows: Com. Wendling - Y, Com. White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
5. The Electric Department was commended on the good job they did in restarting service on Saturday, March 9th during outages when we were experiencing very strong winds.
6. On a motion by Com. Wendling and seconded by Com. White, Jeremiah Colman, an Electric Department employee, will be paid \$8.50 per hour effective April 1. Due to a resignation in the department, Jeremiah will assume more responsibility. Members voted as follows: Com. Wendling - Y, Com. White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
7. In regard to Wireless Internet Service for Altamont residents the following motion was made by Com. Wendling and seconded by Com. White. Approval for the Electric Department to install a telecommunications tower south of the creek in Gilbert Park, lease antenna space to PD Computers in exchange for internet service to city offices and lease excess tower space to telecommunications and internet providers as available. Members voted as follows: Com. Wendling - Y, Com. White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
8. Adjourned

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Meeting Date : 25 March 2002 7:00 P.M.

On The Agenda

1. Minutes of prior meetings
2. Police Report
2. Public comments
3. Commissioners reports
4. Communications
5. Unfinished business
6. Approval of bills
7. New business
 - A. *Approve Engineering Services Agreement for Motor Fuel Tax Funds for East Division Street resurfacing.*
 - B. *Approve appointment of Bill Wendling to Altamont Library Board.*
 - C. *Approve Alcoholic Beverage Permit - July 6, 2002.*
 - D. *Approve week of June 3 - 7 for Spring Clean-up Days.*
 - E. *Approve Daughhetee & Parks, P.C. Audit Proposal for Fiscal Year 2002.*
 - F. *Review Zoning Board's Advisory Report on VA-815. Take action on VA-815, a Request For Variation of setback at 104 E. Lincoln Ave.*
 - G. *Review Zoning Board's Advisory Report on VA-817. Take action on VA-817, a Request For Variation of setback and rear yard coverage at 301 N. Main St.*
8. Adjourn

Meeting Minutes

Present: Y Mayor Taylor Y Commissioner Smith Y Commissioner Wendling N Commissioner White Y Commissioner Zeigler

Also present were Police Chief Mark Walker, Jason Weiss from J.D.'s PCS, Rana Connolly from The Effingham Daily News and City Clerk Helen Moll.

1. Prior minutes were read and approved
2. Public comments
3. Routine Business
4. Police Chief Mark Walker gave the report of the Police Department activities for the month of February.
On a motion by Com. Zeigler and seconded by Com. Wendling, engineering services with Milano & Grunloh Engineers with MFT funds for East Division Street resurfacing were approved. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Y, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
5. On a motion by Com. Smith and seconded by Com. Wendling, Bill Wendling was named a member of the Altamont Library Board to fill a vacancy due to a resignation. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Y, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
6. On a motion by Com. Wendling and seconded by Com. Smith, an Alcoholic Beverage Permit for July 6th for a Roedl Family Reunion at No. 3 Pavilion in Schmidt Park, with Gale Roedl applying, was approved. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Y, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
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- On a motion by Com. Zeigler and seconded by Com. White, Annual Spring Clean-Up Days were set for June 3 through June 7 with the following schedule: northwest section of City on June 3, northeast section on June 4, southeast section on June 5, southwest section on June 6 and wrap-up on June 7, with Main Street and CSX Railroad as the dividing lines. Businesses will be included in the pick-up. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - N, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
8. On a motion by Com. Smith and seconded by Com. Zeigler, Daughhetee & Parks, P.C. were approved to provide the City of Altamont audit for the fiscal year ending April 30, 2002 for a fee of \$4,700.00. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Y, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
9. The Council considered a Variance Request, VA-815, for property at 104 East Lincoln Ave. to allow variance of the 18 ft. setback to +/-16 ft. on the north line adjoining East Lincoln Ave. which variance had been approved by the Zoning Board of Appeals. On a motion by Com. Wendling and seconded by Com. Smith, the Council approved the recommendation of the Zoning Board of Appeals on the above. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Y, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
10. The Council considered a Variance Request, VA-817, for property described as Lot 11 Block 3 of E.H. Ehler's Addition to City of Altamont, 301 North Main St. Zoning Board of Appeals recommended reducing the size of the building, placement on the lot and that the existing sewer line be relocated prior to construction. On a motion by Com. Wendling and seconded by Com. Zeigler, the Council approved the recommendation of the Zoning Board of Appeals on the above. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Y, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
11. Jason Weiss of J.D.'s was present to discuss with the Council what he had to offer and to be given the opportunity to bid if the need arises for his services.
12. Com. Smith was given the go ahead to find someone to clean restrooms, remove trash and work ball diamonds at Gilbert Park, which would be a daily requirement including weekends.
13. Adjourned
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Meeting Date : 8 April 2002 7:00 P.M.

On The Agenda

1. Minutes of prior meetings
2. Public comments
3. Commissioners reports
4. Communications
5. Unfinished business
6. Approval of bills
7. New business

A. Approve Ordinance amending the Altamont Enterprise Zone by action of the

City of Altamont, Illinois.

B. Discuss Employees health insurance - May 1 renewal

C. Discuss budget items

D. Discuss confined space issue

E. Approve Ordinance No. VA-815 - Variance Permit

F. Approve Ordinance No. VA-817 - Variance Permit

8. Adjourn

Meeting Minutes

Present: Y Mayor Taylor Y Commissioner Smith Y Commissioner Wendling Y Commissioner White Y Commissioner Zeigler

Also present were Rana Connolly from The Effingham Daily News, Michele Anderson, Megan Siddens and Ryan Zacha from a High School Government Class and City Clerk Helen Moll.

1. Prior minutes were read and approved with one minor correction which has been made.
2. Public comments
3. Routine Business
4. On a motion by Com. Zeigler and seconded by Com. White, a Resolution for Improvement by Municipality Under the Illinois Highway Code for the resurfacing of East Division Street from Main Street to the East Corporate Limits was approved. Members voted as follows to approve this Resolution: Com. Smith - Yes, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. White - Yes, Com. Zeigler - Yes and Mayor Taylor - Yes.
5. On a motion by Com. Wendling and seconded by Com. Zeigler, Ordinance No. VA-815 Variance Permit and Ordinance No. VA-817 Variance Permit were approved. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Yes, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. White - Yes, Com. Zeigler - Yes and Mayor Taylor - Yes.
6. On a motion by Com. Smith and seconded by Com. Wendling, Ordinance No. 354-02, an Ordinance Amending the Altamont Enterprise Zone by action of the City of Altamont, Illinois was passed and approved. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Yes, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. White - Yes, Com. Zeigler - Yes and Mayor Taylor - Yes.
7. On a motion by Com. White and seconded by Com. Smith, the Council voted to discontinue the policy of having Altamont City Employees entering areas deemed "Permit Required Confined Spaces". Until such time that the Council changes the policy, only contracted companies, having the necessary equipment, training and expertise to enter "Permit Required Confined Spaces" will be allowed in such areas. All employees will be required to sign a statement in regard to this policy. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Yes, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. White - Yes, Com. Zeigler - Yes and Mayor Taylor - Yes.
8. The Council discussed employee health insurance with American Community Insurance Co. which is due for renewal on May 1. Mayor Taylor has discussed with Bill Myers of Althoff Unlimited, Effingham, broker for American Community. The billing, as presented, indicates an approximate 16.4% increase, which includes 80% out of network. If we would agree to 70% out of network, the increase would be approximately 10%. Following discussion and on a motion by Com. White and seconded by Com. Wendling, the Council agreed to have the billing changed to 70%

out of network to reduce the increase to near 10%. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Yes, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. White - Yes, Com. Zeigler - Yes and Mayor Taylor - Yes.

9. Com. Smith, as per permission given her at the last Council meeting, stated that Jacob Falk would be employed for work at Gilbert Park.
10. On a motion by Com. Zeigler and seconded by Com. Smith, the Council went into Executive Session at 7:33 P.M. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Yes, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. Zeigler - Yes and Mayor Taylor - Yes. No vote by Com. White as he had to leave the meeting at this time due to an emergency.
11. On a motion by Com. Zeigler and seconded by Com. Smith, the Council returned to Regular Session at 8:36 P.M. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Yes, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. Zeigler - Yes and Mayor Taylor - Yes.
12. On a motion by Com. Smith and seconded by Com. Zeigler, the Council approved tabling salary increases for City of Altamont Employees. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Yes, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. Zeigler - Yes and Mayor Taylor - Yes.
13. Adjourned

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Meeting Date : 22 April 2002 7:00 P.M.

On The Agenda

1. Minutes of prior meetings
2. Police report
3. Public comments
4. Commissioners reports
5. Communications
6. Unfinished business
7. Approval of bills
8. New business
 - A. *Approve Alcoholic Beverage Permit - June 1, 2002*
9. Adjourn

Meeting Minutes

Present: Y Mayor Taylor Y Commissioner Smith Y Commissioner Wendling Y Commissioner White N Commissioner Zeigler

Also present were Rana Connolly from The Effingham Daily News, Police Chief Mark Walker, Government Class students Jason Evans, Matthew LeCrone, Dane Milleville, Derek Bowman and City Clerk Helen Moll.

1. Prior minutes were read and approved with one minor correction which has been made.
2. Police Chief Walker gave the report of the Police Department activities for the Month March.
3. Public comments
4. Routine Business

5. On a motion by Com. Wendling and seconded by Com. White, the Council approved an Alcoholic Beverage Permit for Dave & Pete's Car Show at the American Legion Pavilion in Lions Addition to Schmidt Park on June 1, 2002, with Cheri Hammer applying. Members voted as follows to approve this permit: Com. Smith - Yes, Com. Wendling - Yes, Com. White - Yes and Mayor Taylor - Yes.
6. On a motion by Com. Smith and seconded by Com. Wendling, the Council approved City of Altamont employee rate adjustments as discussed. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Yes, Com. Wendling - Yes, Com. White - Yes and Mayor Taylor - Yes.
7. Adjourned

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Meeting Date : 13 May 2002 7:00 P.M.

On The Agenda

1. Minutes of prior meetings
2. Police report
3. Public comments
4. Commissioners reports
5. Communications
6. Unfinished business
7. Approval of bills
8. New business
 - A. *Approve Resolution approving plat of survey for Yagow's Addition*
 - B. *Approve Resolution for 2002 maintenance program - Motor Fuel Funds*
 - C. *Approve street closings for Memorial Day Parade - May 27th*
 - D. *Resolution concerning state income tax and photo processing shared with city.*
 - E. *Discussion about the City of Altamont supporting the Altamont Chamber of Commerce taking over the Illinois High School Rodeo in year 2003*
 - F. *Approve All Service Contracting Corp. to furnish carbon*
 - G. *Approve job: Street and approach to the Folding Bleacher Co. and Gilbert Park. Approximately 7,363 S.F.*
9. Adjourn

Meeting Minutes

Present: Y Mayor Taylor N Commissioner Smith Y Commissioner Wendling N Commissioner White Y Commissioner Zeigler

Also present were Leigh Ann Stuckemeyer, Carol Kassel and Tom Rector, residents of Southmore Heights; also Terri Branson and Doug Holman from Marten Heights Subdivision, Clyde Barr from the Altamont News Banner; Police Chief Mark Walker and City Clerk Helen Moll.

1. Prior minutes were read and approved
2. Police Chief Walker gave the report of the Police Department activities for the Month April.

3. Public comments
4. Routine Business
5. The Southmore Heights and Marten Heights Subdivision residents were present to discuss the water problems they experienced during the very heavy rainfall the City experienced lately, especially Sunday, May 12. Flooding conditions were prevalent throughout the City due to the amount of rainfall in a short period of time. Efforts planned to alleviate some of the areas experiencing flooding were discussed, with Mayor Taylor stating, in some situations the problem can be helped, but not necessarily solved.
6. On a motion by Com. Wendling and seconded by Com. Zeigler the Council approved an Alcoholic Beverage Permit for a wedding reception of the Johnson Family on May 18th with Dorsey Johnson applying. Members voted as follows: Com. Wendling - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
7. On a motion by Com. Wendling and seconded by Com. Zeigler the Council approved a Resolution approving Plat of Survey for Yagow's Addition. Members voted as follows: Com. Wendling - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
8. On a motion by Com. Zeigler and seconded by Com. Wendling the Council approved the following street closings for the Memorial Day Parade on Monday, May 27. Close: High school parking lot for parade assembly, Division from Ewing to Main and Main from Division to Union Cemetery.. No Parking on Main Street from Division to Railroad from 10:00 A.M. to end of parade. Police Officers will be needed. Members voted as follows: Com. Wendling - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
9. On a motion by Com. Zeigler and seconded by Com. Wendling the Council endorses the Altamont Chamber of Commerce efforts to take over the Illinois High School Rodeo in 2003. Members voted as follows: Com. Wendling - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
10. On a motion by Com. Wendling and seconded by Com. Zeigler the Council approved "All Service Contracting Corp" to provide carbon for the Water Plant for a total delivered price of \$7,400.00, also removal and installation in the amount of \$7,100.00 was also approved. Members voted as follows: Com. Wendling - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
11. On a motion by Com. Zeigler and seconded by Com. Wendling the Council approved the Resolution for Maintenance of Streets and Highways by Municipality Under the Illinois Highway Code for 2002. Members voted as follows: Com. Wendling - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
12. On a motion by Com. Zeigler and seconded by Com. Wendling the Council approved a Resolution going on record in strong opposition to reducing state shared revenues, especially the state income tax and photo processing tax, to Illinois Municipalities. Members voted as follows: Com. Wendling - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
13. On a motion by Com. Zeigler and seconded by Com. Wendling the Council approved the proposal from Effingham Asphalt Co. for the street and approach to Folding Bleacher Co. and Gilbert Park approximately 7,363 S.F. for \$14,078.00. Members voted as follows: Com. Wendling - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
14. On a motion by Com. Wendling and seconded by Com. Zeigler the Council approved closing Washington Street at the north end of the Triangle from 10:00 A.M. until 1:30 P.M. on Monday, May 27 for porkburger sales. This is at the request of the Lady Squazz Basketball Team. Members voted as follows: Com. Wendling - Y, Com.

Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.

15. On a motion by Com. Wendling and seconded by Com. Zeigler the Council approved the purchase of a Canon IR2200 digital copier from Ikon Office Solutions for a total of \$6,835.00. The Savin 9020 copier now in the Clerk's office will be moved to the Police Department. Members voted as follows: Com. Wendling - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
16. On a motion by Com. Zeigler and seconded by Com. Wendling, Jason Weiss was named to the Zoning Board to replace Phil Schultz, who asked to be replaced. Members voted as follows: Com. Wendling - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
17. Com. Wendling reported that Dan Veach will be hired to fill a vacancy in the Electric Department beginning May 20 at a rate of \$8.50 per hour.
18. Adjourned

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Meeting Date : 29 May 2002 7:00 P.M.

On The Agenda

1. Minutes of prior meetings
2. Public comments
3. Commissioners reports
4. Communications
5. Unfinished business
6. Approval of bills
7. New business
 - A. *Reminder of articles not included in Annual Spring Clean-Up Days - tires, asbestos, batteries and paint cans. June 3-7*
 - B. *Special liquor license - Altamont Softball, Inc.*
 - C. *Present budget*
 - D. *Discuss proposed annexations to the City of Altamont*
8. Adjourn

Present: Y Mayor Taylor Y Commissioner Smith N Commissioner Wendling N Commissioner White Y Commissioner Zeigler

Also present were Rana Connolly from the Effingham Daily News and City Clerk Helen Moll.

1. Prior minutes were read and approved
2. Public comments
3. Routine Business
4. The Council asked that residents be reminded that no tires, asbestos, batteries or paint cans will be accepted during Spring Clean-Up Days scheduled for June 3 through June 7.
5. On a motion by Com. Smith and seconded by Com. Zeigler, the Council approved Special Liquor License No. SP-24 for Altamont Softball Inc. for the softball

tournament on June 21, 22, 23 and June 28, 29, 30 with July 4 as rain date. Members voted as follows to approve the license: Com. Smith - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.

6. Ordinances annexing city property presently not in the city limits were presented, namely North and South Wastewater Treatment Plants, Union Cemetery and an area East of Rt 128 in the vicinity of the South Wastewater Treatment Plant with the necessary procedures to be forthcoming.
7. On a motion by Com. Zeigler and seconded by Com. Smith, the Council set June 19 at 10:00 A.M. for bid opening for material for maintenance of streets with Motor Fuel Tax funds. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
8. On a motion by Com. Zeigler and seconded by Com. Smith, the Council approved the final payment to Howell Paving & Howell Asphalt Co. for Main Street resurfacing. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
9. Members asked that Altamont Residents be reminded that grass clippings from mowing are not to be thrown out into the streets. This practice causes drains to be clogged when rain occurs and they are washed down into the drains. Also a reminder that there is to be no burning after 4:00 P.M.
10. Compliments have been received by Council members on the flags being flown from city light poles. Mayor Taylor stated that plans are to extend these North to Union Cemetery.
11. A Proclamation will be prepared declaring Saturday, June 1 a Meadowlark Lemon Day and proclaiming him as an Honary Citizen of the City of Altamont. This is in recognition of his efforts and time spent with the youth of the city. He has been in Altamont previously and will return, stating he was impressed with the youth here and this will be the first time he has made a return visit to any area.
12. Adjourned

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Meeting Date : 10 June 2002 6:30 P.M.

On The Agenda

1. Minutes of prior meetings
2. Police Report
3. Public comments
4. Commissioners reports
5. Communications
6. Unfinished business
7. Approval of bills
8. New business
 - A. *Public Hearing on FY 2003 Appropriation Ordinance prior to Regular Meeting at 7:00 P.M.*
 - B. *Resolution - Fair Parade sponsored by Effingham County Fair Association*
 - C. *Approve Payment to Korte & Luitjohan Contractors, Inc. - East Meadows*

Pump Station - \$7,561.80

8. Adjourn

Meeting Minutes

Present: Y Mayor Taylor N Commissioner Smith Y Commissioner Wendling N Commissioner White Y Commissioner Zeigler

The Council of the City of Altamont convened at 6:30 P.M. Monday, June 10, 2002 for a Public Hearing prior to the regular meeting at 7:00 P.M. The purpose of the hearing was to present FY2003 Appropriation Ordinance and give all interested parties the right to provide written and/or oral comments regarding the Ordinance. Notice of the Public Hearing was published in the Altamont Independent on May 27 and the Altamont News on May 28. There being none from the public in attendance and consequently no questions or comments, the hearing was declared closed at 6:47 P.M. on a motion by Com. Wendling and seconded by Com. Zeigler. Members voted as follows: Com. Wendling - Y, Com Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.

Also present was City Clerk Helen Moll.

The regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M.

1. Prior minutes were read and approved
2. Public comments
3. Routine Business
4. On a motion by Com. Zeigler and seconded by Com. Wendling, the Council approved a Resolution on a Fair Parade sponsored by the Effingham County Fair Association. Members voted as follows to approve the resolution: Com. Wendling - Y, Com Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
5. On a motion by Com. Zeigler and seconded by Com. Wendling, the Council approved a payment in the ammount of \$7,561.80 to Korte & Luitjohan Contractors, Inc. of Highland, Illinois for East Meadows Pump Station replacement. Members voted as follows to approve this payment: Com. Wendling - Y, Com Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
6. Adjourned

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Meeting Date : 24 June 2002 7:00 P.M.

On The Agenda

1. Minutes of prior meetings
2. Police Report
3. Public comments
4. Commissioners reports
5. Communications
6. Unfinished business
7. Approval of bills
8. New business

A. Approve bids for materials - Street Maintenance - MFT Funds

- B. *Approve Prevailing Wage Ordinance*
- C. *Approve FY2003 Appropriation Ordinance*
- D. *Mileage Reimbursement*
- E. *Re Roleau - Review replat of Block 20 & a part of Block 21 Conlogue's Addition "A" to Altamont*

8. Adjourn

Meeting Minutes

Present: Y Mayor Taylor Y Commissioner Smith Y Commissioner Wendling Y Commissioner White Y Commissioner Zeigler

Also present were Police Chief Mark Walker, Rana Connolly from the Effingham Daily News, Altamont residents Bill Durbin and Bill Overton, and City Clerk Helen Moll.

1. Prior minutes were read and approved
2. Police Chief Walker gave the report of the Police Department activities for the Month May.
3. Public comments
4. Routine Business
5. Mayor Taylor reported he had attended a meeting of the County Board at which members of the Effingham County Animal Control were present. They would like to see two more part-time officers hired to better control complaints of animals running loose at night. Representatives of other cities were also present.
6. On a motion by Com. Zeigler and seconded by Com. Wendling, the following bids for materials for street maintenance from Motor Fuel Tax Funds were accepted. Larry Heurman, Montrose, Bit. Material (seal coat) 7918 Gal., \$7,047.02; Beelman Trucking, St. Libory, CM-16 (crushed stone) 396 Ton \$4,748.04, Aggregate CA6 800 Ton \$5,992.00; Charles Heuerman Trucking, Teutopolis, Load, Weigh, Spread and Roll CM16 from city stockpile 396 Ton \$2,455.20. Members voted as follows to approve the above bids. Com. Smith - Y, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
7. On a motion by Com. Wendling and seconded by Com. Smith, Ordinance No. 356-02, an Ordinance of the City of Altamont, Effingham County, Illinois, Ascertaining the Prevailing Wage Rate of Wages for Laborers, Wornen and Mechanics Employed on Public Works of said city was passed and approved. Members voted as follows. Com. Smith - Y, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
8. On a motion by Com. White and seconded by Com. Wendling, Ordinance No. 356-02 was passed and approved. An Ordinance making Appropriation for the Corporate Purchases of the City of Altamont for the Fiscal Year Commencing May 1, 2002 and Ending April 30, 2003 was passed and approved. Members voted as follows. Com. Smith - Y, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
9. On a motion by Com. Zeigler and seconded by Com. Smith, the mileage reimbursement for the use of personal vehicles while traveling on City business will increase to 36.5 cents per mile, effective July 1, 2002. Present rate is 35.5 cents. This coincides with rates paid by the state. Members voted as follows. Com. Smith - Y, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.

10. The Council took note of a Replat of Block 20 and a Part of Block 21, Conlogue's Addition A, which has been prepared for Roger Roleau by Heneghan & Associates, Engineers and Surveyors. Plans call for the lot line to be changed, existing buildings on proposed Lot 2 to be removed and a garage to be relocated onto proposed lot 1. The Council was in agreement with the proposal but took no action until legal documents are received.
11. Problems of the chipper were discussed, but no decisions on repairs or replacement was made.
12. Com. Smith reported improvements have been made at Gilbert Park prior to the Fourth of July Tournament, some of which were parking lot, new restroom equipment and ceilings painted, also roof replacement of park buildings. Painting of bleachers is also planned.
13. Mayor Taylor reminded Council Members to be sure to get any issue requiring a vote by the City Council on the Agenda. Matters can be discussed but not voted on if they are not on the Agenda.
14. Mayor Taylor read a letter from David Coslet in regard to birds testing positive for West Nile virus, which is mosquito transmitted and can also be spread to humans by infected mosquitos. Coslet feels an area owned by the Willard Strullmeyer's, 904 South Main, which has not been mowed and is referred to as a "wild life refuge" is a perfect breeding place for the birds carrying the virus and should be mowed.
15. Com. Wendling mentioned the scheduled interruption of electric service for approximately one-half hour, beginning at 11:00 pm on Thursday, June 27 for the purpose of testing the generators.
16. Adjourned.

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Meeting Date : 8 July 2002 7:00 P.M.

On The Agenda

1. Minutes of prior meetings
2. Police Report
3. Public comments
4. Commissioners reports
5. Communications
6. Unfinished business
7. Approval of bills
8. New business
 - A. *Approve bids for materials - Street Maintenance - MFT Funds Pay Request # 2 - Korte & Luitjohan Contractors, Inc. East Meadows Pump Station - \$1,344.60*
 - B. *Receive bids on "Offset Mower" - Sewer Department*
 - C. *Resolution - Participation of Elected Officials in the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund*
 - D. *Resolution approving Replat of Block 20 & a Part of Block 21, Conlogue's Addition "A"*

E. Re Buddy Estates - Review preliminary replat of Lot 11, Buddy Estates Subdivision, First Addition

F. An Ordinance Annexing Certain Territory to the City of Altamont, Illinois.

8. Adjourn

Meeting Minutes

Present: Y Mayor Taylor N Commissioner Smith Y Commissioner Wendling Y Commissioner White Y Commissioner Zeigler

Also present were Police Chief Mark Walker, Rana Connolly from the Effingham Daily News and City Clerk Helen Moll.

1. Prior minutes were read and approved
2. Police Chief Walker gave the report of the Police Department activities for the Month June.
3. Public comments
4. Routine Business
5. On a motion by Com. White and seconded by Com. Wendling, the Council approve pay request n. 2 from Korte & Luitjohan Contractors, Inc. for East Meadows Pump Station in the amount of \$1,344.60. Members voted as follows: Com. Wendling - Y, Com. White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
6. In response to our call for bids for a category II offset quick-hitch adaptable disc mower, 5 disc - 82" swath, the following bids were received. Dittamor Implement Co., Hwy. 40 West, P.O. Box 280, Teutopolis, Illinois 62467 - Bush Hog model HM2007 disc mower, 540 PTO / 7 ft \$5,300.00 - Bahrns Equipment, Inc., 1708 Banker, Effingham, Illinois 62401 - Landpride model DM3605 36 series disc mower, 5 disc / 82" swath \$4,566.00 On a motion by Com. White and seconded by Com. Wendling, the bid of Bahrns Equipment, Inc. in the amount of \$4,566.00 was accepted. Members voted as follows: Com. Wendling - Y, Com. White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
7. On a motion by Com. Wendling and seconded by Com. Zeigler the Council approved aA resolution Relating to Participation by Elected Officials in the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund. Members voted as follows to approve the Resolution: Com. Wendling - Y, Com. White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
8. On a motion by Com. Zeigler and seconded by Com. White, the Council approved Resolution No. 2002-07-7, A Resolution Approving Replat of Block 20 & a Part of Block 21, Conlogue's Addition "A". Members voted as follows to approve the Resolution: Com. Wendling - Y, Com. White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
9. The Council took note of a preliminary plat of lot 11, Buddy Estates Subdivision, First Addition which had been prepared for Carl E. Becker by Heneghan & Associates, P.C., Engineers & Surveyors in regard to a lot at the corner of Division Street and Whitler Lane. Also a copy of the description for a 10 foot wide Permanent Easement for the private sewer force line that is to serve the proposed Lot 11. The Council was in agreement with the above, but no action taken until final plat and papers are received.
10. On a motion by Com. White and seconded by Com. Zeigler, the Council approved Ordinance No. 357-02 - Am Ordinance Annexing Certain Territory to the City of Altamont, Illinois. This involves city Owned property which, until now, has not been in the City Limits. Members voted as follows to approve the Ordinance: Com.

Wendling - Y, Com. White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.

11. Adjourned

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Meeting Date : 22 July 2002 7:00 P.M.

On The Agenda

1. Minutes of prior meetings
2. Public comments
3. Commissioners reports
4. Communications
5. Unfinished business
6. Approval of bills
7. New business
 - A. *Approve annual report by Daughhette & Parks P.C. Fiscal Year April 30, 2002.*
 - B. *Approve Estimate of Revenues - Fiscal Year 2002-2003*
 - C. *Resolution approving plat of survey for Lot 11, Buddy Estates Subdivision, First Addition.*
 - D. *An Ordinance Annexing Certain Wholly Bounded Territory to the City of Altamont.*
8. Adjourn

Meeting Minutes

Present: Y Mayor Taylor Y Commissioner Smith N Commissioner Wendling N Commissioner White Y Commissioner Zeigler

Also present was City Clerk Helen Moll.

1. Prior minutes were read and approved
2. Public comments
3. Routine Business
4. On a motion by Com. Smith and seconded by Com. Zeigler, the Council approved the Annual Report by Daughhette & Parks, P.C. for the fiscal year April 30, 2002. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y
5. On a motion by Com. Zeigler and seconded by Com. Smith, the Council approved the Estimate of Revenues for Fiscal Year 2002 - 2003 in the amount of \$4,140,875.00. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y
6. On a motion by Com. Smith and seconded by Com. Zeigler, the Council approved Resolution No. 2002-07-8. A Resolution Approving Plat of Survey for Lot 11, Buddy Estates Subdivision, First Addition. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y
7. On a motion by Com. Zeigler and seconded by Com. Smith, the Council approved Ordinance No. 358-02 - An Ordinance Annexing Certain Wholly Bounded Territory to the City of Altamont, Illinois. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y

8. Adjourned

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Meeting Date : 12 August 2002 7:00 P.M.

On The Agenda

1. Minutes of prior meetings
2. Police Report
3. Public comments
4. Commissioners reports
5. Communications
6. Approval of bills
7. Agenda Items
 - A. *Approve Submittal of Operating Forecast to GMAC*
 - B. *Approve Budget, Income and Equity Report to Rural Development*
 - C. *Discuss sewer line at Altamont Grade School (replacement)*
 - D. *Discuss Telecommunications Infrastructure Maintenance Fee Ordinance*
8. Adjourn

Meeting Minutes

Present: Y Mayor Taylor N Commissioner Smith Y Commissioner Wendling Y Commissioner White Y Commissioner Zeigler

Also present were Hillard Morris, Rana Connaly from the Effingham Daily News and City Clerk Helen Moll.

1. Prior minutes were read and approved
2. Public comments
3. Routine Business
4. Hillard Morris was present with concerns on projects at Effingham Equity which joins a subdivision being developed by the Morris'. He was told this would be addressed at a zoning meeting the next night. Being on the Library Board, he also told the Council of an extensive fund drive in an effort to pay off the balance due on the Library which was opened in 1989 and is being paid for without taxpayer's money.

In regard to tourism, he would like to see the tour groups welcomed, mentioning attractions such as the Wright House, the Ballard Nature Center, the Ben Winter Museum and Alwerdt's Gardens.

4. On a motion by Com. White and seconded by Com. Wendling, the Council approved the Operating Budget Forecast, an annual requirement to be submitted to GMAC Commercial Mortgage, one of our water bond holders. Members voted as follows: Com. Wendling - Y, Com. White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
On a motion by Com. Wendling and seconded by Com. White, the Council approved the Statement of Budget Income and Equity, also an annual requirement to be submitted to Rural Development Area office, our other water bond holder. Members voted as follows: Com. Wendling - Y, Com. White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor
- 5.

Taylor - Y.

The Council discussed the problems with the sewer line at Altamont Grade School. Contact has been made with Curry & Associates, Engineers, Inc. in regard to same. Arrow Drain & Sewer has been hired to video the sewer line which disclosed cracks, and soil materials and root penetration in the line, in addition to sink holes. Curry submitted options for the City's consideration. Complete replacement of the line would be cost prohibitive at this time. Following discussion and on a motion by Com. White and seconded by Com. Zeigler, the Council approved the installation of two 400 foot sections of cured in place liner, estimated at \$45.00 per foot plus \$5,000.00 mobilization cost or an estimated total of \$23,000.00. Members voted as follows: Com. Wendling - Y, Com. White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.

6. The Council discussed the Infrastructure Maintenance Fee Ordinance which now stands at 1%. An amendatory ordinance can be passed, with the rate still to be determined. This will need to be done prior to October 1, 2002.
7. Adjourned
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Meeting Date : 26 August 2002 7:00 P.M.

On The Agenda

1. Minutes of prior meetings
2. Police Report
3. Public comments
4. Commissioners reports
5. Communications
6. Approval of bills
7. New business
 - A. *Approve vendor agreement for LIHEAP FY 2003*
 - B. *Approve solicitation - Knights of Columbus - Tootsie Roll Drive - Sept. 20 & 21 - 7 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. - Chris Westjohn - Jim Zacha*
 - C. *Pay request # 3 - Korte & Luitjohan Contractors, Inc. East Meadows Pump Station - \$42,338.97*
 - D. *Approve Howell Asphalt Co. & Howell Paving, Inc Joint Venture Bid for East Division Street resurfacing in the amount of \$71,267.80*
 - E. *Approve route for 5K Fun Run/Walk sponsored by Chamber of Commerce and Schuetzenfest*
 - F. *Consider Zoning Amendment Request AM-828 of SR-2 to B-3 at Effingham Equity property per Zoning Board recommendation and Ordinance on same*
 - G. *Consider Special Use Permit Request SP-828 of bulk warehousing at Effingham Equity property per Zoning Board recommendation and Ordinance on same.*
 - H. *Consider Special Use Permit Request SP-833 of Home occupation at 402 N. 8th St per Zoning Board recommendation and Ordinance on same.*
 - I. *Consider Area Variance Request VA-823 of side yard setback at 115 N.*

Edwards per Zoning Board recommendation and Ordinance on same.

8. Adjourn

Meeting Minutes

Present: Y Mayor Taylor Y Commissioner Smith Y Commissioner Wendling N Commissioner White Y Commissioner Zeigler

Also present were Police Chief Mark Walker, George Soltwedel, Doug McDevitt, Alan Morris, Brandon Frederking, Rana Connaly and Helen Moll, City Clerk.

1. Prior minutes were read and approved
2. Public comments
3. Routine Business
4. Police Chief Walker gave a report of Police Department activities for the month of July.
5. On a motion by Com. Wendling and seconded by Com. Zeigler, the Council approved the vendor agreement with C.E.F.S. Economic Opportunity Corporation for FY 2003. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Y, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
6. On a motion by Com. Smith and seconded by Com. Zeigler, the Council approved solicitation their Tootsie Roll Drive by Knights of Columbus for the benefit of disabled or handicapped children to be held on September 20 and 21 from 7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. with Chris Westjohn and Jim Zacha in charge. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Y, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
7. On a motion by Com. Wendling and seconded by Com. Zeigler, the Council approved Ordinance No. AM-728, An Ordinance approving a Zoning Amendment requested by Effingham Equity to rezone and area from zoning classification SR-2 to B-3. Members voted as follows to approve this Ordinance: Com. Smith - Y, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
8. On a motion by Com. Wendling and seconded by Com. Smith, the Council approved Ordinance No. SP-833, a Special Use Permit to approve Lisa Temple operating a dog grooming business named Lisa's Pet Grooming at 402 North Eighth Street per Zoning Code 40-5-7. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Y, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
9. On a motion by Com. Wendling and seconded by Com. Smith, the Council approved Ordinance No. VA-823, granting a Variance Permit at 115 North Edwards Street. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Y, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
10. On a motion by Com. Smith and seconded by Com. Zeigler, the request for a Special Use Permit SP-828 was recommended to be returned to the Zoning Board for further consideration and/or action. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Y, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
11. A Petition for Annexation presented by Lynn A. Kull, Trustee, Kull Family Farms, was presented to the Council for study and consideration.
12. On a motion by Com. Wendling and seconded by Com. Smith, the Council approved Pay Request No. 3 from Korte & Luitjohan, Inc. in the amount of \$42,338.97 for East Meadows pump station. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Y, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.

13. On a motion by Com. Zeigler and seconded by Com. Smith, the Council approved the bid of Howell Asphalt & Howell Paving, Inc. the amount of \$71,267.80 for East Division Street resurfacing. Members voted as follows to approve the bid: Com. Smith - Y, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y
14. On a motion by Com. Wendling and seconded by Com. Smith, the Council approved the use of city streets, with the actual route to be finalized for a 5K Fun Run/Walk on Friday, September 14, sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce and Schuetzenfest. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Y, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
15. Adjourned

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Meeting Date : 9 September 2002 7:00 P.M.

On The Agenda

1. Minutes of prior meetings
2. Police Report
3. Public comments
4. Commissioners reports
5. Communications
6. Approval of bills
7. New business
 - A. *Approve Resolution-Regard 5K Run/Walk-In Conjunction with Schuetzenfest*
 - B. *Approve replacement police squad car*
8. Adjourn

Meeting Minutes

Present: Y Mayor Taylor Y Commissioner Smith Y Commissioner Wendling Y Commissioner White Y Commissioner Zeigler

Com. Smith arriving at 7:23 P.M. and Com. Wendling arriving at 7:35 P.M.

Also Present were Travis Voelker, Bill Overton, Rana Connally from the Effingham Daily News and City Clerk Helen Moll.

1. Prior minutes were read and approved
2. Public comments
3. Routine Business
4. On a motion by Com. White and seconded by Com. Zeigler, a Resolution in regard to the 5K Run/Walk-In Conjunction with Schuetzenfest was adopted. Members voted as follows to approve the resolution: Com. White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
5. Replacement of squad car was tabled until next meeting.
6. Overton was present to inquire when sidewalk work could be done at his residence. It will be scheduled, this being at 306 North Third.
7. Travis Voelker, doing business as Lukenbach's, presented the Council with his plans

for a poker run he has scheduled to host on Saturday, October 5th. He will have a local band, Last Call, for entertainment that evening, which he was asking permission to set up outside on his property. He would also like a temporary beer station set up outside to provide his patrons a place to purchase beverages throughout the evening. Following discussion, the Council agreed on the following:

1. The liquor must be sold inside the building
2. The alley cannot be blocked
3. The alley must be fenced to keep patrons from entering and leaving by way of the alley.
4. The only access will be through the front entrance to Lukenbach's
5. The band must face north and the noise level must be reasonable
6. The band must quit playing at 11:00 P.M.
7. Should the City receive a complaint about the event, the right is reserved to stop it at any time during the evening.
8. Adjourned

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Meeting Date : 23 September 2002 7:00 P.M.

On The Agenda

1. Minutes of prior meetings
2. Police Report
3. Public comments
4. Commissioners reports
5. Communications
6. Approval of bills
7. New business
 - A. *Approve replacement police squad car*
 - B. *Approve proclamation - Red Ribbon Week - Oct. 19-27th*
 - C. *Approve solicitation - Lion's Club Candy Day - Oct. 18, Main & Route 40 - Main & Division - 6:00 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.*
 - D. *Consider Special Use Permit Request SP-828 of bulk warehousing at Effingham Equity property per Zoning Board recommendation and Ordinance on same.*
 - E. *Consider Area Variance Request VA-842 of side yard setback at 717 Prairie Street per Zoning Board recommendation and Ordinance on same.*
8. Adjourn

Meeting Minutes

Present: Y Mayor Taylor Y Commissioner Smith N Commissioner Wendling Y Commissioner White Y Commissioner Zeigler

Others present were George Soltwedel, Doug McDevitt, Dennis Montavon and Jamie Southard, all from Effingham Equity, Lee Beckman from Milano and Grunloh Engineers, Police Chief Mark Walker, Sean Aaron, Rana Connolly from Effingham Daily News and City Clerk Helen Moll. Com. Smith arriving at 7:20

1. Chief Walker introduced Sean Aaron, who is being employed as a new police officer for the City of Altamont.
On a motion by Com. Zeigler and econded by Com. White, the Council approved a
2. Proclamation for Red Ribbon Week - October 19 through 27. Members voted as follows to approve the Resolution: Com White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
On a motion by Com. Zeigler and seconded by Com. White, the Council approved the
3. purchase of a 2000 Ford Crown Victoria from the Missouri State Highway Patrol for the Police Department for \$11,000.00. Members voted as follows: Com White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
On a motion by Com. White and seconded by Com. Zeigler, the Council approved
4. solicitation - Lion's Club Candy Day - October 18, Main & Rt. 40 and Main & Division from 6 A.M. - 6:00 P.M. Members voted as follows: Com White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
On a motion by Com. White and seconded by Com. Zeigler, the Council approved
5. Ordinance No. SP-828 - Special Use Permit - requested by Effingham Equity to operate a warehousing of dry fertilizer at 903 S, Main, per Zoning Code 40-4-74. Members voted as follows: Com White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
On a motion by Com. Smith and seconded by Com. White, the Council approved
6. Ordinance No. VA-842 - Variance Permit requested by Larry E. Taylor, 717 Prairie St. for a 2 1/2 ft. setback of the east side yard line in an SR-2 zoned district. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Y, Com White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Present.
7. Approval of both the above were recommended by the Zoning Board of Appeals.
8. Com. White reported that although the lake level was not seriously low, the recent rains raised it from 35" down to 30" down.
9. Adjourned

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Meeting Date : 14 October 2002 7:00 P.M.

On The Agenda

1. Minutes of prior meetings
2. Police Report
3. Public comments
4. Commissioners reports
5. Communications
6. Approval of bills
7. New business
 - A. *Approve per capita payment for FY 2003 - \$426.00 - To SCIRPDC*
 - B. *Approve route for halloween parade - Oct 25 - 6:30 P.M.*
 - C. *Set date for "Trick or Treat" - Oct 31 - 6:00 - 8:00 P.M.*
 - D. *Milano and Grunloh Engineers final payment Estimate No. 1 and request for approval of change in plans No. 1 - East Division Street resurfacing*

E. Approve final payment on generators

F. Discuss vacation plat for Lajeau Drive

8. Adjourn

Present: Y Mayor Taylor Y Commissioner Smith Y Commissioner Wendling Y Commissioner White Y Commissioner Zeigler

Others present were Penny White, Police Chief Mark Walker, Sam Gnuse, Rana Connolly from the Effingham Daily News and City Clerk Helen Moll.

1. Prior minutes were read and approved

2. Public comments

3. Routine Business

4. Police Chief Walker gave a report of the Police Department activities for the month of September.

5. On a motion by Com. Wendling and seconded by Com. White, the Council approved per capita payment in the amount of \$426.00 for the FY 2003 to SCIRPDC. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Y, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.

6. On a motion by Com. Zeigler and seconded by Com. White, the Council set "Trick or Treat" night for October 31 from 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Y, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.

7. On a motion by Com. White and seconded by Com. Smith, the route for the Halloween Parade, scheduled for 6:30 P.M. October 25 is as follows: Set up at Frog Pond at 6:00 P.M. - Lincoln to Main; North on Main and around the Triangle. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Y, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.

8. On a motion by Com. Zeigler and seconded by Com. Smith, the Council approved the following, which was submitted by Lee Beckman, Milano & Grunloh Engineers, Final Payment Estimate No. 1 in the amount of \$74,846.68 and Request for Approval of Change in Plans No. 1 in the amount of \$3,578.88. Members voted as follows to approve these two items: Com. Smith - Y, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y. These are both in regard to E. Division Street resurfacing.

9. On a motion by Com. Wendling and seconded by Com. Zeigler, the Council approved the final payment on the generators to Altofer Inc. Power Systems in tCom. Smith - Y, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y. he amount of \$52,000.00 . Members voted as follows to approve the payment:

10. On a motion by Com. Zeigler and seconded by Com. White, the Council approved a project authorization submitted by Charles A. Grunloh of Milano & Grunloh Engineers for a Vacation Plat for Lajeau Drive, South Tower Akers. This will reduce Lajeau Drive from 104 feet wide to 60 feet wide with the area vacated to go to adjoining property owners. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Y, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.

11. Penny White was present to discuss with the Council the deteriorating condition of several properties primarily in an approximate three block area of West Madison Avenue. Mention was made of old vehicles in lawns along with trash and stench from same and from dogs. White mentioned the possibility of fines if not cleaned up which, in her work, she has seen done in towns much smaller than Altamont. The

Council and Police Chief Walker acknowledged White's concerns and efforts will be made to correct same.

12. Sam Gnuse spoke on concerns for the Library and said the current fund drive is going well.
13. Adjourned

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Meeting Date : 28 October 2002 7:00 P.M.

On The Agenda

1. Minutes of prior meetings
2. Public comments
3. Commissioners reports
4. Communications
5. Approval of bills
6. New business
 - A. *M & M Days - Solicitation- Effingham Co. Detachment / Marine Corps League - 6:30 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.*
 - B. *Ordinance No. VA-847 - Use Variance Permit*
 - C. *A Resolution Approving Plat of a Part of Northwest Quarter, Southwest Quarter, Section 15, Township 7 North, Range 4 East into Lot 1, Equity Park*
 - D. *Consider Zoning Board recommendation to add the extraterritorial zoning district of 1 1/2 miles from city limit*
7. Adjourn

Meeting Minutes

Present: N Mayor Taylor Y Commissioner Smith Y Commissioner Wendling Y Commissioner White Y Commissioner Zeigler

Mayor Taylor was out of town for a very special occasion, the birth of his first grandchild, Mason Thomas Taylor. Com. Smith conducted the meeting in the absence of Mayor Taylor. Others present were Gary White, Zoning Administrator, Alvin Oliver, Zoning Board Secretary, Rana Connolly from the Effingham Daily News, Clyde Barr from the Altamont News and City Clerk Helen Moll.

1. Prior minutes were read and approved
2. Public comments
3. Routine Business
4. Alvin Oliver took the floor to present to the Council the Zoning Board recommendation to add the extraterritorial zoning district of one and one-half miles from the city limits. He presented a list of eight items which the Zoning Board feels would benefit the territory surrounding the City that would be included in the extraterritorial district. Following discussion and on a motion by Com. Wendling and seconded by Com. White, the Council will exercise its option to hold an informational public meeting on January 13th, 2003 at 6:00 P.M., prior to the regular Council Meeting of that date to give the residents an opportunity to express their

views as well as hear the Zoning Board's recommendation. Members voted as follows: Com. Wendling - Y, Com. White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Com. Smith - Y. The Council went on record of thanking Mr. Oliver for the time he has spent researching information on this subject.

5. On a motion by Com. Zeigler and seconded by Com. White, the Council approved M&M Days solicitation by Effingham County Detachment/Marine Corps League from 6:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. November 1 at Main and Route 40. Members voted as follows: Members voted as follows: Com. Wendling - Y, Com. White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Com. Smith - Y.
6. On a motion by Com. White and seconded by Com. Zeigler, the Council approved a Resolution Approving Plat of a Part of Northwest Quarter, Southwest Quarter, Section 15, Township 7 North, Range 4 East into Lot 1, Equity Park. Members voted as follows to approve the resolution: Members voted as follows: Com. Wendling - Y, Com. White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Com. Smith - Y.
7. On a motion by Com. White and seconded by Com. Wendling, the Council approved Ordinance No. VA-847 - Regard Ray Wurl, 206 South Tenth Street. Members voted as follows: Members voted as follows: Com. Wendling - Y, Com. White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Com. Smith - Y.
8. Dates for leaf pick-up have tentatively been set for November 12 - November 15 and November 18 to November 22. Leaves are to be in a windrow, not piles, near the street but not in the ditch. The schedule which will require some variation will be the same as for annual spring clean-up days. NW Section of town first day, NE section second day, SE section third day and SW section fourth day.
9. Adjourn

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Meeting Date : 14 November 2002 7:00 P.M.

On The Agenda

1. Minutes of prior meetings
2. Police Report
3. Public comments
4. Commissioners reports
5. Communications
6. Approval of bills
7. New business
 - A. *Discuss change in law governing low income home energy assistance program - LIHEAP.*
 - B. *Final pay request #4 - Korte & Luitjohan Contractors, Inc. East Meadows pump station - \$4,215.63*
 - C. *Approve vacation plat of Lajeau Drive as presented by Milano & Grunloh and set public hearing date*
 - D. *Discuss possibility of making alley behind S&W, Dollar General, Etc. one way going south*
 - E. *Discuss selling 1967 Chevrolet winch truck, 1987 Dodge pickup, a992 Ford*

*Crown Victoria*8. *Adjourn*

Present: Y Mayor Taylor Y Commissioner Smith Y Commissioner Wendling Y Commissioner White Y Commissioner Zeigler

The Council convened at 6:45 P.M. Monday, November 14th, 2002 for a public hearing prior to the regular meeting at 7:00 P.M. The purpose of the Public Hearing was to present an amendment to FY 2003 Appropriation Ordinance and give all interested parties the right to provide written and/or oral comments regarding the Amendment Ordinance.

Members present were Com. Don Wendling, Com. Don Zeigler, Com. Linda Smith, Com. Gerry White and Mayor Larry Taylor. Also present was Jeff Grupe, Michael Macklin, Dave Frederking, Bill Durbin. Rana Connolly of Effingham Daily News, Deputy Clerk Sarah Stephen and Police Chief Mark Walker.

Notice of the Public Hearing was published in the Altamont Independent on Nov. 11, 2002 and in the Altamont News Nov. 12, 2002. Com Wendling explained the increase in the appropriation was in the Electric Dept. as a result of the death of one engineer, the engineering costs increased drastically and installation of a SCADA system. No comments or concerns were expressed by the public, Therefore the Hearing was closed at 6:58 P.M. on a motion by Com. Smith and seconded by Com. White. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Y, Com. Wendling - Y, Com White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.

The regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M.

1. Prior minutes were read and approved
2. Public comments
3. Routine Business
4. Police Chief Walker gave a report of Police Department activities for the month of October. Chief Walker also reported the residents on W. Madison Ave. had been contacted concerning old vehicles and some progress has been made to clean up the area.
5. Jeff Grupe and Michael Macklin questioned the Council about how long the process is to get W. Madison Ave. cleaned up. Macklin stated some of the vehicles have not been moved for two years.
6. Michael Macklin expressed concern of dogs running loose. The Mayor stated he had been promised there would be better service from Effingham County Animal Control.
7. Dave Frederking asked what could be done to have a sidewalk replaced in front of the new home at 115 North Edwards. It was agreed the City would pay for the concrete and Frederking would pay for the labor of installing the sidewalk. The City will also remove the old concrete. This special consideration was given because of the poor sidewalk condition, onset of winter and a full City work schedule.
8. CEFS letter was read by the Mayor concerning a change in law governing the Low Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP). No action was taken to change the City's participation.
9. A final pay request to Korte & Luitjohn in the amount of \$4,215.63 for improvements to the East Meadows Lift Station was approved. Motion was made by Com. White and seconded by Com. Zeigler. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Y, Com. Wendling - Y, Com White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
10. The Vacation Plat of LaJean Drive approval was tabled until verification of utility

easements can be provided by Milano & Grunloh.

11. Discussion was held concerning the possibility of making the alley behind S&W, Dollar General, etc. one way going south. Com. White stated the delivery trucks for S&W would not have a problem however, patrons exiting the parking lot by way of the alley may have difficulty if the alley is blocked to the south. No action was taken at this time.
12. Following a motion by Com. Zeigler and seconded by Com. White, bids will be accepted on City equipment consisting of a 1967 Chevy winch truck, 1987 Dodge pickup and 1992 Ford Crown Victoria. Members voted as follows: Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Y, Com. Wendling - Y, Com White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y. Bid opening is set for December 23, 2002.
13. Com. White congratulated Mayor Taylor on the birth of his grandson.
14. The City will again award free electric for the month of December to the overall 1st place winner and 50% discount to the 2nd place overall winner of the Christmas Lighting Contest sponsored by the Altamont Chamber of Commerce.
15. Adjourned

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Meeting Date : 25 November 2002 7:00 P.M.

On The Agenda

1. Minutes of prior meetings
2. Public comments
3. Commissioners reports
4. Communications
5. Approval of bills
6. New business
 - A. *Adopt an amended ordinance making appropriation for the corporate purposes of the City of Altamont, Effingham County, Illinois for the fiscal year commencing May 1, 2002 and ending April 30, 2003.*
 - B. *Action to complete vacation on Lajeau Frive*
 - C. *Consider Special Use request SP-852 at 702 Prairie Street per Zoning Board recommendation and ordinance on same.*
 - D. *Consider Zoning Amendment Request AM-855 on S. Bond St. and ordinance on same.*
 - E. *Salary adjustment for Jeremiah Coleman*
8. *Adjourn*

Meeting Minutes

Present: Y Mayor Taylor Y Commissioner Smith Y Commissioner Wendling Y Commissioner White Y Commissioner Zeigler

Also present was Rana Connolly from the Effingham Daily News and City Clerk Helen Moll.

1. Prior minutes were read and approved

2. Public comments
3. Routine Business
4. On a motion by Com. Smith and seconded by Com. Wendling, an amended Ordinance Making Appropriation for the Corporate Purposes of the City of Altamont, Effingham County, Illinois for the fiscal year commencing May 2002 and Ending April 30, 2003 was approved. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Y, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
5. On a motion by Com. Zeigler and seconded by Com. White, the Council approved the vacation of a portion of Lajeau Drive, which leads to South Tower Acres Subdivision, namely a strip of land 22.44' wide on each side to adjacent property owners. This includes a 15' utility easement. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Y, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
6. On a motion by Com. Wendling and seconded by Com. Smith, the Council approved Ordinance No. SP-852, Special Use Permit for Richard Cannon, 702 Prairie Street, for a home occupation, namely a locksmith service. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Y, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
7. On a motion by Com. Wendling and seconded by Com. White, the salary of Jeremiah Colman, Lineman in the Electric Dept., was adjusted to \$10.00 per hour in recognition of his completion of two courses for lineman. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Y, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
8. One item on the agenda, namely "Consider Zoning Amendment Request AM-855 on South Bond Street and Ordinance on same" was tabled for further clarification.
9. Adjourned

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Meeting Date : 9 December 2002 7:00 P.M.

On The Agenda

1. Minutes of prior meetings
2. Police report
3. Public comments
4. Commissioners reports
5. Communications
6. Approval of bills
7. Agenda Items
 - A. *Discussion with representative of Effingham County Emergency Services and Disaster Agency in regard to shelter in the event of an emergency.*
 - B. *Adopt ordinance levying taxes for all corporate purposes for City of Altamont, Effingham County, Illinois for the fiscal year commencing May 1, 2002 and ending April 30, 2003.*
 - C. *Set date and time for public hearing on vacation of Lajeau Drive*
 - D. *Make appointment to South Central Illinois Regional Planning and Development Commission*

8. *Adjourn*

Present: P Mayor Taylor P Commissioner Smith P Commissioner Wendling P Commissioner White P Commissioner Zeigler

Also present were Russ Thomas, Mike Riley and Lannie Morris on behalf of the Effingham County Emergency Services and Disaster Agency, Brandon Frederking, Police Chief Mark Walker, Rana Connolly from the Effingham Daily News and City Clerk Helen Moll.

1. Prior minutes were read and approved
2. Public comments
3. Routine Business
4. Police Chief Walker gave a report of Police Department activities for the month of November.
5. Brandon Frederking questioned the status of the Zoning Amendment Request AM-855 on South Bond Street and Ordinance on Same which was tabled at the last Council meeting. Mayor Taylor stated action on same would be taken after further consideration.
6. Russ Thomas, who also serves on the 911 Board and Mike Riley addressed the city Council on efforts of E.S.D.A. to set up locations for shelters in the event of a disaster. Mention was made of schools, churches, and in the case of Altamont, the Schuetzenfest Building. They would need the approximate size, description, etc. and need be approved by E.S.D.A. and the Red Cross.
7. On a motion by Com. Wendling and seconded by Com. White, an Ordinance Levying Taxes for Corporate Purposes for May 1, 2002 and Ending April 30, 2003 was approved. Amount of the levy is \$89,500.00 Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Y, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
8. On a motion by Com. Zeigler and seconded by Com. White, the Council set January 13, 2003 at 6:45 P.M., prior to regular meeting at 7:00 P.M. for a Public Hearing on vacation of Lajeau Drive which leads to South Tower Acres Subdivision. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Y, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
9. On a motion by Com. White and seconded by Com. Wendling, Mayor Taylor was appointed to the South Central Regional Planning and Development Commission governing body to replace Roger Rouleau, who has been asked to be replaced due to continuing health problems. Rouleau has served in the capacity for seventeen years. Members voted as follows to the appointment of Mayor Taylor: Com. Smith - Y, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
10. Mention was made of the displeasure of Altamont residents on the release from Mediacom on the new TV channel line-up in December. Residents are urged to air their concerns by either calling the City office where these will be listed or by direct contact with Mediacom.
11. Com. Wendling mentioned tower rental fees for space rental at the Altamont communication tower, on which there has been an inquiry. At present, no rental fee has been established, but action is expected to be taken to set this fee shortly.
12. Com. Wendling also stated negotiations are underway with Mediacom for a pole attachment agreement for Altamont along with other involved communities such as

Farmer City, Marshall and Casey.

13. In regard to correspondence from CEFS on Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) and the possibility of a \$.40 per meter per month charge for residential customers and \$4.00 per meter per month charge for commercial customers, the Council approved inquiry from City of Altamont customers. A contact will be made with all our billing accounts to give them an opportunity to approve or disapprove this charge.
14. Mayor Taylor commended the residents of Altamont on their effort in getting leaves out by the street for pick-up with our leaf vac and also City workers for their part in this project.
15. Adjourned

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Meeting Date : 23 December 2002 7:00 P.M.

On The Agenda

1. Minutes of prior meetings
2. Public comments
3. Commissioners reports
4. Communications
5. Approval of bills
6. Agenda Items
 - A. *Open bids on vehicles as advertised*
 - B. *Resolution of the City Council for the City of Altamont, Illinois establishing schedule of meetings*
 - C. *Approve 2003 Holiday Schedule*
 - D. *Payment to Howell Asphalt Co., & Howell Paving, Inc. JV East Division Street-\$74,846.68 - Final payment estimate.*
 - E. *Resolution for improvement by municipality under the Illinois Highway Code.*
 - F. *Consider Zoning Amendment Request AM-855 and Ordinance on same.*
 - G. *Reschedule Public Hearing of Vacation of a portion of Lajeau Drive.*
7. Adjourn

Meeting Minutes

Present: P Mayor Taylor P Commissioner Smith P Commissioner Wendling P Commissioner White P Commissioner Zeigler

Also present was City Clerk Helen Moll

1. Prior minutes were read and approved
2. Public comments
3. Routine Business
4. Approval of bills
5. Bids on vehicles that were advertised for sale were opened. There were no bids on the 1992 Ford Crown Victoria. On a motion by Com. Wendling and seconded by

VCom. Zeigler the bid of Eddie Higgs for \$525.00 for the 1967 Winch Truck and the bid of Richard Seidel for \$256.00 for the 1987 Dodge Pickup were accepted. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Y, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.

6. On a motion by Com. Wendling and seconded by Com. White, the Council approved Resolution No. 2002-12-12 - A Resolution of the City Council for the City of Altamont, Illinois Establishing Schedule of Meetings. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Y, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
7. On a motion by Com. Zeigler and seconded by Com. Wendling, the Council approved the Holiday Schedule for 2003. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Y, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
8. On a motion by Com. Zeigler and seconded by Com. White, the Council approved a Resolution for Improvement by Municipality under the Illinois Highway Code, regard resurfacing East Division Street. Members voted as follows to approve the Resolution: Com. Smith - Y, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
9. On a motion by Com. Zeigler and seconded by Com. White, the Council approved Engineer Payment Estimate No. 1 and Final showing a total net construction cost of \$74,846.68 for East Division Street resurfacing due Howell Asphalt Co. and Howell Paving, Inc. JV. Members voted as follows to approve the payment: Com. Smith - Y, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
10. On a motion by Com. White and seconded by Com. Smith, the Council rescinded the motion made at the December 9 meeting for a public hearing on the vacation of a portion of Lajeau Drive scheduled for January 13 and rescheduled the hearing for January 27 at 6:45 P.M. Members voted as follows: Com. Smith - Y, Com. Wendling - Y, Com. White - Y, Com. Zeigler - Y and Mayor Taylor - Y.
11. On a motion by Com. Wendling and seconded by Com. Smith, the Council concurs with the Zoning Board in regard to Zoning Amendment Request AM-855 and Ordinance on same which states the location, namely 212 thru 216 South Bond Street remains at MR-1 and must meet MR-1 requirements.
12. Com. White reported that the lake level is down 53 3/4 inches.
13. Adjourned

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