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YEAR 2010 COUNCIL MINUTES

Meeting Date : January 11, 2010 6:00 P.M.

On The Agenda

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1. Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting
   Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bills
2. POLICE REPORT
3. PUBLIC COMMENTS
4. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS
5. COMMUNICATIONS
6. AGENDA ITEMS

A. *Approve Loan Agreement with Illinois Environmental Protection Agency in the Amount of $282,364.00 For Installation of Water Transmission Line, Project No. L173439.*

B. *Approve Resolution 2010-01-01; Authorizing Submission of Documents Relating to Illinois Environmental Protection Agency Funding for Project No. L173439.*

C. *Approve Purchase of Boring Machine in the Amount of $51,925.00*

D. *Approve Extension of Mowing Contract with Landers Lawn & Landscaping.*

E. *Discuss Signage for Water Transmission Line Area, Project L173439.*

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H. ADJOURN

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Present:	Y	Mayor Taylor	Y	Commissioner Jones	Y	Commissioner White	Y	Commissioner Frailey	Y	Commissioner Wilson

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session on Monday, January 11, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present; Commissioner Bill Jones; Commissioner Heidi Wilson; Commissioner Gerald White Jr. Commissioner Richard Frailey; and Mayor Larry

Taylor. Also present – Kyle Stuemke, Kendal Balding, Altamont Police Chief; Sarah Stephen, City Clerk.

1. The Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of prior meeting minutes and payment of bills was approved on a motion by Commissioner Wilson and seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
2. Chief Balding presented the December 2009 Police Activity Report, November & December 2009 K-9 Activity reports and the 2009 year end report. The reports reflected calls for service had decreased. Chief Balding accredited the decrease to extra officer patrol.
3. A loan agreement with the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency in the amount of $282,364.00 was unanimously approved. Commissioner White motioned to approve and Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. The loan agreement provides funding for a water transmission line, monies are provided through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act.
4. Resolution 2010-01-01; Authorizing Submission of Documents Relating to Illinois Environmental Protection Agency Funding for Project No. L173439 was approved on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Jones. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
5. After lengthy discussion the Council approved the purchase of a boring machine. The initial cost of the machine was $51,925.00. Since the City has leased the machine for three months, at a cost of $4,000 per month, the selling company agreed to apply the $12,000 lease costs to the purchase price. Commissioner Frailey motioned to purchase the machine from Electric Department funds. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, no; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
6. Kyle Stuemke addressed the Council concerning the portion of Sixth Street in front of his residence. He stated he had provided rock to establish a base for future oiling. Mayor Taylor explained the street would be added to the motor fuel maintenance request for 2010.
7. On a motion by Commissioner Wilson and seconded by Commissioner Frailey, the Council approved a two year extension of the mowing contract, at the same bid price for each year, to Landers Lawn and Landscaping. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, no; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
8. The Council discussed signage for the water transmission line project area. Signage is a requirement at the location of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funded projects. An area sign company will be contacted to start the process

Commissioner White reported a citizen has requested the City talk to Sutter Sanitation about a recycling location within the City limits.

Mayor Taylor reported the Illinois Municipal Electric Agency has signed a 20 year contract to purchase energy from a new Lee-DeKalb wind farm.

The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Wilson. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes;

Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, no; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.

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Meeting Date : January 25, 2010 6:00 P.M.

On The Agenda

OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:Agenda

1. Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting
   Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bills
2. PUBLIC COMMENTS
3. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS
4. COMMUNICATIONS
5. AGENDA ITEMS

A. *Approve Purchase of Water Department Destratifier from E.C. Baker & Sons, in the Amount of $39,000.00.*

B. *Approve Roadside Fundraiser Request, Southern Illinois Laborers', April 30 & May 1, 2010.*

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Present:	Y	Mayor Taylor	Y	Commissioner Jones	Y	Commissioner White	N	Commissioner Frailey	N	Commissioner Wilson

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session on Monday, January 25, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present; Commissioner Bill Jones; Commissioner Gerald White Jr.; and Mayor Larry Taylor. Also present - Sarah Stephen, City Clerk. Commissioner Heidi Wilson and Commissioner Richard Frailey were absent.

1. The Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of prior meeting minutes and payment of bills was approved on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Jones. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
2. The purchase of a replacement destratifier for the water reservoir from E. C. Baker & Sons in the amount of $39,000.00 was approved on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Jones. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
3. Commissioner White made a motion to approve a request made by the Southern Illinois Laborer's to hold a roadside fundraiser on April 30th and July 1, 2010. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.

4. Commissioner White reported the destratifier could be completed within 60 days and installed in ample time.

5. The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Jones. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.

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Meeting Date : February 08, 2010 6:00 P.M.

On The Agenda

OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:Agenda

1. Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting
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2. POLICE REPORT
3. PUBLIC COMMENTS
4. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS
5. COMMUNICATIONS
6. AGENDA ITEMS

A. *Approve Resolution 2010-02-02; Approving Re-Plat of Lot 5 Mathias Business Park.*

B. *Discuss Sewer Rate Increase.*

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H. ADJOURN

Meeting Minutes Will Be Posted After Approval

Present:	Y	Mayor Taylor	N	Commissioner Jones	Y	Commissioner White	Y	Commissioner Frailey	Y	Commissioner Wilson

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session on Monday, February 08, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present;; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Gerald White Jr.; Commissioner Heidi Wilson and Mayor Larry Taylor. Also present – Kendal Balding, Altamont Police Chief; Brad Gelsinger, Frontier Telephone; Sarah Stephen, City Clerk. Commissioner Bill Jones was absent.

1. The Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of prior meeting minutes and payment of bills was approved on a motion by Commissioner Wilson and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.

2. Resolution 2010-02-02; Re-Plat of Mathias Business Park was approved on motion by Commissioner Wilson and seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. (Attachment 2) The re-plat provides for a division

of Lot 5 of Mathias Business Park.

3. Commissioner White expressed a need to increase sewer rates. He provided a report of the gallons processed at each wastewater plant. Sometimes more wastewater is processed than water pumped from the reservoir. This is a result of infiltration from older sewer lines and aged brick manholes. He recommended money be set aside for lining of sewer mains and manholes. He stated results of a recent area community survey indicated Altamont is below the norm. He is recommending a 2 or 2 ½ % increase, but not more than 5%. The matter was tabled until the next meeting.
4. Altamont Police Chief, Kendal Balding presented the January 2010 police activity report.
5. Mayor Taylor reported Effingham County has agreed to allow a confiscated Chevy S-10 to be sold, with the funds released to the City of Altamont. Bids to be opened at the regular meeting on March 8, 2010.
6. Commissioner White reported approximately ten years ago and again in 2009 the reservoir was shocked to determine the fish population. It was found to be low on large mouth bass. An agreement was provided for a partnership with the Illinois Department of Natural Resources to provide free stocking of the reservoir. In doing so, the size of bass removed from the lake would be limited. Commissioner White asked the Council to consider a license/registration to fish at the reservoir, with the money used to build a handicapped fishing dock. He also addressed the situation of an abundance of deer hunters on reservoir property. He stated it has the potential of being a dangerous situation. The local game warden will be contacted for regulation suggestions.
7. Commissioner Wilson asked the Council their opinion of charging for pavilion reservations. There is currently no charge unless a yard sale is being conducted. It was suggested that donations, from those making reservations, be encouraged in lieu of establishing a rental fee.
8. Commissioner White informed the Council the north wall extension of the Living Museum has collapsed. The Tuesday night bluegrass performances may need to be cancelled, due to the danger of falling brick. An inquiry has been made as to availability of the Municipal Building Community Room. However, Council members expressed concern over room capacity and a possible interference with Police Department activities.
9. The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Wilson. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.

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Meeting Date : February 22, 2010 6:00 P.M.

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OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:Agenda

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2. PUBLIC COMMENTS
3. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS
4. COMMUNICATIONS

5. AGENDA ITEMS

A. *Steve Jenkins, Illinois Department of Natural Resources to Discuss Cooperative Fishery Management Program .*

B. *Approve Contract Extension with Ray's Sanitation.*

C. *Discuss Sewer Rate Increase.*

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H. ADJOURN

Meeting Minutes Will Be Posted After Approval

Present:	Y	Mayor Taylor	N	Commissioner Jones	Y	Commissioner White	Y	Commissioner Frailey	Y	Commissioner Wilson

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session on Monday, February 22, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present;; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Gerald White Jr.; Commissioner Heidi Wilson and Mayor Larry Taylor. Also present – Bill Grimes, Effingham Daily News and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk. Commissioner Bill Jones was absent.

1. The Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of prior meeting minutes and payment of bills was approved on a motion by Commissioner Wilson and seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
2. Steve Jenkins, Illinois Department of Natural Resources was scheduled by the agenda to speak to the Council. However, he was unable to attend the meeting and has rescheduled March 8, 2010.
3. Jim Ray requested a five-year extension of the citywide garbage pickup service. He would hold the cost at the current price of $3,000 per week for the entire five years. Commissioner Frailey motioned to approve a five-year extension of the sanitation contract and removal of a business conflict paragraph from the contract. Commissioner Wilson seconded motion. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
4. Commissioner White addressed the Council concerning the need for a sewer rate increase. An area rate survey and potential income gain according to a percentage increase was provided to the Council. Commissioner White explained the sewer mains and manholes need lined to stop water infiltration. It was suggested to reserve some of the money for lining projects. The remainder would be used for needed infrastructure work. After much discussion, a 5% increase was recommended. The result is a fractional cent increase of 0.0001 per gallon rate. The one thousand gallon minimum billing will increase from $9.00 per month to $9.45. An amended ordinance will be prepared for approval at the next regular Council meeting.
5. Commissioner White also reported he had spoken with an Illinois game warden who recommended the City hold a raffle for deer hunting privileges at the city reservoir. This would regulate the number of hunters, thereby creating a safer hunting environment. Types of hunting stands and length of time they are allowed to remain

may be standardized.

6. Mayor Taylor reported a structural engineer has inspected the decaying north wall of the Altamont Living Museum. The Living Museum Board is awaiting his report advising how to proceed with repairs.
7. Mayor Taylor also reported the attended the Illinois Municipal Electric Agency meeting where he was again elected to the Executive Board. The Agency is experiencing increases in operating costs, which will be passed onto member cities. This may result in a rate increase for Altamont customers.
8. Clerk Stephen reported the PARKs group is planning six raffles to provide funding for park improvement projects. They are planning a limited ticket sale gun/cash alternative, raffle with the first to be held in June. A meeting is being scheduled with the City's insurance provider to ensure all areas are properly handled.
9. The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Wilson. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.

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Meeting Date : March 08, 2010 6:00 P.M.

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2. PUBLIC COMMENTS
3. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS
4. COMMUNICATIONS
5. AGENDA ITEMS

A. *Steve Jenkins, Illinois Department of Natural Resources to Discuss Cooperative Fishery Management Program.*

B. *Bid Opening; 1994 Chevy S-10 Pickup.*

C. *Approve Sale of 1994 Chevy S-10 Pickup.*

D. *Approve Roadblock Fundraiser Request; Altamont Lions Club "Tootsie Pop Day" June 19, 2010.*

E. *Approve Application to Maintain a Trailer Court; Jacquelyn Ernst Hayden for Iva Belle Mobile Home Park*

F. *Approve Ordinance 460-10; Amending Sewer Rates*

G. *Approve Sale of Electric Department Pole Truck*

H. ADJOURN

Meeting Minutes Will Be Posted After Approval

Present:	Y	Mayor Taylor	Y	Commissioner Jones	N	Commissioner White	Y	Commissioner Frailey	Y	Commissioner Wilson

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session on Monday, March 08, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present;; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Bill Jones;

Commissioner Heidi Wilson and Mayor Larry Taylor. Also present – Clyde Barr, Altamont News; Jeff Wendling; Alex Wendling; Gail Traub and Mike Ziegler, Altamont Lutheran School; Kevin Whitten, Water Department Supr; Steve Jenkins IL Department of Natural Resources; and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk. Commissioner Gerald White Jr. was absent.

1. The Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of prior meeting minutes and payment of bills was approved on a motion by Commissioner Wilson and seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, abstain; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
2. Gail Traub, Principal of Altamont Lutheran Interparish School requested the approval of a directional sign to the school and Immanuel Church. She requested signage the size of a standard church sign be placed near the intersection of Main and Division streets. Mayor Taylor explained it could not be attached to an existing stop sign. He stated it will taken under advisement and a location will be researched.
3. Steve Jenkins, Illinois Department of Natural Resources addressed the Council concerning stocking of large mouth bass in the reservoir. He stated there would be no cost to the City for the fish. However, harvest regulations would need to be implemented and no pesticide use would be permitted. A completed agreement will be presented for Council approval at the next meeting.
4. Bids were opened for the sale of a 1994 S-10 pickup truck. Bids were as follows: Scott Stephen $965.00; Terry Hahn $827.00; Alex Wendling $657.23; Josh Miller $505.00; Brett Crooker $590.00; Sonny Fair $450.00; Dale Reed $436.00; Sonny Fair $350.00; Gale Warner $300.00; Ben Moran $251.00. Approval of sale to the highest bidder, Scott Stephen, was approved on a motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner Wilson. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, abstain; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
5. On a motion by Commissioner Frailey and seconded by Commissioner Jones a roadblock fundraiser request was approved for the Altamont Lions Club "Tootsie Pop Day" to be held June 19, 2010. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, abstain; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
6. The Application to Maintain a Trailer Court by Jacquelyn Ernst Hayden for Iva Belle Mobile Home Park, was approved on a motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner Wilson. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, abstain; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
7. Ordinance 460-10; Amending Sewer Rates was approved on a motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner Wilson Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, abstain; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. The increase is as follows:

	From	To
Basic User Rate	$9.00	$9.45
Flat Rate Charge	$15.00	$15.75
Consumption per 100 gallons	$0.23	$0.24

8. The sale of the Electric Department 1988 International pole truck to Glenn Mathias in the amount of $8,500.00 was approved on a motion by Commissioner Frailey and seconded by Commissioner Wilson. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, abstain; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
9. Commissioner White entered the meeting at this time. He thanked the Council for approving the sewer rate increase.

10. Commissioner Frailey reported two Electric Department employees attended a training school in Eureka for instruction to operate the boring machine. He also reported street lighting will be installed this spring along Mill Road and along Main Street to the Home Center. Installation will be coordinated with the water line installation project.
11. Commissioner Wilson reported the new sign at Schmidt Park has been installed.
12. Clerk Stephen reported the current General Fund balance stands at $26,253. The monthly State Income Tax check, which averages $16,000, has not arrived.
13. The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner Frailey and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.

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Meeting Date : March 22, 2010 5:30 P.M.

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6. AGENDA ITEMS

A. *Altamont Chamber of Commerce.*

B. *Approve Vendor Agreement with IL Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity / Low Income Energy Assistance Program.*

C. *Approve Payment Request #1 to JK Trotter & Sons for Installation of Water Transmission Line in amount of $40,955.76.*

D. *Approve Resolution 2010-03-03; Encouraging Reconsideration of Tax Reduction Portion of State Budget.*

E. *Approve Cooperative Fishery Management Agreement Between Illinois Department of Natural Resources and City of Altamont.*

F. *Set Date for 2010 Clean Up Days.*

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H. ADJOURN

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Present:	Y	Mayor Taylor	Y	Commissioner Jones	Y	Commissioner White	Y	Commissioner Frailey	Y	Commissioner Wilson

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session on Monday, March 22, 2010 at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Gerald White Jr.; Commissioner Bill Jones; Commissioner Heidi Wilson and Mayor Larry Taylor.

Also present – Clyde Barr, Altamont News; Altamont Chamber Members – Terry Beal, Tom Denton, Lynn Kull, Brett Gilsinger; and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk.

1. The Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of prior meeting minutes and payment of bills was approved on a motion by Commissioner Wilson and seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
2. Chamber members opened discussion with Council members concerning empty storefronts in the downtown area and locations at the intersection of Route 40 and Main Street. The Chamber members suggested coordinating events with the City for advertising and website postings, and keeping parade routes in the downtown area. Mayor Taylor explained the parade coordinators request the parade routes. If they want to begin or end the parade at the fairgrounds, Highway 40 must be closed to thru traffic. This results in the Illinois Department of Transportation dictating an approved route with a detour for Route 40 traffic. Chamber members asked if the Council could persuade property owners to improve their properties for eye appeal of visitors. The Chamber is considering establishing a development committee. They plan to attend future Council meetings to keep the communication lines open.
3. A vendor agreement with Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity regarding the Low Income Energy Assistance Program was approved on a motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner Wilson. . Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. The program was placed back to DCEO responsibilities. The agreement is retro active to September 1, 2009, ending August 31, 2012.
4. The first payment to JK Trotter & Sons for installation of the water transmission line in the amount of $40,955.76 was approved on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
5. Resolution 2010-03-03, Encouraging Reconsideration of Tax Reduction Portion of State Budget was approved on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Wilson. . Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. Copies of the Resolution will be mailed the Governor Quinn as well as State Representatives and Senators.
6. A Cooperative Fishery Management Agreement between the Illinois Department of Natural Resources and the City of Altamont was approved on a motion by Commissioner Wilson and seconded by Commissioner White. . Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
7. Council set citywide cleanup dates for May 3 – 6, 2010. The customary routes will be followed. An outside vendor will be picking up appliances on May 3rd & 4th only.
8. Commissioner White reported he had met with a company representative about lining sewer mains. The estimated cost is $28.00 per foot. The first priority being the sewer main from the Altamont Grade School to the South sewer plant consisting of 35 ft. He also reported installation of the water transmission line has begun. Contractors unexpectedly found a large area of rock that will delay completion of the project.
9. Commissioner Frailey stated installation of streetlights along Old Mill Road is on hold

until a permit from the State of Illinois is received.

10. Commissioner Wilson reported some anticipated changes at Gilbert Park in an effort to save money. They include hiring of only two summer workers rather than three as in the past, locking all but two water hydrants, and closing water fountains rather than make costly repairs.
11. Commissioner Jones reported Street and Alley crew has been patching streets. Much work is needed this year. He also reported Sutter Sanitation approached him concerning the possibility of providing a recycling pickup at residences bi-monthly at a cost of $5.00 per household.
12. Chief Balding entered the meeting to present the February Police Activity report.
13. Mayor Taylor reported the Tourism Board recently met to discuss the decrease of available funding and awarding requests. The Tourism Board has decided to lower funding of most requests from $500.00 to $350.00. The Garden Club requested funds for the upcoming garden walk. Commissioner White stated the garden walk is an event worthy of support. Mayor Taylor stated the Altamont Chamber requested $1100.00 from Tourism funds, which is under consideration.
14. The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Wilson. . Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.

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Meeting Date : April 12, 2010 6:00 P.M.

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OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:Agenda

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2. POLICE REPORT
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5. COMMUNICATIONS
6. AGENDA ITEMS

A. *Approve Roadside Fundraiser Request; VFW Poppy Day, May 8, 2010 and Rain Date of May 15.*

B. *Approve Mosquito Laviciding Agreement with Effingham County Health Department in the Amount of $650.00.*

C. *Approve Alley Vacation Request Between Lots 22 & 23, JW Holz Addition, 100 Block of South Fourth Street.*

D. *Approve Ordinance SP-1237; Home Day Care, 109 West Madison Avenue.*

E. *Approve Ordinance VA-1238; Side Yard Setback, 106 South Bond Street.*

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H. ADJOURN

Meeting Minutes Will Be Posted After Approval

Present:	Y	Mayor Taylor	Y	Commissioner Jones	Y	Commissioner White	Y	Commissioner Frailey	N	Commissioner Wilson

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session on Monday, April 12, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Gerald White Jr.; Commissioner Bill Jones; and Mayor Larry Taylor. Also present – Clyde Barr, Altamont News; Altamont Police Chief Kendal Balding; Lucas & Jennifer Kroening; Gilbert & Martha Shelton; Barb Hampson and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk. Commissioner Heidi Wilson was absent.

1. The Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of prior meeting minutes and payment of bills was approved on a motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
2. Chief Balding presented the March 2010 police activity report.
3. A roadside fundraiser request by the VFW for Poppy Days to be held May 8, 2010 with a rain date of May 15, 2010 was approved on a motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
4. A Mosquito Larviciding agreement was entered into between the City and Effingham County Health Department on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Jones. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. The agreement expires October 2010.
5. Gilbert & Martha Shelton were present concerning their request to vacate the alley between lots 21 & 22 and 20 & 23 in JW Holz Addition commonly known as the 100 block of South Fourth Street. Council unanimously approved the vacation Motion was made by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. The east 125 feet section of the alley will become a part of Lot 20 and the west 125 feet alley section will become a part of Lot 22. An ordinance will be prepared for passage at a future meeting.
6. Ordinance SP-1237 regarding a home day care at 109 West Madison Avenue was approved on a motion by Commissioner Frailey and seconded by Commissioner Jones. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. Requestor is Lucas & Jennifer Kroening.
7. Ordinance VA-1238 regarding a side yard setback at 106 South Bond Street was approved on a motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. Passage allows the side yard setback to be modified from 5 feet to 3 feet. Requestor is Barbara Hampson.
8. Commissioner White reported employee Scott Winter has resigned his position in the Water Department. Trotter & Sons have completed laying water lines for the parallel water transmission line. They will soon be pressure testing the line.
9. It has been discovered the water lines to the clear well appear weak. Curry & Associates Engineers have recommended a new type of pump and variable rate valve, which would eliminate pressure surges.
10. Commissioner White recognized the concerns expressed by customers of the water

system. Placement of a material to absorb manganese to eliminate rusty water is being studied. Commissioner White stated he would like to progress with the Jefferson Street water line replacement and repair to the water line at Edwards and Adams Street.

11. Commissioner Frailey reported the Electric Department utilized the boring machine for installation of service to the new fitness center on Do It Drive.
12. Mayor Taylor reported he attended a meeting at the Illinois Municipal Electric Agency. The speaker provided information on proposed Federal EPA regulations of emergency generators. The proposal will require installation of hour meters, establishing maintenance records and run reports. All units will be subject to Federal EPA inspections.
13. Clerk Stephen reported Altamont Library Board Members, Florence Good, Kurt Becker and Karon Oliver have agreed to remain on the board for another term. Also, after payment of bills this date, the General Fund balance stands at $34,500.00.
14. The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.

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Meeting Date : April 26, 2010 6:00 P.M.

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OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:Agenda

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2. PUBLIC COMMENTS
3. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS
4. COMMUNICATIONS
5. AGENDA ITEMS

A. *Lynn Kull & Tony Weber; Property Conditions.*

B. *Rescind April 12, 2010 Approval of VFW Roadside Fundraiser and Approve Roadside Fundraiser Request; VFW Poppy Day, May 7, 2010 and Rain Date of May 14.*

C. *Approve Ordinance 461-10; Alley Vacation Request Between Lots 20/21 and Lots 22/23, JW Holz Addition, 100 Block of South Fourth Street.*

D. *Approve Resolution 2010-04-04; Approving Plat of South Oaks Subdivision Addition A.*

E. *Approve Replacement of Squad Car Not to Exceed $10,000.*

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H. ADJOURN

Meeting Minutes Will Be Posted After Approval

Present:	Y	Mayor Taylor	Y	Commissioner Jones	Y	Commissioner White	N	Commissioner Frailey	N	Commissioner Wilson

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session on Monday, April 26, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present; Commissioner Gerald White Jr.; Commissioner Bill Jones; and Mayor Larry Taylor. Also present – Clyde Barr, Altamont News; Lynn Kull, Tony Weber and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk. Commissioner Heidi Wilson and Commissioner Richard Frailey were absent.

1. The Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of prior meeting minutes and payment of bills was approved on a motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
2. The vote was rescinded from a previous meeting, to approve a roadside fundraiser request by the VFW for Poppy Days to be held May 8, 2010 with a rain date of May 15, 2010. And a revised date of May 7, 2010 with a rain date of May 14 was approved on a motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
3. Ordinance 461-10; Vacating an Alley between lots 20/21 and 22/23, JW Holz Addition, 100 Block of South Fourth Street was approved on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Jones. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. Gilbert & Martha Shelton requested the alley vacation. The east 125 feet section of the alley will become a part of Lot 20 and the west 125 feet alley section will become a part of Lot 22.
4. Resolution 2010-04-04; Approving Plat of South Oaks Subdivision, Addition A, was approved on a motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. This creates a one-acre lot where Hillard & Betty Morris have built a home. It also provides for platting of Wurl Lane to be established from Main Street to Edwards Street.
5. Council approved purchasing a squad car to replace the Ford Taurus in an amount not to exceed $10,000. Motion was made by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Jones. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. Pricing will be obtained from several options.
6. Commissioner White reported there are several brown water complaints being received from the North Main area of town. It is believed these problems stem from the broken line under the Conrail tracks at Edwards Street. Commissioner White stated this is one priority repair that should be pursued as soon as possible. The estimated project cost was $30,000 one year ago. Mayor Taylor stated a loan application could be made with South Central Illinois Regional Planning and Development. SCIRPDC would be the best funding opportunity in order to complete the repair project this year. New cost estimates will be needed before making application.
7. Commissioner White also reported the new water transmission line was passed the pressure test. The next step is to receive an approved water quality test. He conveyed a concern from a business owner about temporary signs that were removed from the state right-of-way. Mayor Taylor reiterated temporary signage is not allowed along state right-of-way.
8. Commissioner Jones reported the Garden Club project of the landscaping area in

Schmidt Park has begun. Some trees relocated to clear for the new design.

9. Commissioner Jones has been speaking with Tracy Sutter concerning a recycling program within the City limits. Sutter Sanitation would provide bi-weekly recycling pickup for each home at the rate of $6.85 a month on a year-to-year contract. Recycling containers would be furnished for an additional cost of $3.00 per month and a five-year contract.
10. Commissioner Jones has been working to resolve the drainage and present ditch issue at Hayes and Tenth Streets. Several options were discussed.
11. Mayor Taylor reported according to the census website 74% of Illinois State have responded with 83% of Effingham County.
12. Mayor Taylor informed the Council of a local business that is delinquent on their utility bill. The business owner has agreed to send a payment before the end of April and enter into a payment agreement. The owner has been informed if one payment is delinquent, services will be disconnected and if balance is not collected a lien will be placed on the property.
13. Clerk Stephen reported complaints have been received of ordinance violations concerning tall weeds and grass. Phone calls and/or letters are being made to the property owners.
14. Lynn Kull and Tony Weber addressed the Council regarding what they considered uninhabitable houses in the City. The main concern being children living in unsafe structures, as well as the absence of smoke detectors. They questioned who has the authority to inspect such locations. They felt standards need to be established for homes. Mayor Taylor explained to establish such standards building codes would need to be created and enforced. This is something the City of Altamont has refrained from due to the controlling effect and the cost. It was agreed suggestions from the public would be appreciated. They may be submitted anonymously into the City's drop box location or mailed to the Chamber of Commerce.
15. The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.

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CITY OF ALTAMONT
PUBLIC HEARING
May 10, 2010 - 5:45 p.m.
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS

CDAP Set-Aside Public Infrastructure Grant from
Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity.

Meeting Date : May 10, 2010 6:00 P.M.

On The Agenda

OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:Agenda

1. Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting
   Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bills
2. POLICE REPORT
3. PUBLIC COMMENTS
4. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS
5. COMMUNICATIONS
6. AGENDA ITEMS

   A. *Approve Memorial Day Parade May 31, 2010 at 10:00 am.*

   B. *Approve Raffle License for VFW Post 7676*

   C. *Approve Agreement Between City and Hodge Dwyer & Driver Law Firm to Provide Services Relating to Air Permitting Issues.*

   D. *Approve Ordinance 462-10; Legal Counsel Appointment Ordinance.*

   E. Approve Ordinance 463-10; Appointment Ordinance.

   F. *Discuss Increase of Utility Bill Deposits.*

   G.

   H. ADJOURN

Meeting Minutes Will Be Posted After Approval

Present:	Y	Mayor Taylor	Y	Commissioner Jones	Y	Commissioner White	Y	Commissioner Frailey	Y	Commissioner Wilson

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session on Monday, May 10, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present; Commissioner Gerald White Jr.; Commissioner Bill Jones; Commissioner Heidi Wilson; Commissioner Richard Frailey and Mayor Larry Taylor. Also present – Kendal Balding, Altamont Police Chief and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk.

1. The Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of prior meeting minutes and payment of bills was approved on a motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
2. Chief Kendal Balding presented the April 2010 Police Activity Report as well as the March & April 2010 K-9 Activity Reports.
3. On a motion by Commissioner Frailey and seconded by Commissioner Wilson. Council approved a Memorial Day Parade for May 31, 2010 to being at 10:00 am. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. The parade will step off at the Altamont High School and end at Union Cemetery.
4. The VFW Post Raffle License was approved on a motion by Commissioner Wilson and seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
5. Mayor Taylor presented an agreement between the City and Hodge Dwyer & Driver Law Firm to provide all legal services necessary in connection with air permitting issues. The agreement was approved on a motion by Commissioner Wilson and seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.

6. Ordinance 462-10; Legal Counsel Appointment Ordinance was approved on a motion by Commissioner Frailey and seconded by Commissioner Wilson. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. Taylor Law Offices stand as the appointed legal counsel for the City of Altamont.
7. Ordinance 423-10; Appointment Ordinance was approved on a motion by Commissioner Wilson and seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. Supervisors and administrative positions were established by said ordinance.
8. Council discussed increasing the amount of utility deposits for tenants of residential and commercial properties. The current deposit is $150.00. Mayor Taylor explained tenants are leavings with large delinquent utility bills. An increase to $300.00 or $350.00 was discussed. Council suggested proof of ownership be provided for properties purchased by new owners, as owners of property are not required to make deposits. Buying property on contract will be treated as renting, requiring a deposit. It was also suggested that no pledges be accepted for the deposit. An amended ordinance will be presented at a future meeting.
9. Commissioner White reported hydrant flushing will be taking place this week.
10. Commissioner Frailey complimented the City employees for their efforts during the recent outage caused by a fallen tree along East Division Street. The north sub station has bad breakers.
11. Commissioner Wilson reported volunteers are working good at Gilbert Park. Micah Speers will be hired as summer help at Gilbert Park.
12. Commissioner Jones reported City wide cleanup went well. There is much drainage work needed in the City.
13. Mayor Taylor reported South Central Illinois Regional Planning and Development has $385,000 in grant funds to disburse for electric conservation projects in five counties. The City will be applying for grant funds to replace the heat and air systems at the municipal building and the library.
14. Clerk Stephen reported the Altamont Christian Church is planning mission work for the Altamont area is mid July. They will have carpenters to do work for those needing home repairs. Also, the youth are looking for projects such as the parks.
15. The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Wilson. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.

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Meeting Date : May 24, 2010 6:00 P.M.

On The Agenda

OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:Agenda

1. Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting
   Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bills
2. PUBLIC COMMENTS
3. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

4. COMMUNICATIONS
5. AGENDA ITEMS
   A. *Lynn Kull & Tony Weber*
   B. *Approve Advertising Sale of Ford Taurus Squad Car by Sealed Bid.*
   C. *Approve Ordinance 465-10; Alley Vacation Request Between Lots 1 thru 7 JW Holz Addition, 1st Block of South Fourth Street*
   D. *Approve Resolution 2010-05-05; A.B.A.T.E. Parade, June 26, 2010.*
   E. *Approve Payment Request #2 to JK Trotter & Sons for Installation of Water Transmission Line in amount of $166,787.04.*
   F. *Approve Grant Writing Service Agreement with SCIRP&DC for Set-Aside Infrastructure CDAP Grant Application.*
   G. *Approve Facility Encroachment Agreement with CSX Transportation, Inc.*
   H. *Approve PARKs Raffle License*
   I. *Approve Ordinance 464-10; Amending Utility Deposits*
   J. *Approve Special Liquor License – Altamont Softball Players Assn.*
   K. *Approve Special Liquor License – Altamont Softball Players Assn.*
   L. *Presentation of Altamont Public Library Bylaws & Policies Draft.*
   M. ADJOURN

<u>Meeting Minutes Will Be Posted After Approval</u>

Present:	Y	Mayor Taylor	Y	Commissioner Jones	Y	Commissioner White	Y	Commissioner Frailey	N	Commissioner Wilson

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session on Monday, May 24, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present; Commissioner Gerald White Jr.; Commissioner Bill Jones; Commissioner Richard Frailey and Mayor Larry Taylor. Also present – Clyde Barr, Altamont News and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk. Commissioner Heidi Wilson was absent.

1. The Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of prior meeting minutes and payment of bills was approved on a motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
2. On a motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner Frailey, Council approved the sale of a Ford Taurus squad car by sealed bid. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. Bids will be opened at the regular council meeting of June 28, 2010.
3. Ordinance 465-10; Alley Vacation Request JW Holz Addition was approved on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. The alley, between lots 1 through 7, is vacated becoming a part of Lots 6 and 7. Easements previously held by the City in the alley were released.
4. Resolution 2010-05-05; ABATE Parade was approved on a motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes;

Mayor Taylor, yes. The parade is scheduled for June 26, 2010.

5. Commissioner White made the motion to approve payment request #2 to JK Trotter & Sons in the amount of 166,787.04. Commissioner Frailey seconded the motion. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. Payment represents installation of the water transmission line.
6. Commissioner Jones motioned to approve entering into a grant writing service agreement with South Central Illinois Regional Planning & Development Commission. Commissioner White seconded the motion. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. SCRIP&DC will apply for a set-aside infrastructure CDAP grant. Monies are slated to be use in repairing a broken water line near the CSX Railroad and Adams/Edwards Streets.
7. A Facility Encroachment Agreement with CSX Transportation was approved on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. The agreement will allow for the above mentioned railroad repair.
8. The P.A.R.K.s Committee raffle application was approved on a motion by Commissioner Frailey and seconded by Commissioner Jones. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. The raffle will consist of six consecutive months of raffles each winner receiving a specific gun or cash prize. Proceeds will be used to upgrade the Altamont City parks.
9. Ordinance 464-10; Amending Utility Deposits was approved on a motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. The utility deposit is increased from $150.00 to $300.00, which must be paid by customers renting or purchasing on contract, to receive Altamont utilities. Organizational pledges will not be accepted towards the deposit.
10. On a motion by Commissioner Frailey and seconded by Commissioner White, a special liquor license was approved for the Altamont Softball Players Association effective June 24, 2010 through June 27, 2010. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. This license No. SP-39 will be effective for the Fourth of July softball tournament.
11. On a motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner White, a special liquor license was approved for the Altamont Softball Players Association effective July 29 thru August 1, 2010 and again August 6 thru August, 8, 2010. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. This license No. SP-40 will be effective for the State softball tournament.
12. A draft of the Altamont Public Library By Laws and Policies was presented to the Council for their review. The Altamont Public Library Board be voting on the by-laws and policies at their July meeting.
13. Commissioner White reported the North Wastewater treatment plant has an inoperable pump. The estimated replacement cost is $6000. The EPA has reported the wastewater treatment plants are processing too much water and have been placed on a

watch list. There is no harm to the community. Ground water infiltration from broken lines and storm water connections are the expected causes for the excess water.

14. Commissioner Frailey reported the electric department has been working to install radio read electric meters throughout the town, approximately 200 this month.
15. Commissioner Jones reported a plan and estimated costs have been obtained to correct the drainage issue on West Hayes Street.
16. Mayor Taylor reported the CDAP grant application process is going well and a public hearing will be held June 14, 2010 at 5:00 regarding the project. He also reported Effingham County hosted an economic development meeting to discuss an ad campaign promoting all of Effingham County and the communities.
17. Commissioner Frailey stated he had received complaints regarding Union Cemetery and the lack of drainage, settled dirt around the graves and the road conditions. He received a recommendation to concrete the entrance road up to the veteran's memorial. Council agreed this size of project would need to be contracted by an outside company.
18. Lynn Kull and Tony Weber were not present as listed on the agenda.
19. The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Jones. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.

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CITY OF ALTAMONT
PUBLIC HEARING
June 14, 2010 - 5:00 p.m.
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS

CDAP Set-Aside Public Infrastructure Grant from
Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity.

Meeting Date : June 14, 2010 6:00 P.M.

On The Agenda

OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:Agenda

1. Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting
   Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bills
2. POLICE REPORT
3. PUBLIC COMMENTS
4. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS
5. COMMUNICATIONS
6. AGENDA ITEMS

   A. *Approve Resolution 2010-06-06; Authorizing Submission of CDAP Set-Aside Grant from DCEO .*

   B. *Approve Resolution for 2010 Maintenance of Streets*

C. *Approve Ordinance 466-10; Ascertaining Prevailing Wage Rate.*

D. *Discuss Open Burning Regulations*

E. Resolution 2010-06-07; Authorizing Submission of Energy Efficiency Grants

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H. ADJOURN

Meeting Minutes Will Be Posted After Approval

Present:	Y	Mayor Taylor	N	Commissioner Jones	Y	Commissioner White	N	Commissioner Frailey	Y	Commissioner Wilson

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session on Monday, June 14, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present; Commissioner Gerald White Jr.; Commissioner Heidi Wilson; and Mayor Larry Taylor. Also present – Clyde Barr, Altamont News; Kendal Balding, Altamont Chief of Police and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk. Commissioners Bill Jones and Richard Frailey were absent.

1. The Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of prior meeting minutes and payment of bills was approved on a motion by Commissioner Wilson and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
2. Chief Balding presented the May 2010 police activity report.
3. Resolution 2010-06-06; Authorizing Submission of CDAP Set-Aside Grant from DCEO was approved on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Wilson. Members voted as follows: Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. The grant would provide for replacement of water line under CSX Railroad at the streets of Edwards and Adams.
4. On a motion by Commissioner Wilson and seconded by Commissioner White, a Resolution for the 2010 Maintenance of Streets was approved. Members voted as follows: Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. The estimated cost for 2010 street maintenance is $81,000, which includes a drainage renovation at Hayes and Tenth streets.
5. Ordinance 466-10; Ascertaining Prevailing Wage Rate was approved on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Wilson. Members voted as follows: Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
6. Mayor Taylor reported to the Council he received resident concerns regarding open burning. The Council reviewed the current open burning ordinance. Several options of change were discussed. The Council agreed to research burning ordinances from other communities.
7. Resolution 2010-06-07; Authorizing Submission of an Energy Efficiency Grant Application from South Central Illinois Regional Planning and Development and the Illinois Municipal Electric Agency was approved on a motion by Commissioner Wilson and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. Approval of the grant application would provide funding to replace the HVAC systems of the Municipal Building and Altamont Public Library.
8. Commissioner White reported the new destratifier has been installed in the

reservoir. He mentioned the Council might need to consider a future increase in water rates.

9. Mayor Taylor reported the Energy Efficiency grant application would be submitted on Friday.
10. The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Wilson. Members voted as follows: Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.

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Meeting Date : June 28, 2010 6:00 P.M.

On The Agenda

OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:Agenda

1. Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting
   Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bills
2. PUBLIC COMMENTS
3. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS
4. COMMUNICATIONS
5. AGENDA ITEMS

A. *Open Bids for Sale of 2001 Ford Taurus.*

B. *Approve Sale of 2001 Ford Taurus.*

C. *Approve Thresherman's Parade, July 24, 2010, 3:30 pm*

D. *Approve Resolution 2010-06-08; Authorizing Agreement City of Altamont and Kruger Bros Farms.*

E. *Approve Resolution 2010-06-09; Authorizing Submission of Mobile Data Computer Grant from Illinois Emergency Alarm System.*

F. *Discuss Open Burning Regulations*

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H. ADJOURN

Meeting Minutes Will Be Posted After Approval

Present:	Y	Mayor Taylor	Y	Commissioner Jones	N	Commissioner White	Y	Commissioner Frailey	Y	Commissioner Wilson

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session on Monday, June 28, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Bill Jones; Commissioner Heidi Wilson; and Mayor Larry Taylor. Also present – Alvin Oliver, Lucas Kroening, Clyde Barr, Altamont News and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk. Commissioner Gerald White Jr. was absent.

1. The Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of prior meeting minutes and payment of bills was approved on a motion by Commissioner Wilson and seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
2. Alvin Oliver addressed the Council concerning the open burning regulations. He provided ordinances from other Illinois communities as directives for the Council to

amend the current open burning ordinance. Mayor Taylor stated the Council would take this under advisement. The Mayor requested Altamont residents to give their input of regulations they would like to see in place.

3. Bids were to be opened for the sale of the 2001 Ford Taurus. However, no bids were submitted. Council approved the Mayor accepting the best offer he could obtain. Motion was made by Commissioner Frailey and seconded by Commissioner Wilson. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
4. On a motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner Wilson Council approved the July 24, 2010 Thresherman's parade. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. The parade will begin at 3:30, traveling through the business areas.
5. Resolution 2010-06-08; Authorizing Agreement between the City of Altamont and Kruger Bros Farms was approved on a motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. The agreement conveys ownership of a 3700' water line to the City of Altamont water system. Randall Kruger originally built the water line.
6. Resolution 2010-06-09; Authorizing Submission of Mobile Data Computer Grant from Illinois Emergency Alarm System was presented to the Council. The resolution outlined costs to be paid by the City police department. The cost and installation of docking stations in the squad cars was not available at the time of the meeting, therefore omitted from the resolution. Commissioner Frailey motioned to approve the resolution contingent on the docking station cost, which will be at the Mayor's discretion. Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. Council provided such contingency since the grant deadline was July 2, 2010.
7. Commissioner Wilson reported the recent softball tournament held at Gilbert Park was well attended. Nineteen teams participated.
8. Commissioner Jones reported the Effingham County Highway Department worked with the City to patch South Edwards Street near Highway 40.
9. Mayor Taylor reported the committee overseeing the energy efficiency grant applications submitted to South Central Illinois Regional Planning & Development has recommended full funding for the City. However, the library grant was not recommended. The City will then submit another grant application to Illinois Municipal Electric Agency.
10. The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner Wilson. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.

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Meeting Date : July 12, 2010 6:00 P.M.

On The Agenda

OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:Agenda

1. Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting

Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bills

2. POLICE REPORT
3. PUBLIC COMMENTS
4. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS
5. COMMUNICATIONS
6. AGENDA ITEMS

A. *Approve Resolution 2010-07-10; Effingham County Fair Parade.*

B. *Approve Upgrade of Schmidt Park Restrooms $1230.00*

C. *Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Personnel Matters, 5 ILCS 120, Section 2, 2(c) (2.*

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H. ADJOURN

Meeting Minutes Will Be Posted After Approval

Present:	Y	Mayor Taylor	Y	Commissioner Jones	Y	Commissioner White	N	Commissioner Frailey	N	Commissioner Wilson

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session on Monday, July 12, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present; Commissioner Gerald White; Commissioner Bill Jones; and Mayor Larry Taylor. Also present – Alvin Oliver, Lucas Kroening, Clyde Barr, Altamont News, Altamont Police Chief Kendal Balding, Tom Lester and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk. Commissioner Richard Frailey Jr. and Commissioner Heidi Wilson were absent.

1. The Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of prior meeting minutes and payment of bills was approved on a motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
2. Chief Balding presented the June 2010 Police Activity report as well as the May and June K-9 Activity report.
3. Resolution 2010-07-10; Effingham County Fair Parade was approved on a motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. (Attachment 2) The parade will be held August 1, 2010 at 5:00 pm.
4. Replace of restroom doors at Schmidt Park in the amount of $1230.00 was approved on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Jones. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. The work will be done by Mikel's Construction.
5. Tom Lester addressed the Council concerning the liquor license sales in Gilbert Park during ball tournaments. The Mayor recapped the hours allowed under the liquor ordinance and the necessity to control the drinking age.
6. Lucas Kroening questioned the recent request for motor fuel funds. Commissioner Jones and Mayor Taylor explained if different or additional materials are needed later in the year, another request will be submitted.

7. Mayor Taylor reported the South Central Illinois Regional Planning & Development has approved the energy efficiency grant request submitted by the City. The grant will provide funding for a new heat and air system in the Municipal Building.
8. On a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Jones, Council entered into Executive Session to discuss employment matters (5 ILCS 120, Section 2, (c) (2). Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. No action was taken as a result of Executive Session.
9. The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Jones. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.

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Meeting Date : July 26, 2010 6:00 P.M.

On The Agenda

OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:Agenda

1. Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting
Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bills
2. PUBLIC COMMENTS
3. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS
4. COMMUNICATIONS
5. AGENDA ITEMS

A. *Kurt Becker – Present FYE 2011 Library Budget.*

B. *Approve Resolution 2010-07-11; Supporting Submission of Safe Routes to Schools Program Plan.*

C. *Approve Roadside Fundraiser, Effingham Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive, September 10th & 11th.*

D. *Approve 2010 Street Maintenance Bids*

E. *Discuss Utility Rate Increases*

F. *Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Personnel Matters, 5 ILCS 120, Section 2, 2(c) (2).*

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H. ADJOURN

Meeting Minutes Will Be Posted After Approval

Present:	Y	Mayor Taylor	Y	Commissioner Jones	Y	Commissioner White	Y	Commissioner Frailey	Y	Commissioner Wilson

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session on Monday, July 26, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present; Commissioner Richard Frailey Jr.; Commissioner Heidi Wilson; Commissioner Gerald White; Commissioner Bill Jones; and Mayor Larry Taylor. Also present – Kurt Becker and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk.

1. The Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of prior meeting minutes and payment of bills was approved on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Jones. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey,

yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. (Attachment 1)

2. Kurt Becker, President of Altamont Library Board presented the 2011 library budget. Kurt explained the new budget was a realistic outlook for the year and the library would welcome any belt tightening suggestions. He stated Sam Gnuse is interested in rejuvenating the Library Building Corporation. The library is planning a donation drive campaign. Commissioner White suggested they obtain a voters list from the County and send mailers to the community. Mayor Taylor stated the library is something Altamont can be proud of.
3. Resolution 2010-07-11; support submission of safe routes to schools program plan was approved on a motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
4. Commissioner Wilson motioned to approve a roadside fundraiser request for the Effingham Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive, September 10th and 11th. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
5. The 2010 street maintenance bids were approved on a motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. Bids were awarded as follows:

Miller Lime Service	$3450.00
Larry Heuerman	34799.60
Charles Heuerman Trucking	16040.00

6. Council discussed utility rate increases. Mayor Taylor explained the City provider of electric service, Illinois Municipal Electric Agency, has presently passed a 5% increase onto the City. In October the 5% increase is expected to drop off and then a 3% increase may result in the winter months. These increases are currently reflected in the energy cost adjustments on City of Altamont customer billings. Commissioner White stated, Don't shoot the big gun now for a short term problem. Mayor Taylor stated the industry must increase rates as costs increase, but the City would not need a 5% increase, rather a 1 to 1 ½% increase. Commissioner White stated the water and sewer departments were doing okay. He suggested no large purchases be planned for the new fiscal year. Commissioner Frailey stated the electric department was holding its own at this time. Commissioner Jones suggested trimming costs. The Council will delay any rate increases for now and continually monitor the situation.
7. On a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Wilson, Council entered into Executive Session to discuss employment matters (5 ILCS 120, Section 2,(c) (2). Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. No action was taken as a result of Executive Session.
8. Commissioner White reported a new water meter has been installed at the Altamont Grade School.
9. Commissioner Frailey reported power outages had been handled well by the electric department employees. The recommended poles for the frontage road street lighting project are not available. Commissioner White questioned if the project should be put on hold during these difficult financial times. Commissioner Frailey stated an

estimate would be obtained and then a decision could be made.

10. Commissioner Jones reported the street sweeper has been repaired. The supplies for the Hayes Street drainage project have been ordered.
11. Mayor Taylor suggested a biweekly schedule be setup to clean the downtown area prior to businesses opening.
12. The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Jones. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.

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Meeting Date : August 09, 2010 6:00 P.M.

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5. COMMUNICATIONS
6. AGENDA ITEMS

A. *Approve Resolution 2010-08-12; Schuetzenfest Parade, September 17, 2010, 6:30 pm*

B. *Approve Route of Schuetzenfest 5K Run, September 18, 2010, 8:00 am*

C. *Approve Fireworks Display Request – Irwin Telescopic Seating, October 2, 2010*

D. *Approve Cost of Park Pavilion Rentals*

E. *Approve Increase of Community Room Rentals*

F. *Discuss Variance Request of West Madison Street Property Bordering Property Owned by City of Altamont.*

G.

H. ADJOURN

Meeting Minutes Will Be Posted After Approval

Present:	Y	Mayor Taylor	Y	Commissioner Jones	Y	Commissioner White	Y	Commissioner Frailey	Y	Commissioner Wilson

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session on Monday, August 09, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present; Commissioner Richard Frailey Jr.; Commissioner Bill Jones; and Mayor Larry Taylor. Also present – Altamont Police Chief, Kendal Balding; Tyson Pearcy, Altamont News and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk. Commissioner Heidi Wilson and Commissioner Gerald White were not present at the start of the meeting.

1. The Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of prior meeting minutes and payment of bills was approved on a motion by Commissioner Frailey and seconded by Commissioner Jones. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey,

yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.

2. Police Chief Kendal Balding presented the July 2010 Police Activity Report.
3. Mayor Taylor reported two part-time officers have been hired in an attempt to decrease overtime costs. They are Jonathon Julius and Kevin Jenne.
4. Commissioner White entered the meeting at this time.
5. Tyson Pearcy addressed the Council asking for an explanation of the energy cost adjustment, which appears on City of Altamont electric utility bills. Mayor Taylor explained the cost per kilowatt is a result of the difference between the cost paid to Illinois Municipal Electric Agency for initial cost of electricity and the cost charged to customers of the Altamont electric utility. A decrease in the energy cost adjustment is expected in the fall.
6. Resolution 2010-08-12; Schuetzenfest parade, September 17, 2010 was approved on a motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. (Attachment 2) The parade will step off at 6:30 pm at Main St and Adams.
7. On a motion by Commissioner Frailey and seconded by Commissioner Jones, the route of the Schuetzenfest 5K run was approved. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. The event is planned for September 18, 2010 beginning at 8:00 am.
8. Irwin Telescopic Seating has requested permission for a fireworks display within the City limits as part of their 25th anniversary celebration. Commissioner Jones motioned to approve the request. Commissioner Frailey seconded the motion. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. The display will be presented October 2, 2010 directly south of Irwin Telescopic Seating. Brian Marxman, dba J& M Displays, an Illinois licensed pyrotechnic will conduct the display. Proper insurance coverage has been provided.
9. A motion was made by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Frailey to activate a $25.00 fee for all park pavilion rentals, beginning with new bookings. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. The cost will help defer annual maintenance and the payroll costs for extra weekend cleanup.
10. A motion was made by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Jones to increase rental of the community room from $20.00 to $40.00 effective immediately. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. Service organizations are exempt.
11. Mayor Taylor explained to the Council, as an adjoining property owner, the City has been notified of a variance request by Dave Yagow. The request is for the setback to be reduced from 9 feet to 2 feet at 205 West Madison Avenue. Commissioner White stated the new home built in the adjacent lot already has an occupant. Commissioner Jones stated 2 feet seemed close and would recommend a 4-foot setback to the Zoning Board. Mayor Taylor will explain the discussion to the Zoning Board.
12. Commissioner White reported the sand filter trouble has been corrected.
13. Commissioner Frailey reported he met with electric department employees to discuss cost cutting measures. They are being proactive on the situation.

14. The Council reviewed a letter Commissioner Wilson prepared requesting contributions to the Altamont park fund. The letter will be distributed to residents within the Altamont school district.
15. Commissioner Jones reported the materials have arrived for the Hayes Street drainage project. Oiling may begin Friday, August 13, 2010. He stated a street sweeping schedule would be setup for early morning hours.
16. Commissioner Wilson entered the meeting.
17. The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Jones. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.

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Meeting Date : August 23, 2010 6:00 P.M.

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2. PUBLIC COMMENTS
3. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS
4. COMMUNICATIONS
5. AGENDA ITEMS

A. *Larry Feng – DBH & Associates to present FYE 2010 Audit.*

B. *Approve Roadside Fundraiser, Effingham Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive, September 24th.*

C. *Approve Special Liquor License for Wright Mansion Wine Tasting Event; Sept 18, 2010.*

D. *Approve Ordinance 468-10; Amending 465-10 Vacating a Public Alley.*

E. *Approve Ordinance 469-10; Establishing Salaries for the Mayor and City Commissioners.*

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H. ADJOURN

Meeting Minutes Will Be Posted After Approval

Present:	Y	Mayor Taylor	Y	Commissioner Jones	Y	Commissioner White	Y	Commissioner Frailey	Y	Commissioner Wilson

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session on Monday, August 23, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Gerald White; Commissioner Bill Jones; and Mayor Larry Taylor. Also present –Clyde Barr, Altamont News; Larry Feng, DBH & Associates; Terry Hahn and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk. Commissioner Heidi Wilson was not present at the start of the meeting.

1. The Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of prior meeting minutes and payment of bills was approved on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Jones. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
2. Larry Feng of DBH & Associates presented the audit report for the fiscal year ending April 30, 2010. The report reflected an overall decrease in cash flow with the General Fund decreasing by $68,891. Mr. Feng stated this is normal for the economic times. Commissioner White posed questions concerning the audit documents.
3. Commissioner Wilson entered the meeting at this time.
4. A roadside fundraiser request by the Effingham Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive was approved on a motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. The fundraiser date is set for September 24, 2010 replacing a previously approved date.
5. A special liquor license was granted for the Wright Mansion Wine Tasting event to be held on September 18, 2010. Motion to approve was made by Commissioner Wilson and seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
6. Ordinance 468-10; Amending 465-10 Vacating a Public Alley was approved on a motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner Wilson. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
7. Ordinance 469-10; Establishing Salaries for Mayor and City Commissioners was approved on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Wilson. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. Salaries were not increased by this ordinance.
8. Commissioner White reported there have been two water leaks repaired by the City crews.
9. Commissioner Frailey reported the Electric Department has been removing damaged trees. They also have prepared an electrical connection for the Methodist Men to utilize at the Triangle with their electric fryer.
10. Commissioner Wilson reported Bill Klitzing and Micah Speers have continued to work at Gilbert Park under the employment of the Altamont School District and the men's league until their seasons end. Those entities will also be responsible for fuel purchases during this time.
11. Commissioner Jones reported the sidewalk replacement along the north side of the Methodist Church is very pleasing to everyone. Next week the Hayes Street drainage project will begin.
12. Mayor Taylor reported he attended an IMEA meeting concerning Federal EPA generator air emission compliance. The water and sewer generators are exempt from compliance as the generators are used for auxiliary power only to the respective locations. However, the city's generation plant is not exempt. Contractors have quoted a cost of $270,000 to satisfy the 2013 conversion deadline. City employees labor may be utilized to save costs. Details are stilled being obtained.
13. The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by

Commissioner Wilson. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.

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Meeting Date : September 13, 2010 6:00 P.M.

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5. COMMUNICATIONS
6. AGENDA ITEMS
   A. *Approve Ordinance VA1260; Setback 205 West Madison Ave*
   B. *Approve Ordinance SP1261; Home Day Care, 402 North Eighth St*
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   H. ADJOURN

Meeting Minutes Will Be Posted After Approval

Present:	Y	Mayor Taylor	Y	Commissioner Jones	Y	Commissioner White	Y	Commissioner Frailey	Y	Commissioner Wilson

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session on Monday, September 13, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Heidi Wilson; Commissioner Gerald White; Commissioner Bill Jones; and Mayor Larry Taylor. Also present –Clyde Barr, Altamont News; Kendal Balding, Altamont Chief of Police; Dave Yagow; Rex Homan; Terry Hahn and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk.

1. The Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of prior meeting minutes and payment of bills was approved on a motion by Commissioner Wilson and seconded by Commissioner Jones. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
2. Chief Kendal Balding presented the August 2010 Police Activity Report.
3. Rex Homan addressed the Council concerning the care of recent graves. He presented pictures of a family members grave needing dirt replacement and grass sown. He also stated piles of dirt were not being removed after a grave was dug. Commissioner Wilson commented she had spoken to Ty Moore, contractor of grave openings, about the cleanup of gravesites.

4. Ordinance VA1260 was presented to the Council for approval. Dave Yagow, owner and building contractor was present. Mayor Taylor asked Mr. Yagow to reduce the infringement on the neighboring property owned by the City, as the overhang would be directly on the property line. Mr. Yagow agreed. Commissioner Jones moved to approve the ordinance. Commissioner White seconded the motion. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
5. Ordinance SP1261 regarding a home day care at 402 North Eight Street was approved on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Wilson. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
6. Commissioner White reported a meeting was held with Bernardi Securities regarding the possibility of selling municipal bonds to finance water line replacement in the troubled area of West Jefferson Street and possibly lining sewer mains and manholes. Representatives of Bernardi Securities would like to address the Council at the regular meeting on September 27th. In the mean time they will be reviewing current bond issues held by the City for refinancing at a lower percentage rate, thus saving money to provide for the main replacement project.
7. Commissioner Wilson reported the poles have been set for the disc golf course. Concrete pillars, which came from the former World Color Press building, are being used for a bridge over the creek to complete the course.
8. Commissioner Jones reported the Hayes Street drainage project is looking good and should be completed in the near future.
9. Mayor Taylor reported he toured the new IMEA power plant in Trimble County Kentucky. It should be online in 2011.
10. Clerk Stephen reported election petitions for the April 2011 election will be available beginning September 21, 2010. However, the State of Illinois will not have the candidates guide released until September 24th.
11. Clerk Stephen stated calls are received from spring until fall regarding flowerbeds and landscaping locations that are not being maintained. She presented the idea of an "adopt a flower bed" program that could be coordinated with the Garden Club, so as not to be confused with their projects. One flowerbed to maintain may not be overwhelming to a volunteer who wants to make a difference in the community. Commissioner Wilson offered to contact the Garden Club with this proposal.
12. The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Wilson. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.

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Meeting Date : September 27, 2010 6:00 P.M.

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4. COMMUNICATIONS
5. AGENDA ITEMS

A. *John Vezzetti, Bernardi Securities regarding Finance Opportunities.*

B. *Approve Ordinance VA-1267; Amending Ordinance VA-1217, 1000 South Main Street, Storage Units.*

C. *Approve Halloween Parade Route.*

D. *Approve Masonic Lodge Street Closing Request, Saturday October 30, 2010.*

E. *Discuss City Tow Surcharge.*

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H. ADJOURN

Meeting Minutes Will Be Posted After Approval

Present:	Y	Mayor Taylor	Y	Commissioner Jones	Y	Commissioner White	Y	Commissioner Frailey	Y	Commissioner Wilson

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session on Monday, September 27, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Heidi Wilson; Commissioner Gerald White; Commissioner Bill Jones; and Mayor Larry Taylor. Also present – Terry Hahn, Lisa Schmidt, John Vezzetti, and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk.

1. The Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of prior meeting minutes and payment of bills was approved on a motion by Commissioner Wilson and seconded by Commissioner Jones. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
2. John Vezzetti of Bernardi Securities addressed the City Council with proposals to refinance existing debt of the water and electric departments. The current water bonds hold the interest rate of 5%. The bonds could be refinanced at approximately 3.4% if closed by mid December. They are proposing revenue bonds, which will require a levy of the annual payment. That amount is then abated reflecting sufficient revenue to satisfy the annual debt of that year. The result would be early payoff of a 1972 GMAC bond issue, relieving required reserve accounts to be used to pay down the 1994 Rural Development Bond that will be refinanced. The water department could then finance needed water main replacements and painting of the water tower without an increase of annual loan payments. The electric department 2002 bond issue may be refinanced from the current rate of 5.25% to 3.62% resulting in a savings in excess of $48,000 over the life of the bond. Estimated construction costs will be determined before Council action is taken to proceed with the above proposals.
3. Ordinance VA-1267; Amending Ordinance VA-1217 was approved on a motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner Wilson. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. Ordinance allowed a minimum setback reduction from the original 25 feet to 10 feet for construction of a storage facility at 1000 South Main Street.
4. The Halloween parade route request of the Altamont Masonic Lodge was approved on

a motion by Commissioner Frailey and seconded by Commissioner Wilson. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. The parade is scheduled for October 30, 2010 at 4:00 pm., beginning at Altamont High School and ending at Klitzing Park.

5. A request of the Altamont Masonic Lodge for street closings and use of Klitzing Park was approved on a motion by Commissioner Wilson and seconded by Commissioner Jones. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. The streets of Madison from Main to Second, Monroe from Main to Second and Second Street from Monroe to Madison will be closed to vehicle traffic on October 30, 2010 for the safety of pedestrians at the conclusion of the parade.
6. Mayor Taylor opened discussion of a City tow fee as an additional revenue source. The charge would be passed to the owner of any vehicle that is towed by direction of the Altamont Police Department as a result of traffic, misdemeanor or felony offenses. Vehicles would not be release by the towing company without proof of the fee being paid to the City. 31 tows have been coordinated by the Altamont Police Department since January 2010. Coordination with towing companies will be finalized prior to ordinance presentation.
7. Commissioner Wilson reported plans for a park district referendum on the upcoming ballot is progressing. She received no response to the letter requesting donations for support of the parks.
8. Commissioner Jones reported the Hayes Street drainage project only needs landscaping to complete the project.
9. Clerk Stephen reported the Department of Labor recently completed a safety inspection. A letter of findings will be forthcoming. She also reported she attended Municipal Clerks of Illinois annual training. A summary of upcoming law changes was presented, some of which will require new ordinances or revisions of existing ones.
10. The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Wilson. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.

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Meeting Date : October 11, 2010 6:00 P.M.

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5. COMMUNICATIONS
6. AGENDA ITEMS
   A. *John Vezzetti, Bernardi Securities regarding Finance Opportunities.*

B. *Approve Ordinance 470-10; Proposing the Issuance of General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2010, of the City in an Aggregate Principal Amount Not to Exceed $2,700,000.00*

C. *Approve Ordinance VA-1267a; Amending Ordinance VA-1267, 1000 South Main Street, Storage Units.*

D. *Approve Encroachment Permit 2010-1; 206 South Tenth Street .*

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H. ADJOURN

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Present:	Y	Mayor Taylor	Y	Commissioner Jones	Y	Commissioner White	Y	Commissioner Frailey	N	Commissioner Wilson

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session on Monday, October 11, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Gerald White; Commissioner Bill Jones; and Mayor Larry Taylor. Also present – Kevin Whitten, Water Dept Supr; Kendal Balding, Altamont Chief of Police; John Vezzetti, Bernardi Securities; and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk. Commissioner Heidi Wilson was absent.

1. The Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of prior meeting minutes and payment of bills was approved on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
2. Chief Balding presented the September 2010 police activity report. Commissioner Frailey questioned Chief Balding about enforcement of the no smoking law. Mayor Taylor stated the Effingham County Sheriff and State's Attorney are handling that issue.
3. John Vezzetti of Bernardi Securities spoke with the Council as a follow-up to the September 27th meeting. Mr. Vezzetti stated, Build America Bonds, in which there is a 35% rebate to the City of the interest payment, would best serve the City.
4. Ordinance 470-10; Proposing the Issuance of General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2010, of the City in an Aggregate Principal Amount Not to Exceed $2,700,000.00 was approved on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Jones. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
5. Ordinance VA-1267a; Amending Ordinance VA-1267 was approved on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. The ordinance clarifies a variance of a setback at 1000 South Main Street for the construction of an additional storage unit.
6. Encroachment Permit 2010-1 regarding 206 South Tenth Street was approved on a motion by Commissioner Frailey and seconded by Commissioner Jones. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. The permit allows an electric fence to remain on City right-of-way.
7. Commissioner Frailey reported Seth Hoffman of the Electric Department has

completed lineman's training.

8. Mayor Taylor reported he attended an Illinois Department of Transportation informational meeting. A five-year plan to improve Route 40 was discussed. Mayor Taylor recommended the storm sewer be replaced along the highway.
9. The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Jones. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.

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Meeting Date : October 25, 2010 6:00 P.M.

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   A. *Discuss Leaf Pickup Schedule*
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   H. ADJOURN

Meeting Minutes Will Be Posted After Approval

Present:	Y	Mayor Taylor	N	Commissioner Jones	Y	Commissioner White	Y	Commissioner Frailey	Y	Commissioner Wilson

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session on Monday, October 25, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Heidi Wilson; Commissioner Gerald White; and Mayor Larry Taylor. Also present – Sarah Stephen, City Clerk. Commissioner Bill Jones was absent at the start of the meeting.

1. The Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of prior meeting minutes and payment of bills was approved on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
2. Council discussed the leaf pickup schedule. The week of November 8th was set as the beginning of leaf pickup with curb and gutter streets to be cleaned prior to the 8th.
3. Commissioner Jones entered the meeting at this time.
4. Commissioner Wilson reported installation of the new park equipment in Schmidt

Park was a fantastic day. Edging is needed to maintain the new mulch placed in the play area. She also reported the wooden playground items at Schmidt Park were deteriorating from age. The wooden items will be removed as soon as possible.

5. Commissioner Jones reported the PARKs Committee has requested the merry go round that was removed from Schmidt Park not be returned to Schmidt Park. It will re purposed in Gilbert Park. He also reported he has received comments about an abundance of decorations at Union Cemetery. Grave decorations regulations are being considered.
6. Mayor Taylor reported the Trimble County Kentucky power plant is 99% complete.
7. Mayor Taylor mentioned leaf burning regulations have previously been discussed by the Council and brought forward by residents of the City. Options discussed included scheduled days and hours to allow burning of leaves only or totally forbid burning of leaves. Disallow burning of landscape waste. With regard to burning in fire pits, Council discussed regulating the size and style of a burning pit, regulating the hours and only allowing clean dry wood to be burned. An ordinance will be prepared for future presentation of a vote.
8. The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Wilson. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.

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CITY OF ALTAMONT
PUBLIC HEARING
November 08, 2010 - 6:00 p.m.

MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS

Bond Issue Notification – Proposing Issuance of General Obligation Bonds.

Meeting Date : November 08, 2010 6:05 P.M.

On The Agenda

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6. AGENDA ITEMS
   A. *Approve Ordinance VA-1274; 206 South Tenth Street*
   B. *Approve JK Trotter Contract Change Order, Parallel Water Main Extension.*

C. *Approve Third & Final Payment Request to JK Trotter in the Amount of $6,177.65 Regarding Parallel Water Main Extension.*

D. *Approve Encroachment Permit; 110 North Tenth Street*

E. *Approve CEFS Memorandum of Understanding*

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H. ADJOURN

Meeting Minutes Will Be Posted After Approval

Present:	Y	Mayor Taylor	Y	Commissioner Jones	Y	Commissioner White	Y	Commissioner Frailey	N	Commissioner Wilson

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session on Monday, November 8, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Bill Jones; Commissioner Gerald White; and Mayor Larry Taylor. Also present – Janet Burgess; Clyde Barr, Altamont News; Sarah Stephen, City Clerk. Commissioner Heidi Wilson was absent.

1. The Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of prior meeting minutes and payment of bills was approved on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
2. Chief Balding was not present for police report.
3. Ordinance VA-1274 concerning 206 South Tenth Street was approved on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. Variance allows Janet Burgess to graze horses and have an electric fence within the City limits. This variance does not transfer to future property owners.
4. A Contract Change Order between the City and J.K. Trotter regarding the parallel water main extension was approved on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
5. The third and final pay request to J.K. Trotter in the amount of $8,184.55 was approved on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Jones. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. The amount approved was a correction from the amount stated on the agenda. This payment finalizes installation of the parallel water main extension.
6. An encroachment permit for 110 North Tenth Street was approved on a motion by Commissioner Frailey and seconded by Commissioner Jones. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. The location has a 100 foot right of way as Tenth Street was historically set to be Main Street. The encroachment allows property owner, Doug Phillips, to construct a split rail fence on the City right of way.
7. Commissioner White motioned to approve a three year Memorandum of Understanding with CEFS to provide a location for the senior meal program. Commissioner Frailey seconded the motion. Members voted as follows:

Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. The memorandum will expire September 30, 2013.

8. Commissioner White reported a cell is being opened in the sewer lagoon. With no rain or infiltration the ponds are clearing. The water reservoir is down 27".
9. Commissioner Frailey reported the Electric Department will be boring a new service on south Fourth Street for a residential construction.
10. Commissioner Jones reported leaf pickup has begun.
11. Mayor Taylor reported and distributed violation notices from a recent Illinois Department of Labor inspection. Some infractions have already been corrected. Repair of the St. Clair and Edwards water line is pending formal approval and receipt of grant funds.
12. Mayor Taylor stated Officer John Cotton has requested permission to drive his squad car to his residence, as he is on continual call with the ILEAS Swat team. Driving to Altamont for the squad car delays his response time. Council members did not object to this request.
13. Owners of Schultz's Dairy Bar have contacted the Mayor requesting permission to expand their building for a larger kitchen area. Concerns of the proximity to the walking path were mentioned, as well as the amount of cooking grease being processed through the City's sewer system. A request was made for a drawing of building plans.
14. Mayor Taylor reported the Safe Routes to Schools plan has been approved. This is the first step in request funding for route improvements.
15. Clerk Stephen reported Rob Grupe has requested use of the sidewalks near the Triangle. Operation Snowball would like to use chalk drawings to convey messages during drug awareness week. Council members were supportive of the project.
16. Clerk Stephen provided the Council with information concerning House Bill 5154, amending the Freedom of Information Act and disclosure of public servant personnel records. Commissioners were encouraged to contact legislators and voice their concerns.
17. Mayor Taylor reported legislation has been approved that bucket truck operators are required to be certified by 2014. The Illinois Municipal Utility Agency is establishing a training curriculum.
18. The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.

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Meeting Date : November 22, 2010 6:00 P.M.

On The Agenda

OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:Agenda

1. Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting
   Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bills
2. POLICE REPORT
3. PUBLIC COMMENTS
4. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

5. COMMUNICATIONS
5. AGENDA ITEMS

A. *Approve Ordinance 471-10; Authorizing and providing for the issuance of Taxable General Obligation Bonds (Waterworks Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2010A (Build America Bonds – Direct Payment To City) and General Obligation Refunding Bonds (Waterworks Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2010B of the City of Altamont, Effingham County, Illinois, for the purpose of defraying the cost of refunding prior bonds of the City, improving the waterworks system, prescribing all the details of said bonds, providing for an alternate revenue source to pay the principal of and interest on said bonds, and providing for the collection, segregation and distribution of the revenues of the waterworks system of said City*

B. *Approve Ordinance 472-10; Authorizing and providing for the issuance of General Obligation Refunding Bonds (Electric Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2010C, of the City of Altamont, Effingham County, Illinois, for the purposes of defraying the cost of refunding certain existing bonds of said City, prescribing all the details of said bonds, providing for an alternate revenue source to pay the principal of and interest on said bonds, and providing for the collection, segregation and distribution of the revenues of the electric system of said City.*

C. *Announce Estimated Levy Amount*

D. *Approve Encroachment Permit; 107 West Monroe.*

E. *Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Personnel Matters, 5 ILCS 120, Section 2, 2(c) (2).*

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H. ADJOURN

Meeting Minutes Will Be Posted After Approval

Present:	Y	Mayor Taylor	Y	Commissioner Jones	Y	Commissioner White	Y	Commissioner Frailey	Y	Commissioner Wilson

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session on Monday, November 22, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Heidi Wilson; Commissioner Bill Jones; Commissioner Gerald White Jr; and Mayor Larry Taylor. Also present – Bill Grimes, Effingham Daily News; Eric Morris; Terry Hahn; Altamont News; Roger Beccue; Kendal Balding, Altamont Chief of Police; John Vezzetti, Bernardi Securities; Sarah Stephen, City Clerk.

1. The Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of prior meeting minutes and payment of bills was approved on a motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner Wilson. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
2. Chief Balding presented the October 2010 Police Activity Report.
3. Ordinance 471-10; Authorizing and providing for the issuance of Taxable General Obligation Bonds (Waterworks Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2010A (Build America Bonds – Direct Payment To City) and General Obligation Refunding Bonds (Waterworks Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2010B of the City of Altamont, Effingham County, Illinois, for the purpose of defraying the cost of refunding prior bonds of the City, improving the waterworks system, prescribing all the details of said

bonds, providing for an alternate revenue source to pay the principal of and interest on said bonds, and providing for the collection, segregation and distribution of the revenues of the waterworks system of said City was approved on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.

4. Ordinance 472-10; Authorizing and providing for the issuance of General Obligation Refunding Bonds (Electric Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2010C, of the City of Altamont, Effingham County, Illinois, for the purposes of defraying the cost of refunding certain existing bonds of said City, prescribing all the details of said bonds, providing for an alternate revenue source to pay the principal of and interest on said bonds, and providing for the collection, segregation and distribution of the revenues of the electric system of said City was approved on a motion by Commissioner Frailey and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
5. John Vezzetti of Bernardi Securities addressed the Council concerning the above bond issues. Bond sales began Friday November 19th and all were sold by 1:30 Monday November 22nd. He stated the City has entered into the new bonds at an opportune time, as the rates remain relatively low. The City received an A- rating from Standard & Poor's, which is exceptional for a community of 2300 population. The anticipated closing date is December 15, 2010.
6. Mayor Taylor presented the 2011 Estimated Tax Levy in the amount of $229,465. The amount of $76,165 will be abated, leaving a final levy of $153,300 a 4.24% increase over the prior year. It is anticipated residents will see a lower municipal tax as the EAV will increase in the same year.
7. An Encroachment Permit for 107 West Monroe was approved on a motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner Wilson. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. The encroachment provides for a privacy fence to be installed 6 feet onto the City easement.
8. Commissioner Wilson reported a meeting is scheduled with the City attorney to discuss the details of placing a park district referendum on the upcoming ballot. Plans are being made to present plans at meetings of organizations in the area. The park district is planned to encompass the Altamont school district and to include all Altamont City parks.
9. Commissioner Jones reported drainage maintenance has begun in the ADM and railroad area.
10. Commissioner Jones motioned to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters, 5 ILCS 120, Section 2, 2(c) (2). Commissioner White seconded the motion. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
11. Council returned to regular session at 6:55 pm. No action was taken as a result of the Executive Session.
12. The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Wilson. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes;

Mayor Taylor, yes.

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CITY OF ALTAMONT
PUBLIC HEARING
December 13, 2010 - 5:45 p.m.
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS

Truth in Taxation Hearing for 2010 Tax Levy Increase.

Meeting Date : December 13, 2010 6:00 P.M.

On The Agenda

OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:Agenda

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   Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bills
2. POLICE REPORT
3. PUBLIC COMMENTS
4. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS
5. COMMUNICATIONS
6. AGENDA ITEMS
   A. *Approve 2011 Holiday Schedule.*
   B. *Resolution 2010-12-13; Establishing 2011 Meeting Schedule.*
   C. *Approve Renewal of Employee Assistance Program.*
   D. *Approve Ordinance 473-10; Amending Appropriation FYE 2011.*
   E. *Approve Ordinance 474-10; Levying Taxes FYE 2011.*
   F. *Approve Ordinance 475-10; Abating Waterworks Bond 2010 Tax Levy.*
   G. *Approve Ordinance 476-10; Abating Electric Bond 2010 Tax Levy.*
   H. *Approve Purchase of Mini-Excavator from Diamond Equipment in the amount of $23,000 to Include $8,500 Trade in Value of Trencher.*
   I. *Approve Altamont Dairy Bar Expansion Request.*
   J. ADJOURN

Meeting Minutes Will Be Posted After Approval

Present:	Y	Mayor Taylor	Y	Commissioner Jones	Y	Commissioner White	Y	Commissioner Frailey	Y	Commissioner Wilson

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session on Monday, December 13, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Heidi Wilson; Commissioner Bill Jones; Commissioner Gerald White Jr; and Mayor Larry Taylor. Also present – Terry Hahn; Clyde Barr, Altamont News; and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk.

1. The Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of prior meeting minutes and payment of bills was approved on a motion by Commissioner Wilson and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
2. Chief Balding was not present for reporting.
3. The 2011 holiday schedule was approved on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
4. Resolution 2010-12-13 Establishing 2011 Meeting Schedule was approved on a motion by Commissioner Frailey and seconded by Commissioner Wilson. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. (Attachment 2) Meeting times will remain at 6:00 pm the second and fourth Monday of each month.
5. Commissioner White motioned to renew the employee assistance program provided by Sarah Bush Hospital. Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
6. Ordinance 473-10; Amending Appropriation FYE 2011 was approved on a motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner Wilson. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. The majority of the changes related to the recent bond refinancing for the Electric and Water Departments.
7. Ordinance 474-10; Levying Taxes FYE 2011 was approved on a motion by Commissioner Frailey and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
8. Ordinance 475-10; Abating Waterworks Bond 2010 Tax Levy was approved on a motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner Wilson. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. The abated amount is $127,567.
9. Ordinance 476-10; Abating Electric Bond 2010 Tax Levy was approved on a motion by Commissioner Frailey and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. The abated amount if $91,100.
10. Commissioner Wilson motioned to approve the purchase of a mini-excavator from Diamond Equipment in the amount of $23,000 including $8,500 trade in of a trencher. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. The excavator will be purchased with Cemetery and Electric Department funds. Commissioner Frailey commented the mini-excavator will create little disturbance of yards and streets as compared to the backhoe. Future plans are for City employees to provide grave openings with use of this machine.
11. Mayor Taylor presented a drawing of a proposed 10x13 expansion to the northwest side of the existing Altamont Dairy Bar building. Plans reflect the new addition

would be seven feet from the walking path. He also read a letter opposing the expansion and commented several residents have approached the Mayor expressing opposition to the issue. Commissioner White expressed concern about the sales tax revenue lost if the seating area is reduced. He also has received negative comments about the expansion, as this will consume part of City property known as Schmidt Park. Zoning regulations require Zoning Board procedures be followed with Board recommendations submitted before the Council can give final approval. Commissioner White made the motion to table the approval and the City Council hold a public hearing to gather citizen input concerning the proposed expansion on January 10, 2011 at 6:00. Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.

12. Commissioner Wilson reported after a meeting with the City attorney it was discovered a referendum regarding creation of a park district will not be placed on the April 5, 2011 ballot. Time will not allow for all the deadlines to be met. She also was informed the City will relinquish ownership of the park property to any park district created, a board will be elected by taxpayer votes, and it would be two years before the park district would receive levied monies. She stated there are many issues to consider. April 2012 is the next scheduled election available for the referendum.
13. Commissioner Jones reported the street sweeper brushes were recently replaced and the salt spreader required extensive repairs after a breakdown during the recent storm.
14. Clerk Stephen reported Central Illinois Recycling has requested placing recycle receptacles in the City. The company will be invited to a future Council meeting to explain their plans.
15. The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Wilson. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.

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Meeting Date : December 27, 2010 6:00 P.M.

On The Agenda

OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:Agenda

1. Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting
   Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bills
2. PUBLIC COMMENTS
3. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS
4. COMMUNICATIONS
5. AGENDA ITEMS
   A. *Appoint Jeff Simpson to Enterprise Zone Board.*
   B. *Present 2009 Motor Fuel Audit.*
   C.
   D.
   E.
   F.

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H. ADJOURN

Meeting Minutes Will Be Posted After Approval

Present:	Y	Mayor Taylor	Y	Commissioner Jones	N	Commissioner White	Y	Commissioner Frailey	Y	Commissioner Wilson

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session on Monday, December 27, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Heidi Wilson; Commissioner Bill Jones; and Mayor Larry Taylor. Also present – Kendal Balding, Altamont Police Chief; and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk. Commissioner Gerald White Jr was absent.

1. The Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of prior meeting minutes and payment of bills was approved on a motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner Wilson. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.
2. Chief Balding presented the November 2010 police activity report.
3. On a motion by Commissioner Frailey and seconded by Commissioner Wilson, Jeff Simpson is appointed to the Enterprise Zone Board. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes. Jeff Simpson will replace Charles Voelker, who did not seek re-election to the Effingham County Board.
4. The 2009 Motor Fuel Audit was presented to the City Council.
5. Mayor Taylor reported Fred Walker, Executive Director, of South Central Illinois Regional Planning and Development Commission will be retiring in 2011. Replacements are being interviewed.
6. The Owner of the Super 8 Motel asked the Council if any progress had been made with IDOT in regard to installing lighting near the motel entrance. The Mayor explained no word has been received and at this time IDOT is in control of the situation.
7. The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner Frailey and seconded by Commissioner Wilson. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Wilson, yes; Mayor Taylor, yes.

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