CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
January 09, 2012 - 6:00 p.m.

Agenda

1. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:
   Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings
   Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bill

2. POLICE REPORT

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

4. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

5. COMMUNICATIONS

6. AGENDA ITEMS

   A. *Announce Hiring of Full Time Police Officer.*

   B. *Approve Ordinance 505-12; Amending Sewer Rates.*

   C. *Approve Ordinance 506-12; Amending the Liquor Control Ordinance.*

   D. *Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Lease of Personal Property 5 ILCS 120, Section 2, 2 (c) (5).*

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   G. *ADJOURN*

POSTED: January 07, 2012- 4:00 p.m.

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SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
January 09, 2012

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on January 09, 2012, 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 –Gale Warner; Charles Scholes; Members of Boy Scout Troup 140; Dr. Steven Bailey; Terry Hahn, Sewer Department Supervisor; Police Chief Kendal Balding; Clyde Barr, Altamont News and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk. Commissioner Jason Williams and Commissioner Richard Frailey were absent.

The meeting was opened with the Boy Scouts leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

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; and Mayor Taylor, yes. (Attachment 1)

Police Chief Kendal Balding presented the December 2011 Police Activity Report.

Charles Scholes of 105 Ash Street spoke to the Council regarding a drainage issue behind his residence. He stated 48 hours after a rain water continues to stand. He requested the City allow for a 4" deep ditch that would drain between 105 Ash Street and Peoples Bank into Ash Street. Commissioner Jones stated the City had been reluctant to create the drainage on private property. It was agreed this area would be a mosquito habitation and should be taken care of. Mayor Taylor stated the City would survey the area and work on correcting the issue.

Mayor Taylor announced Chuck Robertson would be promoted from part time police officer to fill the full time police officer vacancy. He will begin work on January 24th.

Ordinance 505-12; Amending Sewer Rates was presented for Council approval. The rate increase for non-metered residential users was discussed and modified to reflect a less significant increase. Commissioner White motioned to approve the ordinance with modifications. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner White, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes. Monthly rates are established for non-metered users at 15.00, 2013 $16.80 and 2014 $18.82. All other rate increases stayed as documented.

Ordinance 506-12; Amending the Liquor Control Ordinance was approved on a motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner White, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes. Mayor Taylor stated two letters had been received concerning the ordinance change, one apposing and one supporting the restriction of convenience store liquor sales.

Commissioner Jones reported the tree trimming contract has been fulfilled.

Mayor Taylor reported he spoke with Jim Ray, owner of Ray's Sanitation, regarding the complaints received about garbage pickup service. Jim Ray assured the service will continue as it had been in the past, unless he has spoken to the resident and an agreement has been made to pick up garbage earlier in the day. The City will continue to track complaints. Jim Ray stated he would make things right.

On a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Jones Council entered into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters, 5 ILCS 120, Section 2, 2(c), 2 and lease of personal property 5 ILCS 120, Section 2, 2(c) (5). Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner White, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

No action was taken as a result of Executive Session.

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; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
January 23, 2012 - 6:00 p.m.

Agenda

1. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:
   Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings
   Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bill

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

3. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

4. COMMUNICATIONS

5. AGENDA ITEMS

   A. *Open Mowing Bids.*

   B. *Approve Partial Street Closing, March 3, 2012, Lion's Club Food Drive.*

   C. *Approve Roadside Fundraiser, May 19, 2012, Laborer's Local 1197 Benefiting Disabled Children.*

   D. *Approve Pay Request #1 to Korte Luitjohan in Amount of $89,247.75, Jefferson Street Water Main Replacement.*

   E. *Review New Website Design.*

   F. *Discuss Culpepper & Merriweather Circus, April 06, 2012.*

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

   H. *ADJOURN*

POSTED: January 20, 2012- 4:00 p.m.

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SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
January 23, 2012

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on January 23, 2012, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Gerald White Jr; Commissioner Jason Williams: Commissioner Bill Jones; and Mayor Larry Taylor. Also present –Gale Warner; Alvin Oliver; Bob Grobengieser; Gary Edwards; Matt Holste; Justin Osteen; Lucas Kroening, Street & Alley Supervisor; Terry Hahn, Sewer Department Supervisor; Clyde Barr, Altamont News and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk.

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 Williams. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes. (Attachment 1)

2012 Mowing bids were opened and ready as follows:

	Group 1	Group 2	Group 3	Group 4
Precision Law Care Matt Holste & Justin Osteen Altamont	475	555	130	100
Robert Grobengeiser Altamont		925	120	150
Gary Edwards Altamont			126	91
Jim's Mowing Service James Rogers St Elmo	525	895	180	120
Wabash Valley Lawns Brian Meyers Effingham	300	475	120	50
Countryside Computer & Lawn Service Kenneth Clark Altamont				150

Bids will be considered and awarded at a later time.

A partial street closing request of the Altamont Lions Club for March 3, 2012 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 Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes. The Lion's Club will hold a food drive on Main Street near the Triangle.

A roadside fundraiser request by the Laborer's Local 1197 for May 19, 2012 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 Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes. The fundraiser benefits disabled children.

The first pay request to Korte Juitjohan in the amount of $89,247.75 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 Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes. The project costs relate to a water main replacement on West Jefferson Street.

Review of the new website design was postponed to another meeting.

Mayor Taylor announced to those present that the Culpepper & Merriweather Circus is proposing setting up a circus performance in Schmidt Park on April 16, 2012. They will have two performances under a big tent. The public is invited to watch the setup process. Council members did not have any concerns and welcomed the event.

Commissioner White reported the water main replacement on West Jefferson Street has passed testing and services are being tapped. Lloyd Wendling has achieved his Class A water operators license. The variable speed pump installation has been completed. The new service has reduced the noise considerably.

Commissioner Frailey reported a majority of the radio read electric meters have been installed, with the exception of the three phase meters.

Commissioner Williams reported the concession stand lights at Gilbert Park are on continually. He asked if it would be possible to put a photo cell on the light.

Commissioner Jones reported the contractor has completed tree trimming. The Street & Alley Department has installed new drainage along North Main Street. Commissioner Jones read a letter of resignation from Street & Alley Supervisor, Lucas Kroening. He has accepted a position with the Effingham Fire Department. Commissioner Jones stated Lucas has been a loyal supervisor, exceptionally organized and will be missed.

Mayor Taylor reported the IEPA has accepted the plans for correcting the Waste water treatment plant violations. Terry Hahn suggested the aeration motors be moved, which would shorten the aeration piping by 2/3. He also suggested cleaning the rock filter as a possible correction to the violations.

Mayor Taylor reported concerning a meeting with members of St Anthony Hospital. They are planning to construct a new business near Main Street & Route 40 this summer.

Clerk Stephen reported 104 electric meters and 23 water meters remain manual read. 2483 radio read meters have been installed. This past month eight water and three electric meters experienced faulty reads. Those will be repaired. The new system has improved reading accuracy and speed of preparing billings.

Alvin Oliver addressed the Council concerning lighting at the south end of Gilbert Park, which was destroyed and has not been repaired; the damaged recycling sign at Main & Monroe; and finalization of the Dairy Bar lease.

Gale Warner asked if the case of vandalism to his garage door was an ongoing investigation or has been closed. Mayor Taylor stated he would have Chief Balding stop by and talk to him.

On a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Jones Council entered into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters, 5 ILCS 120, Section 2, 2(c), 2. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

As a result of Executive Session Cory Harris will be placed in the position of Street and Alley Supervisor and Dillon Meier will be hired full time in Street & Alley Department.

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 Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

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Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
February 13, 2012 - 6:00 p.m.

Agenda

1. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:
   Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings
   Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bill

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

3. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

4. COMMUNICATIONS

5. AGENDA ITEMS

   A. *Kevin Whitten.*

   B. *Announce Safe Routes to Schools Grant.*

   C. *Discuss Demolition Permit.*

   D. *Review New Website Design.*

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   H. *ADJOURN*

POSTED: February 10, 2012- 4:00 p.m.

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SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
February 13, 2012

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on February 13, 2012, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Gerald White Jr; Commissioner Jason Williams: and Mayor Larry Taylor. Also present –Gale Warner; Clyde Barr, Altamont News and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk. Commissioner Bill Jones was absent.

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

Kevin Whitten was not present to address the Council.

Mayor Taylor announced the City will be receiving $48,000 in grant funds from the Safe Routes to Schools program. The majority of the funds are to be used to install sidewalks to serve the East Meadows area to the high school. This will eliminate the dangerous situation of students walking along Division Street. The project bears a three year deadline.

Council discussed the possibility of a demolition permit. The permit would also serve as notification to the Effingham County Supervisor of Assessments office to remove the structure from the tax roll.

Commissioner White reported Korte & Luitjohan will soon be connecting taps on Second Street water main replacement. He felt the company cleaned up well considering the wet winter weather. The streets will be rocked until the spring when they will be repaired.

The number of garbage complaints being received was recognized by Commissioner White. Complaints ranged from uncertain pickup times to cans being placed in the streets, cans broken, un-emptied cans and cans thrown precariously.

Commissioner Frailey reported installation of required catalytic converters on the electric generators has started.

Commissioner Williams reported the south post of the south exit at Union Cemetery has been damaged. City crews will remove the broken post, pour a new foundation and preserve the cap for reuse. The possibility of moving the post farther to the south creating a wider exit area will be researched. A mason will be hired to reconstruct the pillar.

Mayor Taylor reported the Culpepper & Merriweather Circus will not be performing in Schmidt Park April 16th as reported at the last meeting. The Circus company is looking at an alternative date.

Clerk Stephen reported a request has been made for Union Cemetery to purchase some type of portable surface that could be placed on the ground during muddy weather for funeral attendees to walk on. Prices and options will be researched.

Council reviewed the new website designs created by Pete Taylor Creatives. Some minor suggestions were posed before the design is released for use.

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

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Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
February 27, 2012 - 6:00 p.m.

<u>Agenda</u>

1. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:
   Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings
   Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bill

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

3. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

4. COMMUNICATIONS

5. AGENDA ITEMS

   A. *Approve Roadblock Fundraiser Request – VFW Poppy Days, May 4, 2012 and Rain Date of May 11, 2012.*

   B. *Discuss Purchase of Ground Cover Mats for Union Cemetery.*

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

   H. *ADJOURN*

POSTED: February 24, 2012- 4:00 p.m.

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SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
February 27, 2012

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on February 27, 2012, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Gerald White Jr.; and Mayor Larry Taylor. Also present –Gale Warner; Clyde Barr, Altamont News and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk. Commissioners Bill Jones and Jason Williams were absent.

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; and Mayor Taylor, yes. (Attachment 1)

Clyde Barr informed the Council the ABATE Rally will not be returning to the fairgrounds in 2012.

The VFW roadside fundraiser request for Poppy Days, May 4, 2012 and a rain date of May 11, 2012 was approved on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

Council discussed the purchase of ground cover mats to be used at Union Cemetery for funerals during inclement weather. Mats can be placed creating a temporary walking surface to the funeral site. Mayor Taylor asked for a motion to purchase 96 feet of mat for a total cost of $2,638.00. Commissioner Frailey motioned to approve the purchase. Commissioner White seconded the motion. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

Commissioner White reported Curry & Associates have indicated moving aerators at the south lagoon will not help satisfy the IEPA violations. They suggest repairing air lines on two lagoons and repairing frozen valves on the lagoon berms.

Commissioner Frailey reported work is being planned to upgrade an antiquated feeder line leading north of the City.

Mayor Taylor reported employees have a demonstrator backhoe and will be obtaining estimates for a purchase. Rose Roedl has donated Christmas decorations to the PARKs group for a holiday display in Schmidt Park. Mayor Taylor stated he has once again been elected to the Executive Board of Illinois Municipal Electric Agency.

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

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Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
March 12, 2012 - 6:00 p.m.

<u>Agenda</u>

1. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:
   Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings
   Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bill

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

3. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

4. COMMUNICATIONS

5. AGENDA ITEMS

   A. *Establish Dates for Annual Clean Up Days.*

   B. *Approve Award of Mowing Bids.*

   C. *Approve Waiver of Bid Process for Purchase of Backhoe.*

   D. *Approve Purchase of 2011 Case Backhoe from Birkey's, Amount of $84,500.*

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   G. *ADJOURN*

POSTED: March 09, 2012- 4:00 p.m.

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SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

Unapproved

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
March 12, 2012

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on March 12, 2012, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Bill Jones; Commissioner Jason Williams and Mayor Larry Taylor. Also present –Gale Warner; Clyde Barr, Altamont News; Terry Hahn, Sewer Department Supervisor; Kevin Whitten, Water Department Supervisor; Matt Holste and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk. Commissioner Gerald White Jr. was absent.

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

Council established annual cleanup day to begin April 30, 2012 thru May 4, 2012. Commissioner Jones motioned for approval. Commissioner Williams seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

After much consideration a one year mowing bid was awarded to Precision Lawn Care (Matt Holste & Justin Osteen) on a motion by Commissioner Williams. Commissioner Frailey seconded the motion. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

Council approved waiver of the bid process for the purchase of a backhoe on a motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

On a motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner Williams, Council approved the purchase of a 2011 Case Backhoe from Birkey’s for an amount not to exceed $84,500. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes. Commissioner Jones explained the next series model would reflect a price increase of $7,000. The sales man would not consider the existing backhoes for trade-in as they are in need of repairs.

Commissioner Frailey reported the Electric Department is gathering costs to rebuild the service line leading north of the City.

Commissioner Williams reported the entrance posts at Union Cemetery do not match. He questioned the Council about replacing all five posts with matching blocks made by Gerald & Steve Young. There were no objections. The first girls game at Gilbert Park is scheduled for March 15th. The park facilities should be ready by that date. The Youth Sports Commission has removed interior walls of the batters building at Gilbert Park.

Commissioner Jones reported the Street & Alley Department replaced a residential water service line on Third Street. He mentioned the trenches and holes on Second Street, as a result of the water line replacement, need to be patched. He has received complaints about the trench location on Main Street, north of the railroad crossing.

Mayor Taylor reported the PARKs group has purchased tennis court lighting for Klitzing Park from Springfield Electric. The group also has plans to replace the train play equipment with new play stations.

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

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
March 26, 2012 - 6:00 p.m.

Agenda

1. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:
   Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings
   Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bill

2. POLICE REPORT

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

4. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

5. COMMUNICATIONS

6. AGENDA ITEMS

   A. *Approve Request by Irwin Telescopic Seating/Mission Possible to hold 5K Run/Walk on April 21, 2012.*

   B. *Approve Ordinance SP-1322; Home Occupation, 111 Ash Street.*

   C.

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

   G. *ADJOURN*

POSTED: March 23, 2012- 4:00 p.m.

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SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

Unapproved

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
March 26, 2012

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on March 26, 2012, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Bill Jones; Commissioner Gerald White Jr.; and Commissioner Jason Williams. Also present –Gale Warner; Clyde Barr, Altamont News; Kendal Balding, Altamont Police Chief; Terry Hahn, Sewer Department Supervisor and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk. Mayor Larry Taylor was absent. Commissioner Jones presided over the meeting in the Mayor's absence.

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

Chief Balding presented the January and February 2012 police activity reports.

Gale Warner questioned Chief Balding about a noise ordinance within the City. Chief Balding stated there is such an ordinance for any type vehicle or equipment.

The request by Irwin Telescopic Seating/Mission Possible to hold a 5K Run/Walk on April 21, 2012 was approved on a motion by Commissioner Frailey. Motion was seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Commissioner Jones, yes.

Ordinance SP-1322 was approved on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Commissioner Jones, yes. The ordinance provides for a home occupation at 111 Ash Street, operated by Jon Oliver, known as Grawlix Computing.

Commissioner White reported more garbage pickup complaints have been received. Rock has been delivered for repair to the creek area near the north waste water treatment plant. The present woven fence is in disrepair. Council discussed the purpose of the fencing and decided not to replace it.

Commissioner Frailey reported work has started for service upgrade to Dr. Opilka's office at 8 North Third St. A utility line locator equipment demonstration of a pot holer was presented to City employees.

Commissioner Williams reported softball team sign up is this weekend. Overhead doors are being installed in the batters building. The new doors will not interfere with batters practice.

Commissioner Jones reported the new backhoe has been in use to prepare a place for storage of rip-rap until it is used at the north waste water treatment plant.

Clerk Stephen read a note of appreciation from Roy & Linda Long for installation of the new water main on West Jefferson Avenue, which now provides them clean water. She reported City employees received safety training and an informational meeting is scheduled for April 12th with the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund representative.

On a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Williams Council entered into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters, 5ILCS 120, Section 2, 2(c) (2). Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Commissioner Jones, yes.

No action was taken as a result of Executive Session.

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

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
April 09, 2012 - 6:00 p.m.

Agenda

1. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:
   Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings
   Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bill

2. POLICE REPORT

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

4. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

5. COMMUNICATIONS

6. AGENDA ITEMS

   A. *Acknowledge Captain Carl Rogers Retirement.*

   B. *Approve Ordinance 507-12; Authorizing Transfer of Franchise For Natural Gas Transmission & Distribution System in the City of Altamont and Held By Atmos Energy Corporation to Liberty Energy (Midstates) Corp.*

   C. *Approve Roadside Fundraiser Request by Altamont Lion's Club, June 16, 2012 for Tootsie Pop Day.*

   D. *Approve Request by Altamont Lion's Club to hold Hearing Testing on Triangle, August 07, 2012.*

   E. *Approve Purchase of Playground Equipment for Klitzing Park in the Amount of $17,407. To be Paid from Funds Raised by PARKs.*

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

   G. *ADJOURN*

POSTED: April 05, 2012- 4:00 p.m.

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SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

Unapproved

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
April 09, 2012

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on April 09, 2012, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Bill Jones; Commissioner Gerald White Jr.; Commissioner Jason Williams; and Mayor Larry Taylor. Also present –Gale Warner; Clyde Barr, Altamont News; Kendal Balding, Altamont Police Chief; Terry Hahn, Sewer Department Supervisor; Carl Rogers, Altamont Police Captain; Dr Stephen Bailey and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk.

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

Chief Balding presented the March 2012 police activity report.

Gale Warner stated he read a City of Taylorville help wanted at in the Decatur Herald which stipulated the employee would live within City limits in a given time period. He wondered why employees of the City of Altamont were allowed to live outside City limits. Mayor Taylor replied, it was to seek out employees with greater job skills.

Chief Balding presented a plaque to Captain Rogers in honor of 20 years of service with the Altamont Police Department. Captain Rogers will be retiring in April 2012.

Ordinance 507-12; Authorizing Transfer of Franchise for Natural Gas Transmission & Distribution System in the City of Altamont and Held by Atmos Energy Corporation to Liberty Energy (Midstates) Corp 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 Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

Commissioner Williams motioned to approve the roadside fundraiser request by Altamont Lion's Club for June 16, 2012, Tootsie Pop Day. Commissioner Frailey seconded the motion. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

Commissioner Frailey motioned to approve a request by the Altamont Lion's Club to hold a hearing test on the Triangle, August 07, 2012. Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

Purchase of playground equipment for Klitzing Park in the amount of $17,407 was approved on a motion by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes. Equipment is to be paid from funds raised by the PARKs committee.

Commissioner White congratulated Captain Rogers on his retirement. He also commended the PARKs group for their dedication and improvements to the City parks.

Commissioner Frailey reported ball diamond lights have been repaired by the Electric Department; the electric upgrade for the Altamont Clinic expansion has been completed; and employees attended a demonstration of a pot holer.

Commissioner Williams recognized the PARKs group for the amount of time dedicated to park improvements and fund raising. He also complimented the City employees and volunteers for their great efforts with improvements.

Commissioner Jones reported a recommendation has been made to zone the water hydrants and water supply in Gilbert Park for easy disconnect during repairs. He attended the pot holer demonstration and even though it was nice piece of equipment, questioned how much it would be utilized. The CAT backhoe malfunctioning hydraulics were repaired. He walked the Safe Routes to Schools project area with project coordinators. After some open discussion, the authorities of the grant were convinced Altamont qualified for the grant funding to build new sidewalks from Division to Prairie and on the south side of Division from High School to Whitler Lane. In addition specific sidewalks will be repaired, ADA compliant crossings will be installed, the crossing at Rt 40 will be raised. In order to meet State requirements for engineering plans, Milano & Grunloh will be engineering the project at a cost of $5000 - $6000.

Commissioner Jones stated he has received calls opposing the new open burning rules. Commissioner White commented a suggestion brought to him was to revise the ordinance to allow burning on specific days and notify the City office. Mayor Taylor acknowledged the ordinance may need to be readdressed.

Dr. Stephen Bailey asked the Council when the area disturbed by the water project near his office (North Main Street) would be repaired. Mayor Taylor reported the City has been in contact with the contractor.

On a motion by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner Jones Council entered into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters, 5ILCS 120, Section 2, 2(c) (2). Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

No action was taken as a result of Executive Session.

The meeting was adjourned 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 Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

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Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
April 23, 2012 - 6:00 p.m.

<u>Agenda</u>

1. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:
   Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings
   Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bill

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

3. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

4. COMMUNICATIONS

5. AGENDA ITEMS

   A. *Gregory Baker, Mid-Illinois Medical Care Assoc. Regarding Dr. Opilka Business Expansion.*

   B. *Approve Pay Request #2 to Korte & Luitjohan Contractors in the Amount of $27,555.00, Water Main Replacement West Jefferson & North Second.*

   C. *Approve Pay Request #3 to Korte & Luitjohan Contractors in the Amount of $51,631.00, Water Main Replacement West Jefferson & North Second.*

   D. *Approve Resolution for 2012 Maintenance of Streets.*

   E. *Discuss Revision of Liquor Code Section 21-3-7, Gambling in Reference to Allowing Video Gaming Devices*

   F. *Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Business Matters 5 ILCS 120, Section 2(5) (6 .*

   G. *ADJOURN*

POSTED: April 20, 2012- 4:00 p.m.

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SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
April 23, 2012

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on April 23, 2012, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Bill Jones; Commissioner Gerald White Jr.; Commissioner Jason Williams; and Mayor Larry Taylor. Also present –Gale Warner; Clyde Barr, Altamont News; Terry Hahn, Sewer Department Supervisor; David Tipsword; Dr. Stephen Bailey and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk.

The Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of prior meeting minutes and payment of bills, excluding a payment to Vermeer for equipment rental was approved on a motion by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner Jones. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes. (Attachment 1) Prior to approval Commissioner White questioned a billing from Vermeer. He understood the equipment was here for demonstration rather than rental.

Gregory Baker of Mid Illinois Medical Care was unable to attend the meeting, as listed on the agenda.

Dr. Bailey addressed the Council concerning the grass area near his office and the area of Main Street that has not been repaired by the contractors. Council assured him all repairs will be made.

Approval of Pay Request #2 to Korte & Luitjohan in the amount of $27,555.00 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 Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes. Pay request reflects charges for a water main replacement on West Jefferson and North Second Streets.

Commissioner White motioned to deny approval of Pay Request #3 to Korte & Luitjohan in the amount of $51,631.00. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes. Commissioner White stated the grass areas and Main Street needed to be repaired to the City's satisfaction before pay request #3 can be considered.

The Resolution for Maintenance of Streets and Highways, in the amount of $94,000 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 Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes. 2012 Maintenance includes extending Wurl Lane from Edwards Street west to the existing Wurl Lane and purchase of culverts for the safe routes to schools project.

Council discussed the current gaming ordinance, which restricts any video gaming machines. David Tipsword stated the State of Illinois is in the process of awarding operating permits for such devices. Mayor Taylor indicated an ordinance amendment, prepared by the City Attorney, would be necessary to change the restriction.

Commissioner White reported Korte & Luitjohan have been working to repair locations of the Jefferson Street water line replacement. The stream repair project at the North Sewer Lagoon has begun. He asked if the removed trees could be burned at the location. The burning ban provides an allowance for municipal maintenance.

Commissioner Williams reported Sherwin Williams is donating paint to refurbish the Frog Pond tennis court and an individual has volunteered their labor. Also a back board and rim have been donated for installation at the same location. Commissioner Williams would like to remind individuals walking dogs to remove excrement from the parks, cemetery, and public property.

Commissioner Jones reported the train has been removed from Klitzing Park in preparation for new play equipment to be installed May 11th.

Mayor Taylor reported Illinois Municipal Electric Association will again offer the refrigerator reclamation program awarding a $35.00 debit card for the removed unit. Over 500 refrigerators in the IMEA service area were replaced in the first year of the program. They will be considering similar programs in the future. A grant offer for solar cells on municipal owned buildings is one new program.

Mayor Taylor stated new lighting is planned for Klitzing Park. The City will be ordering supplies and the PARKs group will be providing funds for a portion of the upgrade.

Clerk Stephen reminded those present of the Arbor Day program at Union Cemetery on April 27th.

Commissioner White offered condolences to Roger Mensing of Curry & Associates Engineers, after the recent loss of his father.

On a motion by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner White Council entered into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing business matters, 5ILCS 120, Section 2, (5) (6). Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

No action was taken as a result of Executive Session.

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

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
May 14, 2012 - 6:00 p.m.

Agenda

1. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:
   Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings
   Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bill

2. POLICE REPORT

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

4. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

5. COMMUNICATIONS

6. AGENDA ITEMS

   A. *Dr. Opilka;Altamont Medical Center.*

   B. *Approve Ordinance 508-12 Legal Counsel Appointment Ordinance.*

   C. *Approve Ordinance 509-12 Appointment Ordinance.*

   D. *Approve Memorial Day Parade May 28, 2012 at 10:00 am.*

   E. *Approve Intergovernmental Agreement with Illinois Department of Transportation for Safe Route to Schools Preliminary Engineering Costs Not to Exceed $10,000.00.*

   F. *Approve Pay Request #3 to Korte & Luitjohan Contractors in the Amount of $51,631.00, Water Main Replacement West Jefferson & North Second.*

   G. *Approve Request to Conduct Farmers Market in Klitzing Park the 1st & 3rd Saturdays of Each Month, 8:00 am - noon.*

H. *Approve Electric Department Purchase of Used Vacuum Excavator from Vermeer in the Amount of $22,550.00.*

I. *Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Lease of Personal Property 5 ILCS 120, Section 2, 2 (c) (5).*

J. *ADJOURN*

POSTED: May 11, 2012- 4:00 p.m.

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SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
May 14, 2012

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on May 14, 2012, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Bill Jones; Commissioner Gerald White Jr.; Commissioner Jason Williams; and Mayor Larry Taylor. Also present –Gale Warner; Alvin Oliver, Altamont News; Terry Hahn, Sewer Department Supervisor; Debbie Frailey; JoAnn Feldkamp and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk.

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

Chief Kendal Balding presented the April 2012 Police Activity Report.

Dr. Opilka was not present to address the Council as listed on the agenda.

Ordinance 508-12, Appointing Legal Counsel 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; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes. Taylor Law was re-appointed as legal counsel.

Ordinance 509-12; Appointment Ordinance was presented. Commissioner White asked for the vote to be held until after Executive Session.

An Intergovernmental Agreement with Illinois Department of Transportation for Safe Route to Schools Preliminary Engineering Costs not to Exceed $10,000 was approved on a motion by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes. Milano & Grunloh Engineers will prepare State required detailed plans and changes to original plans. A portion of the costs will provided by grant funding .

Approval of Pay Request #3 to Korte & Luitjohan in the amount of $51,631.00 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; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes. Pay request reflects charges for a water main replacement on West Jefferson and North Second Streets.

Debbie Frailey addressed the Council requesting permission to conduct a farmers market at Klitzing Park the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of each month from 8:00 am to noon. Commissioner Williams motioned to approve the request. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

Vendors are limited to selling produce and handmade crafts. No commercial crafts will be allowed. 10x10 locations can be reserved at the cost of $15.00 per day or $25.00 per month for commitment to both weekends. Setup may begin at 7:00 am and must be cleaned up by 1:00 pm. Entertainment is planned. The group is providing insurance coverage. The first event is planned for June 16th.

Commissioner Frailey spoke supporting the purchase of a used vacuum excavator by the Electric Department to assist in line location during construction projects and difficult JULIE location markings. He stated the machine would be safer to use, would pay for itself in a short time and could be utilized by all departments. Commissioner White stated the use would be limited because it will not cut through asphalt and it is unknown if it would cut through frozen ground. He questioned use of the machine during extreme cold when most water breaks occur. He also stated Ramsey Welding has two machines that could be rented and would include a trained operator. Commissioner Williams expressed discontentment with the method of investing the rental cost to justify the purchase. Mayor Taylor stated departments found a need to use the machine which changed the one day demonstration into a rental situation. The company has not been in the area to retrieve the equipment. Commissioner Jones stated he was under the impression the machine was being returned after the last council meeting. Commissioner Frailey motioned to purchase the vacuum excavator. Motion died for lack of a second.

Commissioner Frailey reported tree trimming has started on North Main Street in preparation for the electric line relocation. Older brittle wire is being replaced with newer aluminum material. Terry Hahn questioned the location of the new line, as it is in the same location as an existing sanitary sewer line. Commissioner Williams asked if a member of the Tree City board had been contacted. Commissioner Frailey understood Board member, Jerry Hoffmeister, had been contacted.

Commissioner Williams reported the mowing service was doing a good job. The installation of new play equipment at Klitzing Park went well. He thanked the City employees, PARKs group and volunteers for their efforts. Future plans for Klitzing Park include updated lighting and BBQ grills at the pavilions.

Commissioner Jones thanked the Electric Department for their help at the park. Second Street will be repaired in the near future. Curbside limbs are being picked up on Mondays. Residents have asked that grass clippings be picked up also. It is being requested that residents place clippings in bags for ease of disposal.

Mayor Taylor commended Joe Luchtefeld for his Main Street sign "It's Your Town Support It". He stated that is what we all need to do.

On a motion by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner White Council entered into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing Lease of Personal Property, 5ILCS 120, Section 2, 2 (c) (5). Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

Upon returning to regular session, Commissioner Frailey motioned to approve Ordinance 509-12 Appointment Ordinance. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

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

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
May 29, 2012 - 6:00 p.m.

Agenda

1. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:
   Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings
   Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bill

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

3. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

4. COMMUNICATIONS

5. AGENDA ITEMS

   A. *Approve Preliminary Engineering Services Agreement for Federal Participation; Safe Routes to Schools Project No. SRTS-4009(167)*

   B. *Approve Ordinance 511-12; Amending 480-11 Establishing Standards for Hiring Part-Time Police Officers.*

   C. *Approve Ordinance 512-12; Amending Liquor Control Ordinance. Allowing Only State Licensed Gaming Devices or Events.*

   D. *Approve Mosquito Larviciding Agreement with Effingham County Health Department in amount of $650.00.*

   E. *Approve 2012 Street Maintenance Bids.*

   F. *Approve Request of American Legion Post 512 for Controlled Burn to Conduct Flag Retirement Ceremony June 14th, Schmidt Park.*

   G. *Approve Ordinance SP 1332; Home Day Care, 712 West Jackson.*

   H. *Approve Sponsorship of Camp E3 Scholarship for Altamont Youth.*

   I. *ADJOURN*

POSTED: May 25, 2012- 4:00 p.m.

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SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
May 29, 2012

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on May 29, 2012, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Bill Jones; Commissioner Gerald White Jr.; Commissioner Jason Williams; and Mayor Larry Taylor. Also present –Gale Warner; Alvin Oliver; Clyde Barr, Altamont News; David Tipsword and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk.

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 Williams. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes. (Attachment 1)

Council approved a preliminary engineering services agreement for federal participation concerning the Safe Routes to Schools Project number SRTS-4009 (167). Commissioner Jones motioned for approval. Commissioner White seconded the motion. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

Ordinance 511-12, Amending 480-11 Establishing Standards for Hiring Part-Time Police Officers was approved on a motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner Williams. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes. This amendment was recommended by the Illinois Training Standards Board.

Ordinance 512-12 Amending the Liquor Control Ordinance was approved on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Williams. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes. The ordinance allows for only state licensed gaming devices or events in liquor establishments.

Council approved a Mosquito Larviciding Agreement with the Effingham County Health Department in the amount of $650.00 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 Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

Council approved the 2012 street maintenance bids on a motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner Williams. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes. Bids were awarded as follows: Larry Heuerman oil & chat $49,770.88; McKinney Trucking CA-6 $2,370.00; Charles Heuerman CA7 $3,400.00.

Commissioner Frailey motioned to approve a request of American Legion Post 512 for a controlled burn to conduct a flag retirement ceremony on June 14, 2012 in Schmidt Park. Commissioner White seconded the motion. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes. The solemn service scheduled for 7:00 pm is open to the public.

Ordinance SP 1332 concerning a home day care at 712 West Jackson was approved on a motion by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner Jones. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes. Betty Emerich requested the special use.

Mayor Taylor reported concerning a recent meeting with Tiffany Kline, Eastern Illinois University Counselor for new business owners. Camp e3, a youth camp for entrepreneurs is being conducted at Eastern Illinois University, June 17-20, 2012. Mayor Taylor explained youth sponsorships are being established. He posed the City offer a sponsorship to benefit an Altamont youth with the hopes of a future business in the City. Commissioner Jones motioned to provide one Scholarship to Camp e3 for an Altamont Youth in the amount of $395.00. Commissioner White seconded the motion. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

Commissioner White reported the Water Department would begin flushing hydrants Sunday, June 3rd. During the Memorial Day weekend, he received compliments about the towns appearance, specifically the flags and the hanging baskets.

Commissioner Frailey thanked Cory Harris for his help during the employee transition in the Electric Department. He stated he is pleased with Josh Shamhart and the manner in which he is assuming the electric department leadership role. With Josh being the only lineman, training the three employees will be the immediate top priority. The full cost of a three year training program for the three employees is estimated at $22,100. Used utility poles are being erected near the generator plant, to be utilized as a training area.

Commissioner Williams requested the Councils support to oversee the tree program in conjunction with the Tree City Board, utility departments and residents. Future plans for a tree pruning seminar for City employees and the public are being arranged. He also reported Klitzing Park lighting plans include new lighting on the west side of the basketball court with an aluminum pole and on the north side of the play area. The estimated cost is $5,700. Funds raised by the PARKs committee will furnish $2,100 and the City will pay the remainder of the cost.

Park hours were discussed by Commissioner Williams. Closing hours are currently established at 11:00 pm, but with the rejuvenating of Klitzing Park, closing hours in residential areas may need to be addressed. He suggested closing Klitzing Park, Frog Pond and Schmidt Park at 10:00 pm. Complaints of vulgar language and actions have been received from the Klitzing Park area. Commissioner Williams encouraged residents to call immediately when they experience such problems.

Commissioner Jones reported Daniel Lagerhausen has been hired as summer help in the Street & Alley Department. He complimented the condition of the grounds at Union Cemetery and stated it was a good Memorial Day parade. The monthly recycle bins are being utilized with most months requiring an additional receptacle. Tree stump removal was mentioned as there have been many trees removed while the stumps still remain. It is not financially possible to have all the stumps ground in one year. Therefore, a plan will be established to remove a portion of the stumps this year.

Mayor Taylor reported he enjoyed the Memorial Day parade and commended the Jeep group for providing rides to the Veterans.

Clerk Stephen requested direction to providing water/funds for the daily Altamont Garden Club flower basket watering task. In the past, the water tank was filled at the Triangle from a garden hose, which takes in excess of 30 minutes. Council directed to provide $100, from Water Department funds, for the Garden Club to use in purchasing quarters to be used at the bulk water location.

Alvin Oliver mentioned to the Council there are potholes near the bulk water location. He also stated the Altamont Police Department should consider watching Union Cemetery. Nighttime traffic has been noticed in the area. The Cemetery closes at dusk.

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 Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

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Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
June 11, 2012 - 6:00 p.m.

Agenda

1. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:
   Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings
   Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bill

2. POLICE REPORT

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

4. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

5. COMMUNICATIONS

6. AGENDA ITEMS

   A. *Approve Special Liquor License, Altamont Softball Players Assn, June 28 – July 1 for Spud Classic.*

   B. *Approve Statement of Interagency Cooperation with Effingham County Committee on Aging.*

   C. *Approve Memorandum of Agreement with BHMG to Install SCADA Equipment of Generators for NESHAP Regulations, Cost of $30,700.*

   D.

   E.

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

   H. *ADJOURN*

POSTED: June 08, 2012- 4:00 p.m.

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SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
June 11, 2012

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on June 11, 2012, 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 –Gale Warner; Alvin Oliver; Terry Hahn, Sewer Department Supervisor; Kendal Balding, Altamont Police Chief; and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk. Commissioners Richard Frailey and Jason Williams were absent.

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; and Mayor Taylor, yes. (Attachment 1)

Police Chief, Kendal Balding, presented the May 2012 Police Activity Report.

Alvin Oliver informed the Council he had painted the support for the monthly recycling sign he places at Main and Division. He also suggested a smaller sign, reminding of recycling week and the location, be made for placement at the triangle.

Names were presented of citizens recommended to fill the vacant seat on the Zoning Board left by Charles Finfrock. A new member appointment will be voted on at the next regular Council meeting.

A special liquor license was approved for the Altamont Softball Players Association, June 28 through July 1, 2012 for the Spud Classic on a motion by Commissioner White. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner White, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

A Statement of Interagency Cooperation with Effingham County Committee on Aging was approved on a motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner White, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes. The agreement will expire July 01, 2015.

A Memorandum of Agreement with BHMG to install SCADA Equipment of Generators for NESHAP Regulations at a cost of $30,700 was approved. Motion was made by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Jones. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner White, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes. Mayor Taylor stated this is the last step to satisfy Federal EPA requirements regarding air omissions.

Commissioner White reported the lake is nine inches below level. He and Mayor Taylor met with Mike Curry, Curry & Associates Engineers, regarding the IEPA violations at the waste water treatment plant. They have learned the IEPA and Federal EPA have different requirements, making it difficult to determine the best long term solution. A meeting with scheduled with IEPA is scheduled for June 26th.

Commissioner Jones reported the Street Department assisted the Altamont Garden Club with application of mulch at various flower beds. With the removal of many diseased trees within the City, several tree stumps still remain. Quotes are being obtained for removal of approximately sixteen stumps. City employees will clean and fill the locations.

Mayor Taylor reported Julie Bounds, National Road Kiosk Committee Member, sent correspondence concerning the 2004 kiosk program. They are asking for monetary or in-kind donations of landscaping at the kiosk location. Grant funds are available for the structures, with the in-kind donation representing matching grant funds. Commissioner Jones stated the in-kind donation could be accomplished.

Mayor Taylor reported he had been contacted by Brenda Byers. She is interested in renting the Fourth Street location for a Church. Members present had no problems with any religious organization. However, felt the building was purchased with public monies with the intent to promote economic development and should continue with the same plans.

Mayor Taylor stated the Fourth Street location has been upgraded with high efficiency lighting with assistance from an IMEA efficiency grant.

Commissioner Jones mentioned the plans are being made to start installation of the Safe Routes to Schools sidewalks. He stated the purchase of additional concrete forms would allow a greater number of feet to be poured per day. Mayor Taylor mentioned renting the forms, as this is not expected to be an ongoing project. If purchased, then the forms would have to be stored when not in use. Commissioner Jones expressed interest in purchasing a used concrete screed machine for $1700.00 to ease the sidewalk project.

On a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Jones Council entered into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing Personnel Matters, 5ILCS 120, Section 2, 2 (c) (2). Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner White, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

There was no action as a result of Executive Session.

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; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
June 25, 2012 - 6:00 p.m.

<u>Agenda</u>

1. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:
   Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings
   Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bills

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

3. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

4. COMMUNICATIONS

5. AGENDA ITEMS

   A. *Approve Ordinance 513-12; Ascertaining Prevailing Wage Rate.*

   B. *Approve Ordinance 514-12; Amending Park Closing Hours.*

   C. *Approve Request to Conduct Farmers Market in Klitzing Park on All Saturdays, 8:00 am - noon.*

   D. *Approve Millroad Thresherman's Parade, July 28, 2012 4:00 pm*

   E. *Approve Final Pay Request of Korte & Luitjohan in the Amount of $20,804.75 Regarding Jefferson Street Water Main Replacement.*

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   H. *ADJOURN*

POSTED: June 22, 2012- 4:00 p.m.

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SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
June 25, 2012

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on June 25, 2012, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Gerald White Jr.; and Mayor Larry Taylor. Also present –Gale Warner; Debbie Frailey; Clyde Barr, Altamont News; and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk. Commissioners Bill Jones and Jason Williams were absent.

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; and Mayor Taylor, yes. (Attachment 1)

Ordinance 513-12; Ascertaining Prevailing Wage Rate was approved on a motion by Commissioner Frailey and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

Ordinance 514-12; Amending Park Closing Hours was approved on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes. The ordinance changes park closing hours for Schmidt, Klitzing, Frog Pond and the Triangle from 11:00 pm to 10:00 pm effective immediately.

Debbie Frailey addressed the Council regarding the farmers market held at Klitzing Park. The organizers would like to hold the event every Saturday through September, rather than only the first and third Saturdays. The price has been lowered to $5.00 per space with no early registration required. The request to conduct a farmers market every Saturday in Klitzing Park from 8:00 am – noon was approved on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

The Millroad Thresherman's Parade was approved for July 28, 2012 at 4:00 pm on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

Council approved the final pay request of Korte Luitjohan in the amount of $20,804.75 regarding the Jefferson Street water main replacement. Motion to approve was made by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

Commissioner Frailey reported Electric Department employee, Seth Hoffman, completed lineman's training in Alabama. As is customary, he will receive a 50 cent per hour wage increase for the certification. A new electric service was completed to Immanuel Cemetery. The training facility is almost complete.

Mayor Taylor reported several dead or diseased ash trees have been removed from the City.

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

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
July 09, 2012 - 6:00 p.m.

<u>Agenda</u>

1. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:
   Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings
   Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bills

2. POLICE REPORT

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

4. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

5. COMMUNICATIONS

6. AGENDA ITEMS

   A. *Present Motor Fuel Audit Report 1/1/11-12/31/11.*

   B. *Present Appropriation Fiscal Year Ending 2013.*

   C. *Approve Purchase of All Material Locator in Amount of $5,500.*

   D. *Approve Heat & Air Replacement, South Sewer Lagoon, $6856.00.*

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

   G. *Action As Result of Executive Session.*

   H. *ADJOURN*

POSTED: July 06, 2012- 4:00 p.m.

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SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
July 09, 2012

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on July 09, 2012, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Commissioner Bill Jones; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Jason Williams; Commissioner Gerald White Jr.; and Mayor Larry Taylor. Also present –Gale Warner; Clyde Barr, Altamont News; Gary Goldstein; Terry Hahn, Sewer Department Supervisor; Altamont Police Chief Kendal Balding; and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk.

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

Chief Balding presented the June 2012 Police Activity Report.

Gale Warner asked if the City still owned a street cleaning broom. Mayor Taylor explained that piece of equipment was on loan to the Township.

The 2011 Motor Fuel Audit was presented to the Council for their review.

The appropriation for fiscal year ending 2013 was presented. The estimated amount of expenses totaled $5,182,124. Those expenses did not include the expected sewer improvements being mandated by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency.

Mayor Taylor stated Gary White has testing an all material locator for use in identifying the location of underground plastic and metal utility lines, The utility department employees have not been able to test the unit. It was recommended to table purchase of the unit until others get the opportunity to test the unit.

On a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Williams, Council approved the installation of a new heat and air systems at the south waste water treatment plant in the amount of $6,856.00. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes. An IMEA grant will provide some funding for the replacement to be installed by R&H.

Commissioner White reported the reservoir is down 18” and losing ½” a day. He stated we now have plenty of water. He asked that Altamont water customers take precautionary measures by fixing/reporting water leaks, fixing leaking faucets and being wise about water use. He asked Mayor Taylor to report on the IEPA meeting of June 26, 2012. Mayor Taylor stated those present at the meeting determined new aeration units would not correct the problems at the south wastewater treatment plant. The consensus, however, was to build more lagoons and possibly install solar blankets. Low interest loan alternatives are optimistic at this time. Bonds and USDA loans are also options for payment of such a substantial project. The problem as reported in the IEPA violation is the measured amount entering the wastewater treatment plant. Council discussed loan qualifications and rate increases. If the cost will be passed onto customers, a debt reduction fee per customer may be added to utility bills for the term of the loan.

Commissioner Frailey reported Wayne's Tree Service has estimated removal of a tree at 209 South St Clair at $1,995. The tree has grown into the electric lines. The location of the tree will require use of a crane, which Wayne's Tree Service currently has. He also reported unused transformers ready for disposal will receive PCB testing and employees will be trained on the testing procedures and regulations.

Commissioner Williams reported Wayne's Tree Service will also remove the large pin oak in Klitzing Park for a cost of $1,500. An arborist condemned the tree after thorough inspection. He stated the tree has reached 150% maturity. A work day is scheduled at Gilbert Park to paint and upgrade the restrooms. It was mentioned there are some non-working lights that need to be removed from Gilbert Park.

Commissioner Jones reported the Electric and Street departments have requested purchasing a stump grinder. They feel the cost of a used grinder would save over out sourcing tree stump removal.

Council discussed selling a milling machine and attachments. The value is it to be researched and offered for sale via the internet and Craig's List web site.

Mayor Taylor reported Kevin Whitten, Water Department Supervisor, has provided documentation of lake levels as far back as 1987. He also reported many customers have contacted the City office regarding solicitation calls from Commonwealth Auditing. The company is claiming the customer has been overcharged for electric service and offering a refund. Further investigation found the company to be brokerage firm. Commonwealth has been contacted and notified the City of Altamont is not overcharging and the customers are not eligible for aggregation because of the IMEA partnership.

On a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Jones, Council entered into executive session for the Purpose of Discussing Personnel Matters, 5 ILCS 120, Section 2, (c) (2). Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

No action was taken as a result of Executive Session.

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 Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
July 23, 2012 - 6:00 p.m.

Agenda

1. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:
   Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings
   Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bills

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

3. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

4. COMMUNICATIONS

5. AGENDA ITEMS

   A. *Mike Curry, Curry & Assoc. Engineers; Wastewater Treatment Plant.*

   B. *Omnibus Vote to Approve Resolutions Relating to Financing of Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements.*

      Item No. 1 – Resolution 2012-07-01; Authorizing the Submission of Documents Relating to Illinois Environmental Protection Agency Funding.
      Item No. 2 – Resolution 2012-07-02; Authorization of Representative to Sign Loan Documents.
      Item No. 3 – Resolution 2012-07-03; Intent Regarding National Flood Insurance.

   C. *Ordinance 515-12; Appropriation Fiscal Year Ending 2013.*

   D. *Approve Sale of Milling Machine and Accessories.*

   E. *Approve Purchase of All Material Locator in Amount of $5,500.*

   F. *Approve Purchase of Used Vermeer Stump Grinder.*

   G. *Approve Ordinance AM 1342; Rezoning 807 South Main from SR-1 to B-3.*

H. *Approve Resolution 2012-07-04; Effingham County Fair Parade*

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L. *ADJOURN*

POSTED: July 27, 2012- 4:00 p.m.

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SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
July 23, 2012

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on July 23, 2012, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Commissioner Bill Jones; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Jason Williams; Commissioner Gerald White Jr.; and Mayor Larry Taylor. Also present –Sarah Stephen, City Clerk and those listed on the meeting attendance (Attachment 1).

The Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of prior meeting minutes and payment of bills, was approved on a motion by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner Jones. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes. (Attachment 2)

Mike Curry of Curry & Associates Engineers addressed the Council regarding current EPA violation proposed correction measures. He stated he is working towards a 20 year 2% loan from IEPA. The cost of the project is undetermined at this time.

With regard to the IEPA violation correction measures, the Council unanimously approved an Omnibus Vote to approve resolutions relating to finance of wastewater treatment plant improvements. Motion to approve was made by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes. The resolutions included in the omnibus vote included: Resolution 2012-07-01 Authorizing the Submission of Documents Relating to Illinois Environmental Protection Agency Funding; Resolution 2012-07-02; Authorization of Representative to Sign Loan Documents; and Resolution 2012-07-03; Intent Regarding National Flood Insurance.

Members of the Joan Lister family were present to speak regarding rezoning of the adjoining property of 807 South Main Street from SR-1 to B-3. Their concerns included clarification of construction activity, an additional or relocated entrance being closer to the Lister residence, and planting of a living screen. George Soltwedel of Effingham Equity was present. He stated the Equity would live within the zoning rules. He asked that condition #1 of ordinance AM-1342 be revised to clarify the setback location to be only the length of the Lister property line. Mayor Taylor explained property entrances from Highway 128 are issued by the State of Illinois. They do not typically issue a new entrance in close proximity to an existing entrance. Dale Lux was present and questioned the “and/or” statement in #4 of the ordinance conditions. Sue Hoffmeister, Zoning Board Chairperson, explained the item eliminates those issues not required to be presented to the zoning board. The Lister family requested condition #2 be modified to provide a timeline for installation of the living screen. The ordinance was modified to include installation must be made one year prior to any construction.

Commissioner Jones motioned to approve Ordinance AM-1342 with modifications. Commissioner White seconded the motion. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

Ordinance 515-12; Appropriation Fiscal Year Ending 2013 was approved on a motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner Williams. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

Commissioner Frailey motioned to sell the Electric Department milling machine and accessories. Commissioner White seconded the motion. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes. The machine will be offered for sale via the Internet Craig's List site.

Commissioner Jones motioned to purchase an all material locator in the amount of $5500. Commissioner White seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

Purchase of a used Vermeer stump grinder was stricken from the agenda by Mayor Taylor. The item is not available for sale at this time.

Resolution 2012-07-04 Effingham County Fair Parade was approved on a motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner Williams. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

Commissioner White expressed kudos to Captain Mike Curry for his many years of service to the City of Altamont. He has served as the water and sewer department engineer since 1979. Commissioner White reported a generator transfer switch at the water plant is malfunctioning. There is a person in Neoga who can replace and modernize the switch for $5800. The Altamont Fire Department has requested a meeting to discuss purchasing a 5" hose for one of the fire trucks. The City's current providing source is 4 inches.

Commissioner Frailey reported PCB testing of retired transformers has been completed and the old units have been removed. He expressed thanks to Josh Shamhart for negotiating a greatly reduced price to dispose of the expired transformers. A source has been found to dispose of expired electric meters. The City will receive ten cents per pound for recycling the meters.

Commissioner Williams reported the Gilbert Park work day went well. He conveyed his appreciation to the Electric Department for repairing lights at Gilbert Park. Four Eagle Scout projects are planned. Frog Pond will get a makeover of the tennis court with new paint. Schmidt Park bridges will be renovated.

Commissioner Jones reported the tree cutting projects at Klitzing Park and South Coles Street were completed in timely and favorable manner. There is a large quantity of wood and debris at the City storage area.

Clerk Stephen reported a citizen has suggested the remains of the Klitzing Park tree be offered to the public. Slices of the tree could be used for table tops. Commissioner Jones explained the City does not have a saw long enough for such a cutting.

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 Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
August 13, 2012 - 6:00 p.m.

Agenda

1. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:
   Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings
   Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bills

2. POLICE REPORT

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

4. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

5. COMMUNICATIONS

6. AGENDA ITEMS

   A. *Approve Special Liquor License for Wright Mansion Wine Tasting Event; September 15, 2012.*

   B. *Approve Vendor Agreement for Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) with CEFS Economic Opportunity.*

   C. *Approve Arc Flash Hazard Analysis Study by Barnes, Henry, Meisenheimer & Gende, Amount Not to Exceed $40,000.*

   D. *Approve Early Withdrawal of Sewer Department Certificate of Deposit.*

   E. *Approve Appointment of Michael Barns to Zoning Board.*

   F. *Approve Purchase of Wire Stripping Machine for Electric Department in the Amount of $1699.98.*

   G. *Approve Ordinance 516-12; Amending Appointment Ordinance 509-12.*

   H. *Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Personnel Matters 5 ILCS 120, Section 2, (c) (3) and Legal Matters 5 ILCS 120, Section 2, (c) (11).*

   I. *ADJOURN*

POSTED: August 10, 2012- 4:00 p.m.

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SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
August 13, 2012

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on August 13, 2012, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Jason Williams; Commissioner Gerald White Jr.; and Mayor Larry Taylor. Also present –Gail Warner; Alvin Oliver; Alan Heiens, Acting Police Chief; Terry Hahn, Sewer Department Supervisor and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk. Commissioner Bill Jones was absent.

At the opening of the meeting Mayor Taylor called for a moment of silence in memory of Glen Mathias. He acknowledged our thoughts and prayers are with all those concerned.

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

Alan Heiens, Altamont Acting Police Chief, provided the July 2012 police activity report. Mayor Taylor commended him for an excellent job as Acting Chief.

Alvin Oliver offered suggestions to the Council to complete the Union Cemetery entrance posts.

A request for a special liquor license for the Wright Mansion Wine Tasting Event to be held on September 15, 2012 was approved on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

Commissioner Williams motioned to approve the Vendor Agreement for Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) with CEFS Economic Opportunity. Commissioner White seconded the motion. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

An Arc Flash Hazard Analysis Study by Barnes, Henry, Meisenheimer & Gende, not to exceed $40,000 was approved on a motion by Commissioner Frailey. Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes. The safety test will be performed on switch gears at the various plants and electric panels at various municipal locations.

Commissioner White explained the Sewer Department cash balance has been depleted due to the planning costs involved in sewer upgrades to comply with IEPA regulations. Commissioner White motioned to approve early withdrawal of a certificate of deposit. Commissioner Frailey seconded the motion. Members voted as follows: Commissioner

Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

Mayor Taylor read a letter of zoning board resignation from Jon Becker. The Mayor thanked Jon for his time of service. Commissioner Williams motioned to approve the appointment of Michael Barns to the Zoning Board. Commissioner White seconded the motion. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

The purchase of a wire stripping machine for the Electric Department in the amount of $1699.98 was approved on a motion by Commissioner Frailey and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes. Use of the machine will increase the revenue received from the scrap sale of recycled wire.

Ordinance 516-12, Amending Appointment Ordinance 509-12 was approved on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Williams. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes. The amendment appoints Cory Harris, Street & Alley Supervisor. He has completed a six month probationary period.

Commissioner White asked Terry Hahn, Sewer Department Supervisor to report on the progress of the sewer plant improvement project. Terry Hahn stated he and Engineer Mike Curry have traveled to Smithton and East Alton to observe equipment utilized by their cities; additional lab tests are being conducted; and sludge evaluations have been conducted at both plants. Mr. Curry is investigating a new cost saving devise which would eliminate the need for solar covers on the lagoons.

Commissioner Frailey reported the electric generation plant experienced a lightening strike causing considerable damage to the generators and components. BHMG has been working to repair the units. Employees Jake Logue and Derrick Kline have completed boot camp training. Derrick Kline is being trained on transformer PCB testing and disposal.

Commissioner Williams reported the Scouts have been working on the park projects.

Clerk Stephen reported Officer John Cotton received an award from Illinois Department of Transportation for having 50 DUI arrests.

Council entered into executive session for the Purpose of Discussing Personnel Matters 5 ILCS 120, Section 2, (c) (3) and Legal Matters 5 ILCS 120, Section 2, (c) (11). Motion was made by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

No action was taken as a result of executive session.

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

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
August 27, 2012 - 6:00 p.m.

Agenda

1. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:
   Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings
   Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bills

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

3. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

4. COMMUNICATIONS

5. AGENDA ITEMS

   A. *Approve Appointment of Jill Crewell to Zoning Board.*

   B. *Approve Ordinance 517-12; Amending Utility Deposits*

   C. *Approve Ordinance AM-1342-01; Amending AM-1342 Approving a Zoning Amendment.*

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   I. *ADJOURN*

POSTED: August 24, 2012- 4:00 p.m.

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SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
September 10, 2012 - 6:00 p.m.

Agenda

1. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:
   Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings
   Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bills

2. POLICE REPORT

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

4. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

5. COMMUNICATIONS

6. AGENDA ITEMS

   A. *Approve Ordinance 518-12; Establishing Union Cemetery Encasement and Interment Requirements.*

   B. *Approve Installation of Water Department Overhead Door $4,910.00.*

   C. *Approve Roadside Fundraiser Request; Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive, September 21, 2012.*

   D. *Approve Resolution 2012-09-07; Participation in State of Illinois Federal Surplus Property Program.*

   E. *Executive Session for the Purpose of Closed Session Approval & Minute Review 5 ILCS 120, Section 2, (c) (21) and Discussing Personnel Matters 5 ILCS 120, Section 2, (c) (2)..*

   F. *Approve Resolution 2012-09-05; Authorizing Destruction of Audio Recordings of Closed Meeting Sessions.*

   G. *Approve Resolution 2012-09-06; Authorizing Release of Closed Session Minutes.*

   H. *ADJOURN*

POSTED: September 07, 2012- 4:00 p.m.

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SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
September 10, 2012

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on September 10, 2012, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Jason Williams; Commissioner Bill Jones; Commissioner Gerald White Jr.; and Mayor Larry Taylor. Also present – Alan Heiens, Altamont Acting Police Chief; Gale Warner; Clyde Barr, Altamont News; Roy Long; Dallas & Jennie Kendall; and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk.

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 Williams. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes. (Attachment 1)

Acting Police Chief, Alan Heiens, presented the August 2012 Police Activity Report.

Roy Long addressed the Council with his concerns of the flooding of West Jefferson Street during the recent rains. He stated prior year problems still exist, even after preventative measures were completed by the City. He asked that ditches along the railroad be re-evaluated, as they need mowed. Looking to the future he asked if anything could be done. Commissioner Jones commented he had inspected the culvert on the south side of the railroad and found it full and carrying water to full capacity. Dallas Kendall stated the water was 18-20 inches deep on Jefferson Street in front of his house. Since they are new to the community, he wanted to know who to call in the future. He requested the street be blocked to traffic, thus eliminating waves hitting the side of their home. Intermittent signage, to close the street during flooding will be researched. The possibility of dredging the water retention pond was discussed. Mayor Taylor stated he would talk to Phil Schultz. Mr. Kendall also requested the street sweeper be used on Jefferson after heavy rains to remove the debris caused by the flooding. Roy Long & Mr. Kendall asked how they could get the sidewalk replaced from Seventh Street to Third Street.

Ordinance 518-12 Establishing Union Cemetery Encasement & Interment Requirements was approved on a motion by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner Jones. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes. The ordinance provides all burials to be encased in a concrete box and the number of burials per grave space to be one casket, one casket and one cremation, or three cremations per grave space.

Installation of a replacement overhead door at the Water Department, in the amount of $4,910.00 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 Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes. Project will be completed by Altamont Overhead Door and Mikel's Construction.

Council approved the roadside fundraiser request of the Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive on September 21, 2012. Commissioner Frailey motioned for approval. Commissioner Williams seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

Resolution 2012-09-07 regarding participation in the State of Illinois Federal Surplus Property Program 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 Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

Commissioner White reported after the recent rains the reservoir is only one inch below level. Curry & Associates are progressing with the sewer plant upgrade. However, the IEPA determination is still unknown. He offered congratulations to the Garden Club for a successful Fall Festival.

Commissioner Frailey reported one generator is in working order. Replacement parts for the three remaining will be installed this week. He stated 80% of electric outages occur in the Division & Lincoln Street areas. After the September 7, 2012 storm damage to primary and secondary electric lines located in the alley, service in the area needs rebuilt. Josh Shamhart has proposed placing all service from Division to Johnson between Ewing and Coles underground. The estimated cost would be $26,000. Johnson to Rt 40 could be left overhead, if the alley could be rocked. Council members expressed no objections to the proposal.

Commissioner Williams reported plans are being made to assist the Altamont VFW in installation of permanent, easily located, underground supports for the Memorial Day American Flag display. The supports may be concrete cylinders. The goal is for installation prior to Memorial Day 2013.

Commissioner Jones reported during the recent rains manhole covers were checked and storm sewers were running full. Lines have been jetted to improve water flow in some areas. At the fall festival he received several compliments to the City employees for their cooperation and the new electric service to the Schmidt Park pavilions. The Cumberland Road log is ready to be placed in Schmidt Park. Sidewalks of the safe routes to schools project have been inspected. Surface grinding is needed in several existing sidewalks. He suggested purchase prices be sought for a grinding machine.

Council entered into Executive Session for the Purpose of Closed Session Approval & Minute Review 5 ILCS 120, Section 2, (c) (21) and Discussing Personnel Matters 5 ILCS 120, Section 2, (c) (2). Motion was made by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Williams. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

Resolution 2012-09-05; Authorizing Destruction of Audio Recordings of Closed Meeting Sessions 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 Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

Resolution 2012-09-06; Authorizing Release of Closed Session Minutes was approved on a motion by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

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

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
September 24, 2012 - 6:00 p.m.

Agenda

1. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:
   Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings
   Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bills

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

3. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

4. COMMUNICATIONS

5. AGENDA ITEMS

   A. *DBH & Associates to present FYE 2012 Audit.*

   B. *Gina Hardiek, Effingham County Housing Authority.*

   C Approve Request of Altamont Masonic Lodge to Conduct Halloween Parade, October 27, 2012 at 4:00 pm.

   D. Approve Request of Altamont Masonic Lodge to Conduct a Haunted Trail Fundraiser in Klitzing Park, October 26th, 27th, 28th & 31st, with Daily Hours of Operation 6:00 pm – 10:00 pm and Park a Storage Container on West Monroe, Beginning October 22nd for Set up Purposes.

   E. *Approve Ordinance 519-12; Amending the Appointment Ordinance.*

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   H. *ADJOURN*

POSTED: September 21, 2012- 4:00 p.m.

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SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
September 24, 2012

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on September 24, 2012, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Jason Williams; Commissioner Bill Jones; Commissioner Gerald White Jr.; and Mayor Larry Taylor. Also present – Jose Cadiena & Amy Jenkins of DBH & Associates; Gale Warner; Clyde Barr, Altamont News; Gina Hardiek, Effingham County Housing Authority; Terry Hahn, Sewer Department Supr; and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk.

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

Clyde Barr addressed the Council concerning the new newspaper office building on Do It Drive. He questioned the feasibility of annexing the road north of Do It Drive, which serves as a county or township road to the Schultz properties. Annexation would provide trash pickup from the rear of the buildings facing Do It Drive. Mayor Taylor stated the matter would be researched.

Ordinance 519-12; Amending the Appointment Ordinance 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 Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes. The amendment appoints Joshua Shamhart to Electric Department Supervisor and Alan Heiens to Chief of Police.

Jose Cadiena and Amy Jenkins of DBH & Associates presented the 2012 fiscal year audit. They communicated a clean opinion letter of the City financials, found the numbers to be very consistent. Internal controls were reviewed with the Council.

Gina Hardiek of the Effingham County Housing Authority appealed to the Council regarding the new utility deposit increase. She stated the 14 Altamont Housing locations are for low income individuals who find it difficult to meet the $500.00 utility deposit requirement. The Mayor explained the City of Altamont provides electric utilities, which most surrounding communities do not. Ms. Hardiek offered the Housing Authority provide a portion of the utility deposit to be held by the City. However, it was undetermined if the amount offered by the Housing Authority could be used to pay an outstanding balance. The matter will be considered by the Council.

On a motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner White, Council approved a request by the Altamont Masonic Lodge to conduct a Halloween parade on October 27, 2012, beginning at 4:00 pm. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

Council approved a request by the Altamont Masonic Lodge to conduct a haunted trail fundraiser in Klitzing Park, October 26, 27, 28, & 31st with daily hours 6:00 – 10:00 pm and to park a storage container on West Monroe, for setup purposes, beginning October 22nd. Commissioner Williams motioned to approve. Commissioner White seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

Commissioner White reported the water level is good. The sewer plant upgrade estimate has been received from Curry & Associates. The initial plant cost is estimated at $6,627,000. It is hopeful the bids will be lower than the estimate and some expenses may be cut from the plans. Caustic soda and ammonia feeding will be required after the upgrade. Existing sewer ponds will need cleaning before modifications are started.

Commissioner Jones left the meeting at 7:10 pm.

Commissioner Frailey reported the current project is Klitzing Park lighting. The generators are repaired and running.

Commissioner Williams reported the Christmas display plans are progressing with reasonable cost. He is considering implementing decoration guidelines for Union Cemetery. Public informational meetings may be held in the future to explain the regulations and hear public views. The entrance pillars to Union Cemetery may soon be completed.

Mayor Taylor reported oiling has been completed.

Clerk Stephen commended the Altamont area residents who were selected as winners of the top 20 under 40. Those selected were Nick Patton, Kirsten Wolff-Osteen, Diana Robbins, Carrie Schultz & Kevin Schultz. She also reported word has been received that 43 of the 64 trees planted at the 2012 Arbor Day ceremony have survived the summer drought.

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

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Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
October 08, 2012 - 6:00 p.m.

Agenda

1. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:
   Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings
   Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bills

2. POLICE REPORT

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

4. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

5. COMMUNICATIONS

6. AGENDA ITEMS

   A. *Dick Rhodes; Entrepreneurial Program.*

   B. *Approve Agreement with National Road Association; Design & Assumption of Ownership & Maintenance of Kiosk.*

   C *Approve Roadside Fundraiser Request; Marine Corps League, November 2, 2012.*

   D. *Discuss Sewer Project Funding.*

   E.

   F.

   G. *Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Personnel Matters 5 ILCS 120, Section 2, (c) (1).*

   H. *ADJOURN*

POSTED: October 05, 2012- 4:00 p.m.

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SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
October 08, 2012

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on October 08, 2012, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Jason Williams; Commissioner Bill Jones; Commissioner Gerald White Jr.; and Mayor Larry Taylor. Also present –Gale Warner; Clyde Barr, Altamont News; Alan Heiens, Altamont Chief of Police; Terry Hahn, Sewer Department Supr; Dick Rhodes; Craig Lindvahl; Ethan Fitzwilliams; Tanner Conner and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk.

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

Dick Rhodes, Craig Lindvahl, Ethan Fitzwilliams and Tanner Conner addressed the Council regarding the Effingham County Creating Entrepreneurship Opportunities program. Craig Lindvahl, instructor of the program, gave an overview of the curriculum and the achievements. Ethan Fitzwilliams and Tanner Conner explained what benefits they have personally received since being involved with the CEO program. Dick Rhodes explained part of the success depends on sponsorship. They invited the City to become a sponsor. The cost is $3,000.00, which can be paid over three years. Council will act on the sponsorship at the next regular meeting. Clyde Barr stated his daughter, Amanda, has had many doors opened to her after being a student of the class.

Council approved an agreement with the National Road Association regarding Design and Assumption of Ownership and Maintenance of a Kiosk. Commissioner Frailey motioned for approval. Commissioner White seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes. The City had previously committed to a $4750.00 in kind donation. Kiosk placement is planned for the entrance of Gilbert Park.

A Roadside Fundraiser Request from Marine Corps Leage was approved on a motion by Commissioner Williams. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Jones. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes. The fundraiser will be held November 2, 2012.

Mayor Taylor reported a request was made to the IEPA to allow required improvements of the waste water treatment system to be completed in stages with the aeration replacement and deepening of lagoons first. If that would not bring the plant into compliance then chemical additive and pond covers would be installed. He had the opportunity to meet with representatives of the USDA, DCEO, and South Central Regional Planning & Development. Application with DCEO for a $400,000 grant is available and USDA currently has loan rates at 2 ½ - 3% for a 40 year term. South Central Regional Planning & Development can make grant application on behalf of the

City. An income survey will need to be performed. Council discussed the possibility of a rebate for those completing the survey. The income information may also be used for future application of a housing rehabilitation grant.

Commissioner White reported the reservoir is down 8”. A transfer pump is in need of repair. The Water Department received an award for fifteen consecutive years of fluoridation levels.

Commissioner Frailey reported new lighting was installed at the triangle gazebo.

Commissioner Williams reported a park assessment was performed. Plans are in order to remove the older playground equipment at Gilbert Park. It has been brought to his attention the south end of Gilbert Park lacks identification. He would like to have public suggestions or an advisory council to name the area. The Lions Club has expressed interest in improving the Frisbee golf area. Sign replacement and replacement of the split rail fencing with vinyl fencing is being explored. Eight volunteers, who are also involved in the MAPPING program have volunteered their time.

Commissioner Jones reported the type of rock used when oiling may be changed for next year. Bids are being obtained for tree planting.

Mayor Taylor reported the insurance company does not cover the capacity credit revenue lost when the generators were not running.

Chief Alan Heiens presented the September 2012 Police Activity Report.

Gale Warner asked Chief Heiens if excess noise from diesel pickups could be controlled. Chief Heiens explained any modification to factory exhaust is illegal.

Council entered into Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Personnel Matters 5 ILCS 120, Section 2, (c) (1). Motion was made by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Williams. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

No action was taken as a result of Executive Session.

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

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Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
October 22, 2012 - 6:00 p.m.

Agenda

1. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:
   Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings
   Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bills

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

3. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

4. COMMUNICATIONS

5. AGENDA ITEMS

   A. *Approve Sponsorship of Effingham County Creating Entrepreneurship Opportunities Program in the Amount of $3,000, payable over 3 years..*

   B. *Approve Commitment with DBH & Associates to Perform FYE 2013 Audit, Not to Exceed $10,000.*

   C *Approve Purchase of Water Department Transfer Pump from General Pump, Not to Exceed $9,500.*

   D. *Approve Ordinance 520-12; Authorizing Purchase of Easement for Utility Purposes; Ramz Properties LLC.*

   E. *Approve Agreement with Chief Alan Heiens Regarding Squad Car Use.*

   F. *Approve Sewer Fund Rebate to Customers for Completion of CDAP Income Survey.*

   G. *Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Personnel Matters 5 ILCS 120, Section 2, (c) (1).*

   H. *ADJOURN*

POSTED: October 19, 2012- 4:00 p.m.

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SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
October 22, 2012

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on October 22, 2012, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Jason Williams; Commissioner Bill Jones; and Mayor Larry Taylor. Also present –Gale Warner; Josh Shamhart, Electric Department Supr; Terry Hahn, Sewer Department Supr; and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk. Commissioner Gerald White Jr. was absent

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

Sponsorship of the Effingham County Creating Entrepreneurship Opportunities Program in the amount of $3000.00 payable over three years was approved on a motion by Commissioner Jones. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

Commissioner Jones motioned to approve a commitment with DBH & Associates to perform the FYE 2013 audit for an amount not to exceed $10,000.00. Commissioner Williams seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

Council approved purchase of a transfer pump from General Pump for the Water Department for an amount not to exceed $9,500.00. Motion was made by Commissioner Frailey and seconded by Commissioner Williams. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

Ordinance 520-12; Authorizing Purchase of an Easement for Utility Purposes was approved on a motion by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes. Easement is for improvements to the Ramz Properties located at Fairlane Circle and Frontage Road.

Upon approval of an agreement with Chief Alan Heiens regarding squad car use, Gale Warner addressed the Council with his comments opposing the agreement. He stated he couldn't justify the cost of repairs, tires and fuel driving the squad car to Farina (Heiens home) every day. Mayor Taylor explained the Chief is on call at all times and the agreement provides Chief Heiens to provide one tank of fuel a month. Commissioner Williams stated it was important for the Chief to have immediate contact with all law enforcement divisions when called. He felt organization could be accomplished on the travel to Altamont and the response time would be more efficient traveling in a squad car. Commissioner Williams motioned to approve the agreement. Commissioner Frailey seconded the motion. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, no; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

The City will attempt to apply for a CDAP grant from the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity to aid in financing IEPA mandated upgrades to the wastewater treatment facilities. The grant requires an income survey to be performed by the residential customers of Altamont. Commissioner Jones motioned to provide a $3.00 rebate to customers who complete the survey, if it is necessary to survey all customers and a $5.00 rebate if approval is received from DCEO to survey only 1/3 of the customers. Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

Mayor Taylor reported Curry & Associates will pursue funding from USDA for wastewater treatment facility upgrades. USDA will provide a longer loan term, which will reduce the customer rate increase. At this time, the schedule is to have plans completed by January 1, 2013, drain lagoons at south plant in the spring of 2013 and begin construction in June 2013. Mayor Taylor spoke with a representative of the Shimkus office. They will be searching for other grant avenues.

Commissioner Frailey reported service has been provided for the newspaper location on Do It Drive. The power line north of Klitzing Park and lighting within the park are complete.

Commissioner Williams reported plans have been made to remove dangerous playground equipment from Gilbert Park, trim trees, improve lighting and replace pavilion roofing at Gilbert & Schmidt Parks.

Commissioner Jones reported leaf pickup will begin October 29th. Replacement of trees will not begin until the second full week of November, as the trees will not be guaranteed until after that date. 2” trees are ordered at an approximate cost of $2,000.

Clerk Stephen explained the Local Debt Recovery Act, whereby the Illinois Comptroller’s Office will garnish tax refunds and lottery winnings for outstanding debts to the City. Those debts can include utility bills, property mowing liens, and any other unpaid debts to the City.

Council entered into Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Personnel Matters 5 ILCS 120, Section 2, (c) (1). Motion was made by Commissioner Frailey and seconded by Commissioner Williams. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

No action was taken as a result of Executive Session.

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

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
November 13, 2012 - 6:00 p.m.

Agenda

1. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:
   Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings
   Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bills

2. POLICE REPORT

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

4. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

5. COMMUNICATIONS

6. AGENDA ITEMS

   A. *Approve Ordinance 521-12; Renaming a Portion of Fairlane Circle to Carriage Lane.*

   B. *Approve Ordinance 522-12; Authorizing Execution of IMLRMA Min/Max Contribution Agreement.*

   C *Approve 2013 Holiday Schedule.*

   D. *Approve Resolution 2012-11-07; Establishing 2013 Schedule of Meetings.*

   E.

   F. *Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Personnel Matters 5 ILCS 120, Section 2, (c) (1).*

   G. *Action as a Result of Executive Session.*

   H. *ADJOURN*

POSTED: September 09, 2012- 4:00 p.m.

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SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
November 13, 2012

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on November 13, 2012, 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 –Gale Warner; Alan Heiens, Altamont Chief of Police; Jeremy Adam, Police Officer; Clyde Barr, Altamont News; and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk.. Commissioner Richard Frailey and Commissioner Jason Williams were absent

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; and Mayor Taylor, yes. (Attachment 1)

Chief Heiens presented the October 2012 Police Activity Report. The new full time police officer, Jeremy Adam, was introduced to the Council.

Ordinance 521-12; Renaming a Portion of Fairlane Circle to Carriage Lane was approved on a motion by Commissioner Jones. Motion was seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner White, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes. The section of Fairlane Circle from the Frontage Road to Lincoln Drive is now known as Carriage Lane.

Ordinance 522-12; Authorizing Execution of IMLRMA Min/Max Contribution Agreement was approved on a motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner White, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes. The insurance premium covering workmen's compensation, public liability and property coverage will increase by $23, 583 with the Min/Max option. The annual premium option to be paid totals $121,647.

The 2013 Holiday Schedule was approved on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Jones. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner White, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

Resolution 2012-11-07; Establishing 2013 Schedule of Meetings was approved on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Jones. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner White, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes. (Attachment 2)

Commissioner White had nothing to report. Mayor Taylor reported an update of the wastewater treatment plant project. A pre-approval funding application will be delivered to USDA tomorrow. A grant application will be pursued with an attempt to approach the request for funding the latter stage of the project. Grant deadlines and the project mandated deadlines do not allow grant approval for projects already in progress. An income survey, as part of the DCEO grant process, will be mailed to 1/3 of the residential users of the community.

Mayor Taylor also reported for Commissioner Williams the Christmas display in Schmidt Park is in place. Installation of flag pole holders at Union Cemetery has begun. 40 of the 136 locations have been completed. Gilbert Park has received new fencing and guardrail will be in place soon.

Commissioner Jones reported the final seasonal leaf pickup will be the week of November 26th. After November 30th, only bagged leaves will be picked up. Tree replacements should be planted before Thanksgiving.

Mayor Taylor complimented Commissioner White on his presentation at the well-attended Veterans Day ceremony. South Central Regional Planning & Development will be placing application for a CDAP or economic development grant to fund improvements to the newly named Carriage Lane. Planned improvements are to roto mill the existing surface, asphalt, curbing and improve drainage. Lee Beckman, Milano & Grunloh, will be providing a cost estimate. Lynn Kull has approached the Mayor concerning property near the Electric generation property. A company searching for a location has inquired about available building sites in and near Altamont. The combination of property owned by Lynn Kull and the City may satisfy their land requirements. ADM has made inquiry regarding trucking large containers out of the City to later be moved by train. The loads would weigh approximately 96,000 lbs. It was suggested the City request street improvement costs for such heavy loads.

The Mayor attended an E2C2 teleconference. The current electrical upgrade program expires March 2013. It is possible the funds may be carried over for another year. Plans are being made to upgrade the Electric Department locations with energy efficient lighting. The refrigerator recycling program has removed 627 inefficient units in the one year of the program.

Council entered into Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Personnel Matters 5 ILCS 120, Section 2, (c) (1). Motion was made by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Jones. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner White, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

Upon resuming regular session, Commissioner Jones motioned to appoint Police Officer John Cotton to Sergeant. Commissioner White seconded the motion. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner White, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

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; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

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Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
November 26, 2012 - 6:00 p.m.

Agenda

1. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:
   Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings
   Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bills

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

3. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

4. COMMUNICATIONS

5. AGENDA ITEMS

   A. *Announce Estimated Levy Amount.*

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   H. *ADJOURN*

POSTED: November 21, 2012- 4:00 p.m.

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SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
November 26, 2012

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on November 26, 2012, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Commissioner Gerald White Jr; Commissioner Bill Jones; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Jason Williams; and Mayor Larry Taylor. Also present – Clyde Barr, Altamont News and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk.

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 Williams. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes. (Attachment 1)

Mayor Taylor announced the estimated levy for 2013 as $391,918 with abatement of $224,718 making the final estimated levy $167,200.

Commissioner White had nothing to report.

Commissioner Frailey reported Christmas lights are on display. Supr. Shamhart has recommended replacing a number of the older displays each year. The City shops have expressed the need of a power washer. An estimated cost is $2400.00. Item will be presented for formal approval at the next meeting.

Commissioner Williams reported the Christmas display in Schmidt Park has been assembled. Tree replacements have been completed, including two new trees in Klitzing and Frog Pond parks. Installation of flag bases at Union Cemetery will continue after leaf pickup.

Commissioner Jones reported employees will be completing leaf pickup this week and have been working on water leaks. In preparation for the Safe Routes to Schools project, the Street & Alley Department has requested purchasing a power screed in the amount of $1690.00. Item will be presented for formal approval at the next meeting.

Mayor Taylor updated members on the current loan and grant applications of the wastewater treatment plant upgrades. The loan pre-application has been delivered to USDA. Additional requested reports are being completed. The IEPA construction permit is needed prior to loan approval. IEPA documents are ongoing by Mike Curry of Curry & Assoc. Engineers. 310 surveys were mailed today as part of the CDAP grant application.

South Central Regional Planning and Development has started the grant application process with DCEO for improvements to Carriage Lane.

Mayor Taylor discussed a roadway located north of Mathias Business Park, which is not annexed into the City limits. Mayor Taylor suggested exploring the possibility of the Schultz family dedicating the roadway to the City. The Schultz family would retain ownership of the property.

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

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Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
December 10, 2012 - 6:00 p.m.

<u>Agenda</u>

1. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:
   Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings
   Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bills

2. POLICE REPORT

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

4. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

5. COMMUNICATIONS

6. AGENDA ITEMS

   A. *Approve Ordinance 532-12; Amending FYE 2013 Appropriation.*

   B. *Approve Ordinance 524-12; FYE 2013 Tax Levy.*

   C *Approve Ordinance 525-12; Abating Water Bond 2012 Tax Levy.*

   D. *Approve Ordinance 526-12; Abating Electric Bond 2012 Tax Levy.*

   E. *Approve Purchase of Power Screed from Birkey's in Amount of $1,690.00.*

   F. *Approve Purchase of Power Washer from Northern Tool in Amount of $2,399.99.*

   G. *Discuss ADM Truck Route.*

   H. *Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Personnel Matters 5 ILCS 120, Section 2, (c) (1); Business Matters5 ILCS 120, Section 2, (c) (5); and Business Matters5 ILCS 120, Section 2, (c) (6).*

   I. *Action as Result of Executive Session.*

   J. *ADJOURN*

POSTED: December 07, 2012- 4:00 p.m.

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SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
December 10, 2012

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on December 10, 2012, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Commissioner Gerald White Jr; Commissioner Bill Jones; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Jason Williams; and Mayor Larry Taylor. Also present – Josh Shamhart, Electric Dept Supr; Alan Heiens, Altamont Police Chief,; Clyde Barr, Altamont News and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk.

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

Chief Heiens presented the November 2012 Police Activity Report.

Ordinance 523-12; Amending FYE 2013 Appropriation 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 Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes. The amended appropriation is $5,402,694, an increase of $220,750.

Ordinance 524-12: Levying Taxes for FYE 2013 was approved on a motion by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes. The Levy amount is $391,918 before abatements.

Ordinance 525-12; Abating Water Bond 2012 Tax Levy 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 Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes. Amount abated is $74,640.

Ordinance 526-12; Abating Electric Bond 2012 Tax Levy was approved on a motion by Commissioner Frailey and seconded by Commissioner Williams. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes. Amount abated $150,078.

Council approved the purchase of a power screed from Birkey’s in the amount of $1,690.00. Motion was made by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

Council approved the purchase of a power washer from Northern Tool in the amount of $2,399.99. Motion was made by Commissioner Frailey and seconded by Commissioner Williams. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

ADM Grain has made a request for approval to move loads for a period of time in excess of the existing weight limit on Main Street. ADM will obtain load permits from the State of Illinois. Mayor Taylor discussed the possibility of a per bushel tariff. The tariff funds would be established for use of later street repairs. The amount of 2-3 cents per bushel was mentioned. Commissioner Jones will inquire at other locations with similar situations.

Commissioner White reported word has been received of a timing glitch regarding USDA funding of the wastewater treatment plant improvements. The funding award date is July/August, when IEPA has determined a start date of June. A meeting is scheduled with engineers Curry & Associates to discuss solutions.

Commissioner Frailey reported Christmas lights are being retro-fitted to LED's. Engineers BHMG have collected arch flash study data. A ramp has been installed at the Fourth Street storage location.

Commissioner Williams expressed support of the Schmidt Park Christmas lighting display. The PARKs committee is pleased with the generosity of donations.

Commissioner Jones reported leaf pickup is completed. 137 flag pole bases have been installed at Union Cemetery.

Clerk Stephen reported the Illinois Arborist Association will be conducting a pruning seminar in Altamont on January 9th. The cost will be $15.00 per person.

On a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Jones Council entered into Executive Session for the purposes of Personnel Matters 5 ILCS 120, Section 2, (c) (1); Business Matters5 ILCS 120, Section 2, (c) (5); and Business Matters5 ILCS 120, Section 2, (c) (6).

Upon returning to open session Commissioner Frailey motioned to hire a new employee, Derek Abendroth, in the Electric Department at the rate of $16.00 per hour. Commissioner White seconded the motion. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

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

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Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
December 26, 2012 - 6:00 p.m.

Agenda

1. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:
   Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings
   Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bills

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

3. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

4. COMMUNICATIONS

5. AGENDA ITEMS

   A. *Approve Lion's Club Request to Conduct a "Restock the Altamont Pantry's" Food Drive on the Triangle, January 26, 2013.*

   B. *Approve Renewal of Employee Assistance Program with Sarah Bush Health Systems, in the Amount of $672.00.*

   C *Present Ordinance 527-13; Establishing Electric Service Regulations and New Service Fees.*

   D. *Present Proposed Rules for Union Cemetery Decorations & Plantings.*

   E. *Discuss Request for Expansion of Schultz Dairy Bar.*

   F. *Approve Purchase of Surface Preparer from Smith Manufacturing in the Amount of $3,725.25.*

   G. *Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Business Matters5 ILCS 120, Section 2, (c) (5).*

   H. *Action as Result of Executive Session.*

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   J. *ADJOURN*

POSTED: December 21, 2012- 4:00 p.m.

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SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
December 26, 2012

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on December 26, 2012, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Commissioner Bill Jones; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Jason Williams; and Mayor Larry Taylor. Also present –Terry Hahn, Wastewater Dept Supr; and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk. Commissioner Gerald White Jr was absent.

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

On a motion by Commissioner Frailey and seconded by Commissioner Williams, Council approved the Lion's Club request to conduct a "Restock the Altamont Pantry's" food drive on the Triangle, January 26, 2013. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

Council approved renewal of the Employee Assistance Program with Sarah Bush Health Systems, in the amount of $672.00. Commissioner Jones motioned to approve. Commissioner Frailey seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes.

Ordinance 527-13; Establishing Electric Service Regulations and New Service Fees was presented to Council for review. The ordinance establishes fees for installation of non-standard services and regulations of new services. Ordinance will be presented at the next regular meeting for approval.

Proposed rules concerning Union Cemetery decorations and plantings were presented to the Council. Commissioner Williams explained there are currently no decorating regulations. Guidelines from other communities have been compared to assemble rules for Union Cemetery. Among those listed include - saddle or vase decorations on the stones will be allowed year round, ground decorations will be removed March 15 through October 31st with allowances before and after certain commemorative days. This is an attempt to beautify Union Cemetery and improve ease of summer maintenance. The list of proposed rules will be discussed at public hearings to be held in early 2013. Council will later approve regulations by an ordinance.

Council approved the purchase of a Surface Preparer from Smith Manufacturing in the amount of $3,725.25. Motion to approve by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Jones, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Taylor, yes. The unit will grind uneven concrete surfaces.

Council discussed a request by Alvin Schultz to enclose a 20 or 30 foot long x 5 foot wide area on the front of the Dairy Bar. Council determined the appropriate procedure is to submit proper written request to the Zoning Board for their recommendation.

Commissioner Frailey reported the Electric Department shop has been reorganized to utilize building space and ease of operation. Electric outages have been minimal during the inclement weather as a result of recent maintenance performed by the Electric Department.

Commissioner Williams reminded those present of the Mapping Town Meeting on January 13th.

Mayor Taylor reported the Altamont News is now being printed at the new Do It Drive location. Plans are beginning for a diagnostic center near the office of Dr. Frost. He commended the citizens of Altamont for the Christmas decoration displays. He also reported the former Altamont Wholesale building has been rented to Anthony Conner for $575 per month. Mr. Conner will be expanding his business.

Council did not enter into Executive Session as listed on the agenda.

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

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Sarah Stephen, City Clerk