

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
January 09, 2017 - 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. *Approved Resolution 2017-01-01; Authorizing the Advertisement of Sale of Surplus Real Estate, 6 North Fourth Street.*
 - B. *Approve Bid Advertisement for Lease of 6 Tracts of Acreage for Hay Production Property.*
 - C. *ADJOURN*

POSTED: January 06, 2017- 4:00 pm.

SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
January 09, 2017

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on January 09, 2017, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Commissioner Jason Williams; Commissioner Nathan Scholes; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Todd Slingerland; and Mayor Jason Rippetoe. Also present –Dave Frederking, Wes Mueller, Irwin Seating; Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh, Alan Heiens, City Chief of Policy; City Clerk Sarah Stephen.

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 Scholes. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Rippetoe, yes. (Attachment 1)

Alan Heiens, Altamont Chief of Police presented the December 2016 Police Activity Report.

Resolution 2017-01-01; Authorizing the Advertisement of Sale of Surplus Real Estate, 6 North Fourth Street, was tabled due to unanticipated activity of the property.

Commissioner Slingerland motioned to approve Bid Advertisement for Lease of 6 Tracts of Acreage for Hay Production Property. Commissioner Scholes seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Commissioner Slingerland reported the annual totals for the wastewater treatment plants - North plant 87.6 million gallons and South plant 117.2 million gallons. A recent study revealed the use of alum, a corrosive chemical, to treat drinking water could be eliminated. A borrowed pump needs replaced cost estimates were \$3200 or \$800 depending on the adjustment rate needed. Heaters in the raw & chlorine pump buildings malfunctioned and need replaced.

Commissioner Frailey reported the digger truck will be back in operation this week. The new Deb's location on Do It Drive is being prepared for electric service.

Commissioner Williams had nothing to report.

Commissioner Scholes had nothing to report.

Mayor Rippetoe reported Bullet, the K-9 Officer, will soon retire. Council members should be considering a replacement for an estimated cost of \$10,000 - \$15,000. Replacement of the K-9 vehicle may also be necessary.

Clerk Stephen reported the Effingham County Courts awarded the City approval to demolish nuisance violation mobile homes on Third & Jackson Streets, providing a property lien for the costs. Other nuisance violations, with pending deadlines were discussed. Council provided instructions to proceed with attorney letters, if nuisance is not abated.

Dave Frederking addressed the Council concerning new residential building lots he is developing. He stated there are many details to be agreed upon between himself and the Council. He requested each issue be agreed upon in writing. Mayor Rippetoe suggested the City attorney be contacted for guidance of such an agreement.

Wes Mueller, Irwin Seating, informed the Council the building addition is all but complete. Road improvements will be accomplished when weather permits.

Commissioner Slingerland inquired about the schedule for S&K to install a new sidewalk at the American Legion. Commissioner Williams stated weather is an issue at this time.

Nick Burrus reported paperwork was being finished on Second Street and Safe Routes to Schools projects. Jackson Street railroad crossing is scheduled for January 20th IDOT letting. Income Surveys will be completed for grant application of West Division Street repair project.

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

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
January 23, 2017 - 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 Run for Linzi 5K Sponsored by Altamont High School Student Council, April 08, 2017.*
 - B. *Approve Pay Estimate #3 to AJ Walker Construction in the Amount of \$14,299.34 Regarding Second Street Improvements.*
 - C. *Approve Change Request; Second Street Improvements, Net Addition of \$6,115.79.*
 - D. *Approve Change Request; Safe Routes to Schools, Net Addition of \$2,595.01.*
 - E. *Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Sale of Property 5 ILCS 120/2 (c), (6)*
 - F. *Action As a Result of Executive Session.*
 - G. *ADJOURN*

POSTED: January 20, 2017- 4:00 pm.

SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
January 23, 2017

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on January 23, 2017, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Commissioner Jason Williams; Commissioner Nathan Scholes; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Todd Slingerland; and Mayor Jason Rippetoe. Also present –Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh; City Clerk Sarah Stephen.

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

Council approved a Request by Altamont High School Student Council to Sponsor the Run for Linzi 5K on April 08, 2017. Commissioner Slingerland motioned for approval. Commissioner Frailey seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Pay Estimate #3 to AJ Walker Construction in the Amount of \$14,299.34 for work performed on Second Street Improvements Project was approved on a motion by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner Scholes. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Council approved a Change Request for the Second Street Improvement Project with a Net Addition of \$6,115.79 on a motion by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner Scholes. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Council approved a Change Request for Safe Routes to Schools Project with a Net Addition of \$2,595.01. Commissioner Williams motioned for approval. Commissioner Scholes seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Nick Burrus reported income surveys have been completed for the West Division Street grant application. 88% were received with sufficient LMI. Mayor Rippetoe stated a meeting with Representative Caveletto was held earlier in the day. Those present were informed that receiving financial support of the project from the State of Illinois was not hopeful. Nick Burrus requested guidance regarding submission of IEPA permit to utilize AquaHawk at the water treatment plant. Plans for improvements to the #1 filter at the water department will soon be complete.

Commissioner Slingerland reported the Sewer Department replaced a transponder. The north wastewater treatment plant needs repair or replacement of aerators.

Commissioner Frailey reported the generators failed. Repair costs are estimated at \$21,000. Two Electric Department employees obtained their spray license.

Commissioner Williams reported he requested Nick Burrus investigate options for Main Street sealants.

Commissioner Scholes reported the Amelia Shepard benefit raised \$5,000 which will be used toward the purchase a slide for Schmidt Park, with combined City funding.. He stated the 2016 mowing cost for all City properties totaled \$37,000. He asked the Council to consider hiring a seasonal employee to mow the properties after the current mowing contract expires.

Council entered into Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Sale of Property 5 ILCS 120/2 (c), (6) on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Williams. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

As a result of Executive Session, Commissioner Slingerland motioned to advertise City owned property for sale as follows: 6 North Fourth \$80,000 and a residential lot in the 300 Block of North Eighth \$15,000. Commissioner Scholes seconded the motion. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

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

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
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February 13, 2017 - 6:00 p.m.**

Agenda

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2. POLICE REPORT
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6. AGENDA ITEMS
 - A. *Approve Payment of Cost Exceeding Donations for Installation of Typhoon Slide at Schmidt Park.*
 - B. *Approve Mutual Agreement with Altamont Garden Club for Installation of Lamp Posts in Schmidt Park.*
 - C. *Discuss Ball Diamond Usage Fee for Gilbert Park.*
 - D. *Approve Final Pay Estimate to AJ Walker Construction for Second Street Improvements in the amount of \$15,383.71.*
 - E. *Approve CliftonLarsonAllen FYE 2017 Audit Proposal, Not to Exceed \$20,800.*
 - F. *Approve VFW Request to Conduct Poppy Day Drive Roadside Fundraiser May 12, 2017 and May 19, 2016 Rain Date*
 - G. *Approve Memorandum of Understanding Between City of Altamont and Meals on Wheels.*

- H. *Approve American Legion Roadside Fundraiser Request to Conduct American Poppy Day April 21, 2017 and Rain Date of April 28, 2017.*
- I. *Approve Implementation of Corrosion Control Program.*
- J. *Approve Waiving of Subdivision Code Requirements for Proposed Development.*
- K. *ADJOURN*

POSTED: February 10, 2017- 4:00 pm.

SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
February 13, 2017

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on February 13, 2017, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Commissioner Jason Williams; Commissioner Nathan Scholes; Commissioner Richard Frailey; and Mayor Jason Rippetoe. Also present –Carol Laue, Carol Tillman, Garden Club; Kyle Stuemke; Doug Winters; Alan Whitt; Dave Frederking; Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh; Alan Heiens, Altamont Police Chief; City Clerk Sarah Stephen. Commissioner Todd Slingerland 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 Scholes. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Rippetoe, yes. (Attachment 1)

Chief Heiens presented the January 2017 Police Activity Report.

Mayor Rippetoe announced Item I “Approve Implementation of Corrosion Control Program” be stricken from the agenda.

Commissioner Scholes motioned to approve Payment of Cost Exceeding Donations for Installation of Typhoon Slide at Schmidt Park Not to Exceed \$5,249. Commissioner Frailey seconded the motion. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Rippetoe, yes. The total cost of slide and installation is \$10,249. Currently a \$5,000 donation from the Amelia Shepard Memorial is pledged towards the cost. Other donations are being sought.

Carol Tillman and Carol Laue of the Altamont Garden Club were present to introduce their community project to install lamp post lighting along the Schmidt Park walking path. The Garden Club is planning initial installation of ten lamp posts, with future additions, and asking the City’s cooperation with the wiring and installation. No action was taken at this time, as the Council requested a cost estimate for the City’s portion.

Council discussed a Ball Diamond Usage Fee for Gilbert Park. Commissioner Scholes explained after mowing costs, no funds remain for beautification and improvements. There is a need to increase revenue. Area communities were surveyed reporting \$10-\$50 diamond rental subject to field preparation. Kyle Stuemke commented he has already contacted families about teams and the costs per child. He asked if team practices and soccer games would be included in the charge, who would maintain the reservations, what will the money be used for. Doug Winters stated the fee would only be a band aid on the cause and a park district is overdue. Commissioner Scholes explained the idea of a ball diamond fee has been offered as a discussion item in order to get the public opinion. Commissioner Williams explained an estimated cost of \$30,000 to present a park district on the voter’s ballot was entertained in the past. However, the cost could not be justified.

Council approved the Final Pay Estimate to AJ Walker Construction for Second Street Improvements in the amount of \$15,383.71. Commissioner Williams motioned for approval. Commissioner Frailey seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Approval of CliftonLarsonAllen FYE 2017 Audit Proposal was tabled. Mayor requested obtaining an estimate from another firm.

Council Approved VFW Request to Conduct Poppy Day Drive Roadside Fundraiser May 12, 2017 and May 19, 2017 Rain Date. Commissioner Frailey motioned for approval. Commissioner Scholes seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Council approved a Memorandum of Understanding Between City of Altamont and Meals on Wheels on a motion by Commissioner Williams. Commissioner Scholes seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Council Approved American Legion Roadside Fundraiser Request to Conduct American Poppy Day April 21, 2017 and Rain Date of April 28, 2017. Commissioner Scholes motioned for approval. Commissioner Williams seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Council reviewed an itemized listing of subdivision code requirements. Several requirements were waived for the Frederking Construction proposed development of eight residential lots.

Commissioner Scholes excused himself from the meeting.

Commissioner Frailey reported the \$20,000 estimated generator repair costs were drastically lowered by Altorfer with the assistance of IMEA Board Member, Larry Taylor.

Commissioner Williams reported a sealant/resurfacing for Main Street is being explored.

Nick Burrus reported the Division Street project DCEO grant application is soon to be submitted. A bid opening was conducted for the Jackson Street crossing. Only one bid was received in the amount of \$43,000, which is \$13,000 over the estimated cost. The ICC and IDOT will be contacted for recommendations and a request for additional funds to cover the increase.

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

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
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February 27, 2017 - 6:00 p.m.**

Agenda

1. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:
Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings
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2. PUBLIC COMMENTS
3. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS
4. COMMUNICATIONS
5. AGENDA ITEMS
 - A. *Approve Mutual Agreement with Altamont Garden Club for Installation of Lamp Posts in Schmidt Park.*
 - B. *Approve Ordinance AM-1476; Amending Zoning from SR-2 to B-3; 911 South Main.*
 - C. *Approve Ordinance SP-1476; Special Use Permit Allowing Billboard Installation; 911 South Main.*
 - D. *Approve CliftonLarsonAllen FYE 2017 Audit Proposal, Not to Exceed \$20,800.*
 - E. *Approve Awarding Bid to Effingham Asphalt in the Amount of \$42,905.00 for Improvements to Jackson Street Railroad Crossing.*
 - F. *Discuss Regulating Parking, West Division Street, Beginning at Main Street.*
 - G. *Approve Implementation of Corrosion Control Program.*
 - H. *Approve Awarding Water Reservoir Acreage Lease.*
 - I. *Approve CEFS Community Partnership Agreement, 3 year term.*

- J. *Approve Transfer of Funds to Reimburse General Fund for Costs of Establishing TIF and Business Districts:*
 \$15,350.79 from TIF Funds to General Fund
 \$ 2,589.20 from Business District Funds to General Fund
- K. *Approve Ordinance 609-16; Authorizing Lease of Real Estate.*
- L. *Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Personnel Matter 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (1).*
- M. *ADJOURN*

POSTED: February 24, 2017- 4:00 pm.

SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
February 27, 2017

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on February 27, 2017, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Commissioner Jason Williams; Commissioner Nathan Scholes; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Todd Slingerland; and Mayor Jason Rippetoe. Also present –Carol Laue, Carol Tillman, Mary Jo Kessler, Mary Ann Meeks, Garden Club; Torrey Denton; Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh; Alan Heiens, Altamont Police Chief; City Clerk Sarah Stephen.

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 Scholes. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Rippetoe, yes. (Attachment 1)

Garden Club representatives presented a proposed program to install ten lamp posts along the walking path in Schmidt Park. Mayor Rippetoe expressed his concerns with the durability and life span of the selected lamp posts. Garden Club offered to order a sample lamp post and in coordination with the City check the durability and illumination. If both parties are not satisfied, another lamp post will be sought out. Commissioner Slingerland motioned to approve a mutual agreement with the Altamont Garden Club for installation of lamp posts in Schmidt Park, contingent upon mutual satisfaction of the light. Commissioner Scholes seconded the motion. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Ordinance AM-1476; Amending Zoning from SR-2 to B-3 at 911 South Main Street was approved on a motion by Commissioner Scholes and seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Rippetoe, yes. The amendment makes a small tract of land consistent with surrounding property.

Ordinance SP-1476; Special Use Permit Allowing Billboard Installation; 911 South Main Street was approved on a motion by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Rippetoe, yes. The special use allows off premise advertising.

Council approved CliftonLarsonAllen FYE 2017 Audit Proposal for an amount not to exceed \$20,800. Commissioner Scholes motioned for approval. Commissioner Slingerland seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Commissioner Williams motioned to award bid to Effingham Asphalt in the amount of \$42,905.00 for Improvements to Jackson Street Railroad Crossing, contingent upon additional ICC funding availability. Commissioner Slingerland seconded. Members voted as follows:

Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Commissioner Williams suggested permanent no parking on the north and south side of West Division from Main to Third Street be established. He requested an ordinance be presented for approval at the next scheduled meeting.

Council approved Implementation of Corrosion Control Program. Commissioner Slingerland motioned for approval. Commissioner Scholes seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Rippetoe, yes. The program has proven in other communities to improve pipe corrosion dilemmas.

Council Approved Awarding Lease of Water Reservoir Acreage to Paul Leppin, in the amount of \$12.50 per acre for 51 ½ acres. Commissioner Slingerland motioned for approval. Commissioner Williams seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Council approved a CEFS Community Partnership Agreement for a term of 3 years, on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland. Commissioner Frailey seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Council approved Transfer of Funds to Reimburse the General Fund for Costs of Establishing TIF & Business Districts as follows: \$15,350.79 from TIF funds to General Fund and \$2,589.20 Business District Funds to General Fund. Commissioner Williams motioned for approval. Commissioner Slingerland seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Rippetoe, yes. TIF funds transfer represents half of the original cost. Remainder expected to be transferred in next fiscal year.

Ordinance 609-16 Authorizing Lease of Real Estate was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Scholes. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Rippetoe, yes. Lease was approved at a prior meeting. However, legal counsel advised approval is required by ordinance.

Commissioner Slingerland reported IEPA now requires pre-approval for all trial testing.

Commissioner Frailey reported permit application has been made to IDOT to bore under Route 128 near 1011 South Main Street to move overhead power lines underground.

Commissioner Williams reported no definite word has been received regarding grant funding of the West Division Street project. However, best case scenario the City may be responsible for \$220,000 - \$250,000 in cost. The street will remain barricaded until repairs can be made.

Commissioner Scholes reported he would still like to pursue a usage fee of Gilbert Park diamonds to be placed in effect the spring of 2018.

Mayor Rippetoe reported he met with the new Alliance, CEO. The Alliance has a new focus. They remain interested in the City of Altamont membership for a fee of \$5,000 per year.

Torrey Denton addressed the Council regarding another sewer backup at his residence. He encouraged the Council to review the number of connections currently on the sewer main and to avoid any future connections.

Clerk Stephen reported various items of surplus property recently sold at consignment auction brought \$11,659.62 in revenue. She questioned Council about conducting the City wide cleanup. Council instructed to proceed as in past years.

Commissioner Frailey motioned to entered into Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Personnel Matters 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (1). Commissioner Slingerland seconded the motion. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

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

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
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6. AGENDA ITEMS
 - A. *Approve Ordinance 610-17; Establishing Traffic Signs. (Establish No Parking on North & South Side of West Division Street Main to Third)*
 - B. *Discuss Funding Commitment of West Division St Project.*
 - C. *Approve Construction Engineering Contract with Milano & Grunloh Regarding Jackson St Crossing Construction Inspection, Not to Exceed \$5,000.*
 - D. *Discuss Sewer Department Truck Replacement.*
 - E. *Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Collective Negotiation Matter 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (2).*
 - F.
 - G. *ADJOURN*

POSTED: March 10, 2017- 4:00 pm.

SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
March 13, 2017

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on March 13, 2017, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Commissioner Jason Williams; Commissioner Nathan Scholes; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Todd Slingerland; and Mayor Jason Rippetoe. Also present – Terry Hahn, Sewer Dept. Supr.; Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh; Alan Heiens, Altamont Police Chief; City Clerk Sarah Stephen.

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 Scholes. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Rippetoe, yes. (Attachment 1)

Chief, Alan Heiens, presented the February 2017 Police Activity Report.

Ordinance 610-17; Establishing Traffic Signs (Establish No Parking on North and South Side of West Division Street Main to Third) was approved on a motion by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner Slingerland. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Council discussed commitment of funds for rebuilding of West Division Street and storm drain repairs. Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh, updated the Council on grant applications to IDOT and DCEO for partial funding of the project. Council determined \$100,000 of City resources would be used. A loan would be established with South Central Illinois Regional Planning & Development in the amount of \$150,000. A public hearing will be held prior to the next scheduled meeting.

Council approved Construction Engineering Contract with Milano & Grunloh regarding Jackson Street Crossing Construction Inspection, Not to Exceed \$5,000. Commissioner Williams motioned for approval Commissioner Frailey seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Council discussed the purchase of a replacement truck for the sewer department. Commissioner Slingerland reported the recent accident resulted in the 2002 pickup to be a total loss. Therefore, a replacement needs to be purchased. A&H presently has a 2004 GMC at a cost of \$11,500. Terry Hahn stated a 4 wheel drive $\frac{3}{4}$ ton is needed to pull the sewer jet machine. The availability of existing trucks was discussed. Mayor Rippetoe stated he would look in the next two weeks.

Commissioner Slingerland reported on a sewer backup in Southmore Heights Subdivision. The Water Department met with BHMG Engineers to discuss new metering and new SCADA alarm upgrades. The estimated cost is \$3,000 and possibly the purchase of a new computer. IEPA

permits are still in review. The installation of automatic daily line flushing devices is being considered.

Commissioner Frailey reported two Electric employees are attending metering school.

Commissioner Williams reported Street Department employee, Nick Holland, issued his resignation. Help wanted notifications will be published.

Commissioner Scholes reported the annual Union Cemetery cleanup will be held Saturday, April 1st, 9:00 am – noon. All volunteers are welcome.

Commissioner Slingerland motioned to entered into Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Collective Negotiation Matters 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (2). Commissioner Frailey seconded the motion. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

No action was taken as a result of Executive Session.

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

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

**CITY OF ALTAMONT
PUBLIC HEARING
March 27, 2017 – 5:30 p.m.
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
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*Community Development Block Grant from
Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity
\$244,315.00 for West Division Street Project*

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 - A. *Approve Resolution 2017-03-02; Support & Commitment of Local Funds, CDBG Grant West Division St Improvements.*
 - B. *Approve Resolution 2017-03-03; Authorizing Submission of a Community Development Initiative Funding Request for Consideration by the South Central Illinois Regional Planning & Development Commission.*
 - C. *Approve Community Development Initiative (CDI) Loan Funding Agreement with South Central Illinois Regional Planning & Development Commission in the amount of \$123,000 for 10 year term. (W Division St)*
 - D. *Larry Taylor, IMEA Update.*

- E. *Approve Roadside Fundraiser Request; Altamont Lion's Club Tootsie Pop Drive, June 10, 2017.*
- F. *Approve Ordinance 611-17; Authorizing First Amendment to Contract for Private Development Pursuant to City of Altamont Redevelopment Plan for Tax Increment Area.(Opilka Realty)*
- G. *Approve Ordinance 612-17; Authorizing First Amendment to Contract for Private Development Pursuant to City of Altamont Redevelopment Plan for Tax Increment Area.(Deb's Catering)*
- H. *Approve Project Authorization; Milano & Grunloh Regarding Corrosion Control Chemical Feed, Not to Exceed \$750.00.*
- I. *Discuss Garden Club Lamp Posts. Weather permitting Council meeting will be moved to Schmidt Park for this discussion.*
- J. *Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Collective Negotiation Matter 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (2) and Lease of Property 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (5)*
- K. *ADJOURN*

POSTED: March 24, 2017- 4:00 pm.

SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
March 27, 2017

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on March 27, 2017, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Commissioner Jason Williams; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Todd Slingerland; and Mayor Jason Rippetoe. Also present –Terry Hahn, Sewer Dept. Supr.; Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh; Carol Laue, Karen Buckels, Carol Tillman of Garden Club; Larry Taylor; City Clerk Sarah Stephen. Commissioner Nathan Scholes was absent.

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

Resolution 2017-03-02; Support & Commitment of Local Funds, CDBG Grant West Division Street Improvements was approved on a motion by Commissioner Williams. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Slingerland. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Resolution 2017-03-03; Authorizing Submission of a Community Development Initiative Funding Request for Consideration by the South Central Illinois Regional Planning & Development Commission was approved on a motion by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner Slingerland. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

The Community Development Initiative (CDI) Loan Funding Agreement with South Central Illinois Regional Planning & Development Commission in the amount of \$123,000 for 10 year term. (W Division St) was approved on a motion by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner Slingerland. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

The three prior actions are related to street and storm sewer repairs to West Division Street from Main to Fourth Street.

Larry Taylor provided an update of IMEA programs. The Energy Efficiency Grant has continued for another year. Recycle My Fridge will continue to provide rebates for refrigerator and freezers taken out of service. The City of Altamont will be receiving 203- 9 watt LED light bulbs to be distributed to users of the Altamont electric utilities.

A Roadside Fundraiser Request; Altamont Lion's Club Tootsie Pop Drive, June 10, 2017 was approved on a motion by Commissioner Frailey and seconded by Commissioner Slingerland. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Ordinance 611-17; Authorizing First Amendment to Contract for Private Development Pursuant to City of Altamont Redevelopment Plan for Tax Increment Area.(Opilka Realty)

was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Williams. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Rippetoe, yes. The Ordinance extends the project completion date.

Ordinance 612-17; Authorizing First Amendment to Contract for Private Development Pursuant to City of Altamont Redevelopment Plan for Tax Increment Area.(Deb's Catering) was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Williams. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Rippetoe, yes. The Ordinance extends the project completion date.

Project Authorization; Milano & Grunloh Regarding Corrosion Control Chemical Feed, Not to Exceed \$750.00 was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Williams. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Council and Garden Club members discussed finalization of plans for walking path lamp post installation. It was agreed to install an 8 foot commercial grade post with warm LED lighting at 75 foot spacing. The initial ten lamp posts will be installed in 2017 with additions as donations and funding allow. Future maintenance will be provided by the City of Altamont Electric Department.

Terry Hahn, Sewer Department Supervisor, inquired about the search for a replacement pickup truck. Commissioner Slingerland will contact dealers within the City.

Nick Burrus reported the ICC Supplement concerning Jackson Street Railroad crossing has not been returned. He suggested, as a cost saving move, waiting until fall of 2017 to bid repairs to Water Department Filter #1.

Commissioner Slingerland reported Water Department is obtaining pricing for automatic water line flushing devices. The IEPA permit for corrosion control has been received. Water Department employees have started a new work schedule with Vaughn Voelker working Monday – Friday and other employees rotating weekends and weekdays at ten hour shifts.

Commissioner Frailey reported the digger truck is now repaired. Work will soon begin on a new electric line serving as a second connection for services south of I70.

Commissioner Williams reported Main Street resurfacing with a high quality aggregate polymer sealer from Division to Monroe is estimated to cost \$60,000 - \$70,000. Much prep work will be needed before sealer application. City employees could conduct traffic control to save costs.

Commissioner Slingerland motioned to entered into Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Collective Negotiation Matters 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (2) and Lease of Property 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (5). Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Rippetoe, 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 Slingerland. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
April 10, 2017 - 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 Travel Expense Reimbursement for Doug Holman.*
 - B.
 - C.
 - D.
 - E.
 - F.
 - G. *ADJOURN*

POSTED: April 07, 2017- 4:00 pm.

SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
April 10, 2017

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on April 10, 2017, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Commissioner Nathan Scholes; Commissioner Jason Williams; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Todd Slingerland; and Mayor Jason Rippetoe. Also present –Alan Heiens, Altamont Chief of Police; Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh; City Clerk Sarah Stephen.

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 Slingerland. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Rippetoe, yes. (Attachment 1)

Chief Alan Heiens presented the March 2017 Police Activity Report.

Council approved Travel Expense Reimbursement to Doug Holman on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Scholes. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Commissioner Slingerland reported the Aqua Hawk treatment seems to be working. Automatic water main flushers will be installed on Tenth Street and Main Street. In reviewing financials the water rate increased is helping revenue provide for more upgrades.

Commissioner Frailey reported line building preparations are progressing with plans to use available inventory materials.

Commissioner Williams reported plans are being made for summer street maintenance. Employment applications are being reviewed for full-time street & alley position.

Commissioner Scholes reported Union Cemetery cleanup went well. He expressed appreciation of those volunteering.

Clerk Stephen reported the Incubator Network is again working to promote rental of the Incubator building.

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

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
April 24, 2017 - 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 Roadside Fundraiser Request; Effingham County Big Brothers Big Sisters; June 16th 2 pm-6 pm & June 18th 8 am – noon.*
 - B. *Approve Purchase of 2014 Cub Cadet Mower by Street Department in the Amount of \$2,000.*
 - C. *Discuss Purchase of Excavator & Track Loader with Trade-In of Various Equipment Items.*
 - D.
 - E.
 - F. *Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Collective Negotiation Matter 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (2) and Lease of Property 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (5)*
 - G. *ADJOURN*

POSTED: April 21, 2017- 4:00 pm.

SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
April 24, 2017

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on April 24, 2017, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Commissioner Jason Williams; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Todd Slingerland; and Mayor Jason Rippetoe. Also present –Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh; City Clerk Sarah Stephen. Commissioner Nathan Scholes 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 Slingerland. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Rippetoe, yes. (Attachment 1)

Council approved a Roadside Fundraiser Request by Effingham Big Brothers Big Sister for only one day of solicitation. Commissioner Frailey motioned for approval. Commissioner Williams seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Council approved Purchase of a 2014 Cub Cadet Mower by Street Department in the Amount of \$2000. Commissioner Williams motioned for approval. Commissioner Slingerland seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Council was presented with three quotes regarding trade-in of existing equipment and purchase prices for a new excavator and track loader. The track loader with extra mower attachments would be utilized in place of a large tractor and mower and be more versatile. Commissioner Williams reported funds have been reserved monthly by the Street Department budget in anticipation of future equipment purchases. These funds will be utilized for needed cash in the transaction. A resolution will be presented for approval at the next scheduled meeting.

Commissioner Slingerland, on behalf of the American Legion Post, thanked the Council for their partnership in the sidewalk replaced at 111 North Main.

Commissioner Slingerland reported A&H will be looking at a pickup truck replacement for the Sewer Department.

Commissioner Frailey reported street lights have been installed at the east end of Do It Drive.

Commissioner Williams reported he met with an installer of a micro surface technique regarding Main Street. It was determined the current asphalt is severely deteriorated and application of only the micro surface would not be advantageous. Rather Main Street should be oiled and chipped, cleaned off and then the micro surface applied. This could result in a ten year life expectancy. The estimated cost would be \$120,000-\$125,000. If this application were planned, the annual oiling scheduled would be reduced to a minimum for 2-3 years. Commissioner Williams suggested that before resurfacing begins that a drainage

drop box be installed to remove standing water along Main Street from S&W and new businesses to the north. During discussion, it was determined to postpone bidding of Main Street resurfacing until January 2018, allowing ample time for drainage improvements. Another drainage concern has emerged on Second Street. Commissioner Williams suggested a new drainage drop box be installed across Madison Street to redirect the drainage, eliminating standing water. Effingham County assisted the City in applying dura patch to the edges of Oak and Ash Streets.

Commissioner Slingerland motioned to enter into Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Collective Negotiation Matter 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (2) and Lease of Property 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (5). Commissioner Williams seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

No action was taken as a result of Executive Session.

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

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
May 08, 2017 - 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 Purchase of 2011 Chevrolet Silverado Pickup Truck from A& H for Sewer Department in the Amount of \$9,500.*
 - B. *Approve Mosquito Larviciding Agreement Between Effingham County Health Department & City of Altamont, Annual Cost \$845.00.*
 - C. *Seth Ballinger; Lease of Space in Incubator Building for Charitable Organization.*
 - D. *Approve Resolution 2017-05-04: Purchase of Backhoe & Track Loader, Transfer Equipment, Trade-In of Equipment, \$29,252.71.*
 - E. *Approve Ordinance 613-17; Legal Counsel Appointment*
 - F. *Approve Ordinance 614-17; Appointment Ordinance*

G. *Approve Appointment of Terry Woodward to Altamont Community Library Board.*

H. *Discuss Hiring of Part time help for Water Dept.*

I. *ADJOURN*

POSTED: May 05, 2017- 4:00 pm.

SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
May 08, 2017

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on May 08, 2017, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Commissioner Nathan Scholes; Commissioner Jason Williams; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Todd Slingerland. Also present –Altamont Police Chief, Alan Heiens; Tom Denton; Alvin Oliver; Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh; City Clerk Sarah Stephen. Mayor Jason Rippetoe was absent. Commissioner Scholes conducted the meeting as Mayor Pro Tem.

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

Alan Heiens, Altamont Police Chief, presented the April Police Activity Report.

Tom Denton, Masonic Lodge representative, addressed the Council concerning the upcoming Memorial Day parade. He explained the event insurance has increased considerably and additional safety measures may be required. He conveyed an interest in partnering with the City to organize the parade in future years. He also explained the need for added manpower, barricades and police presence. Notifying the railroad about the parade was recommended. He stressed commitments from the City were needed to keep the Memorial Day and Halloween parades viable.

Alvin Oliver brought several zoning issues to the Council. The air conditioner unit of the new Deb's Catering location on Do It Drive, extends over the provided setback. The new medical facility located along Rt 40 is impeding water drainage of properties to the north. Prior to construction, it was agreed a fence would be installed dividing the residential from the business. ADM has never completed a living barrier as agreed in previous years. Matt Holste has been allowed to operate a commercial business from a residential location, which violates the zoning agreement.

Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh reported the ICC approved additional funding to complete the Jackson Street Railroad crossing.

Council approved the purchase of a 2011 Chevrolet Silverado Pickup from A&H for use in the Sewer Department for the amount of \$9,500. Commissioner Slingerland motioned for approval. Commissioner Williams seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Commissioner Scholes, yes.

Council approved a Mosquito Larviciding Agreement between the Effingham County Health Department and City of Altamont for Annual fee of \$845.00. Commissioner Williams motioned for approval. Commissioner Frailey seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Commissioner Scholes, yes.

Seth Ballinger was not present to discuss lease of space in the incubator building.

Resolution 2017-05-04; Purchase of Backhoe & Track Loader, Transfer of Equipment and Trade in of Equipment, \$29,252.71 was approved on a motion by Commissioner Williams. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Slingerland. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Commissioner Scholes, yes. (attachment 2)

Council approved Ordinance 613-17; Legal Counsel Appointment on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Commissioner Scholes, yes. Taylor Law Office was retained for legal counsel.

Ordinance 614-17; Appointment Ordinance was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Williams. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Commissioner Scholes, yes. All previous positions were re-appointed.

Council approved appointment of Terry Woodward to the Altamont Community Library Board. Commissioner Slingerland motioned for approval. Commissioner Williams seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; and Commissioner Scholes, yes.

Commissioner Slingerland explained the Water Department has reduced staffing from 4 to 3 employees, creating the necessity of overtime hours. He suggested advertising for part-time help to accomplish minimal tasks.

Commissioner Slingerland reported the Water Department has returned to the use of alum. The Aqua Hawk product provided drastic variables difficult to control. The dam was opened 4 ½ days to accommodate the recent large rains. The IEPA is requiring additional water testing at the cost of \$5,000 per year.

Commissioner Frailey reported electric upgrades have been provided at Oak View Mobile Home Court. Storm damaged trees have been the weeks focus.

Commissioner Williams reported city wide cleanup was extended into Monday due to heavy rains and storms.

Commissioner Scholes reported mulch would soon be installed in Schmidt Park. Plans are in motion to establish a 1-3 year plan for all parks.

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

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
May 22, 2017 - 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. *Corporal Doug Holman, Introduce New K-9, Kimber.*
 - B. *Approve Ordinance 615-17 Authorizing the Issuance of General Obligation (Limited Tax) Debt Certificates, Series 2017, to Finance Storm Sewer & Roadway Improvements for the City of Altamont, Effingham County and Providing Details of Such Certificates & Related Matters.*
 - C. *Approve Masonic Lodge Request to Conduct Memorial Day Parade May 29, 2017 at 10:00 am.*
 - D. *Approve Altamont Christian Church Request for 5K Walk/Run Benefiting the Rupinski Family, June 17, 2017 at 9:00 am.*
 - E. *Approve Ordinance AM-148; Approving Zoning Amendment 104 South Main Street.*
 - F. *Discuss Requested Water Shut-Off Fee.*
 - G. *Discuss Lawn Waste Pickup Service.*
 - H. *ADJOURN*

POSTED: May 19, 2017- 4:00 pm.

SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
May 22, 2017

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on May 22, 2017, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Jason Rippetoe; Commissioner Nathan Scholes; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Todd Slingerland. Also present – City Clerk Sarah Stephen. Commissioner Jason Williams was absent.

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

Corporal Doug Holman introduced the new K-9, Kimber, to the Council. The 3 year old Dutch Shepard has completed a month of training and is skilled in drug location, lost person search and agility skills. Corporal Holman thanked the businesses who donated to the K-9 program: 170 Towing, Minnesota Ltd, Altamont Chamber of Commerce, States Attorney Kibler, A&H, Effingham Equity, Wortman Enterprises, Heidanes Hidden Timbers, and St. Frances Animal Hospital.

Ordinance 615-17 Authorizing the Issuance of General Obligation (Limited Tax) Debt Certificates, Series 2017, to Finance Storm Sewer & Roadway Improvements for the City of Altamont, Effingham County and Providing Details of Such Certificates & Related Matters was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Scholes. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. Funding will provide a loan from South Central Illinois Regional Planning & Development in the amount of \$123,000 for repairs to West Division Street.

Council approved a request by the Masonic Lodge to conduct a Memorial Day parade on May 29, 2017 at 10:00 am. Commissioner Slingerland motioned for approval. Commissioner Scholes seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Council approved a request by the Altamont Christian Church to conduct a 5K walk/run benefiting the Rupinski family on June 17, 2017 at 9:00 am. Motion for approval was made by Commissioner Frailey and seconded by Commissioner Slingerland. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Ordinance AM-1486 Approving Zoning Amendment at 104 South Main Street was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Scholes. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. Zoning at this location changes from B-2 to SR-2.

Council discussed the repeated request by landlords to intermittently turn water off until a new tenant is secured. An ordinance has been on file for some time charging \$25.00 for each request. Mayor Rippetoe stated the fee should be enforced.

Council discussed the service of lawn waste pickup. Mayor Rippetoe stated many man hours and equipment costs are being used by providing this service. Council chose to limit the service to the first and third Monday's of the month unless weather determines otherwise. Clerk Stephen suggested directional signage to the yard waste drop off location. Residents will be encouraged to utilize the location and call into the office for waste pickup service.

Commissioner Slingerland reported the Water Department is trying to find an economic working rate for the system. They are researching installation of a clarifier protective cover.

Commissioner Frailey reported the Electric Department has installed bases for the 20 walking path lights in Schmidt Park. The tamper is in need of repair. The Illinois Municipal Electric Agency requested the City generate power, which has not been requested for some time.

Commissioner Scholes reported mulch and the new slide for Schmidt Park have been delivered. A new privacy fence and grills are being planned for Schmidt Park. The Altamont Garden Club will be helping groom Nori's Yard. Drainage of the Fourth Street area needs to be addressed.

Mayor Rippetoe stated the Christmas light pedestals in Schmidt Park are not working and power lines over Rt 128 servicing the Equity need to be relocated. Discussions have been ongoing to create a working agreement with the Mound Township Road Commissioner. The Tenth Street weight limit of 10 ton needs to be enforced.

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

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
June 12, 2017 - 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 ACTIVITY REPORT
3. PUBLIC COMMENTS
4. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS
5. COMMUNICATIONS
6. AGENDA ITEMS
 - A. *Approve Ordinance 616-17; Ascertaining the Prevailing Wage Rate.*
 - B. *Approve Resolution for 2017 Maintenance of Streets.*
 - C. *Approve Resolution 2017-06-05; Effingham County Fair Parade.*
 - D. *Approve Ordinance VA-1488; 5 East Cumberland Road Fence Requirement.*
 - E. *Approve Resolution 2017-06-06; Amending Resolution 2017-03-02 Support & Commitment of Local Funds; West Division Street Project.*
 - F. *Presentation of Motor Fuel Audit 6/1/13-12/31/16.*
 - G. *Discuss Utilizing South Central Illinois Regional Planning and Development for TIF District Matters.*
 - H. *Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Personnel Matter 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (1); Collective Bargaining Matters 120/2 (c) (2)*
 - I. *Action as a Result of Executive Session.*
 - J. *ADJOURN*

POSTED: June 09, 2017- 4:00 pm.

SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
June 12, 2017

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on June 12, 2017, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Jason Rippetoe; Commissioner Jason Williams; Commissioner Nathan Scholes; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Todd Slingerland. Also present – Alan Heiens, Altamont Police Chief; Alvin Oliver; City Clerk Sarah Stephen.

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 Scholes. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. (Attachment 1)

Chief Alan Heiens presented the May 2017 Police Activity Report.

Ordinance 616-17; Ascertaining the Prevailing Wage Rate was approved on a motion by Commissioner Frailey and seconded by Commissioner Williams. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

The Resolution for the 2017 Maintenance of Streets was approved on a motion by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner Scholes. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. The cost is estimated at \$25,000, considerably lower than previous years. Street oiling is being approached conservatively in anticipation of holding funds to resurface Main Street in 2018.

Resolution 2017-06-05; Effingham County Fair Parade was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Scholes. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Ordinance VA-1488 regarding 5 East Cumberland Road, Fence Requirement was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Scholes. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. The developer will be required to construct a fence between the commercial and residential properties.

Council approved Resolution 2017-06-06; Amending Resolution 2017-03-02 Support & Commitment of Local Funds for West Division Street Project. Motion for approval was made by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner Slingerland. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. Upon receiving DCEO notification of funding limitations, it was necessary to commit more local funds to the project.

The 2013 – 2016 Motor Fuel Audits were presented to the Council. No discrepancies were reported during the audit.

Council discussed utilizing South Central Regional Planning and Development for TIF District matters. Council requested a representative of the firm present the services provided at a council meeting.

Alvin Oliver asked about inactive properties both commercial and residential. He questioned if EPA could assist the City in condemnation procedures.

Commissioner Slingerland reported the possibility of enlarging the water reservoir or building a retention pond. A smaller source of water such as the retention pond would be less expensive to chemically treat. A potential construction project could utilize the dirt as it is removed. Options for building a clarifier cover were discussed.

Commissioner Frailey reported trenches have settled at Schmidt Park and would be filled this week.

Commissioner Williams reported the Street Department will soon be utilizing the new equipment to improve drainage issues. He suggested contacting Cavaletto's office for help with more funding of the West Division Street repair.

Commissioner Scholes reported new mulch is in place at the parks, picnic tables have been repaired and new handicap parking spaces have been established at Gilbert Park. The grape arbor at Nori's Yard will be improved with help of the Scouts.

Council entered into Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Personnel Matter 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (1); Collective Bargaining Matters 120/2 (c) (2) on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Scholes. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Upon returning to open session, Commissioner Slingerland motioned for an overall 3% pay increase for all non –union employees, with the exception of Vaughn Voelker, who will be raised to full supervisor pay. Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

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

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
June 26, 2017 - 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. *Present Appropriation FYE 2018.*
 - B. *Approve Three Year Intergovernmental Agreement with Effingham County for Use of GIS Program.*
 - C. *Approve Special Event Liquor License for Wright Mansion Wine Tasting Event to be Held September 16, 2017.*
 - D.
 - E.
 - F.
 - G.
 - H. *ADJOURN*

POSTED: June 23, 2017- 4:00 pm.

SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
June 26, 2017

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on June 26, 2017, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Jason Rippetoe; Commissioner Jason Williams; Commissioner Nathan Scholes; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Todd Slingerland. Also present –City Clerk Sarah Stephen.

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 Scholes. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. (Attachment 1)

The FYE 2108 estimated appropriation was presented in the amount of \$6,994,971.

Council approved a three year Intergovernmental Agreement with Effingham County for use of GIS Program. Commissioner Slingerland motioned for approval, Commissioner Scholes seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

A special event liquor license was approved for Wright Mansion Wine Tasting Event to be held September 16, 2017. Commissioner Frailey motioned for approval, Commissioner Slingerland seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Commissioner Slingerland reported a top priority project is to have automatic line flushing devices installed, which will eliminate overtime costs. Other priorities include moving the hydrant at Main & Rt 40; moving a 4" water main located under Rt 40; and conducting a full system hydrant flush. A pump is needing attention at the north wastewater treatment plant.

Commissioner Frailey reported the annual generator urge test was completed and will need to be retested in three years at a cost of \$15,000 per test.

Commissioner Williams reported the East Jefferson railroad ditch is being cleaned.

Commissioner Scholes reported a meeting was held with individuals involved with leagues playing at Gilbert Park to discuss park usage. The group indicated they would like to see fencing repaired or replaced. Commissioner Scholes indicated to the group the lack of income from park activities, which limits improvements.

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

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
July 10, 2017 - 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 617-17; Appropriation FYE 2018.*
 - B. *Approve Ordinance 618-17; Second Amendment to Contract for Private Development Pursuant to City of Altamont Redevelopment Plan for Tax Increment Area (Opilka Realty).*
 - C. *Approve 5K Event, Miles in Memory of Amelia Shepard, September 09, 2017.*
 - D. *Approve Ordinance SP-1494; 302 North Second Street, Parking Lot.*
 - E. *Approve Ordinance VA-1495; 403 North Tenth Street, Front Yard Setback.*
 - F. *Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Collective Bargaining Matters 120/2 (c) (2)*
 - G. *Action as a Result of Executive Session.*
 - H. *ADJOURN*

POSTED: July 07, 2017- 4:00 pm.

SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
July 10, 2017

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on July 10, 2017, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Jason Rippetoe; Commissioner Nathan Scholes; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Todd Slingerland. Also present –Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh; Altamont Police Chief, Alan Heiens; City Clerk Sarah Stephen. Commissioner Jason Williams was absent

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

Alan Heiens, Altamont Police Chief, presented the June 2017 Police Activity Report.

Ordinance 617-17; Appropriation FYE 2018 was approved on a motion by Commissioner Scholes and seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Ordinance 618-17; Second Amendment to Contract for Private Development Pursuant to City of Altamont Redevelopment Plan for Tax Increment Area (Opilka Realty) was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland. Motion seconded by Commissioner Scholes. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

A request to conduct the Miles for Amelia Shepard 5K event on September 09, 2017 was approved on a motion by Commissioner Scholes. Motion seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Ordinance SP-1494; 302 North Second Street, Parking Lot was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland. Motion seconded by Commissioner Scholes. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. Special Use allows Rich Giesecking to build a parking lot for use of the Giesecking Funeral Home.

Ordinance VA-1495; 403 North Tenth Street, Front Yard Setback was approved on a motion by Commissioner Frailey and seconded by Commissioner Scholes. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. Variance provides a front yard setback for construction of a front porch on the residence.

Nick Burrus reported the emergency grant has basically been approved. Waiting on final notification. The Jackson Street rail road crossing is completed. However, an estimate for reconstruction of the ditch on the west side of the crossing is being sought. The incline of the newly raised crossing created erosion and maintenance issues. A corrosion control

permit for the Water Department is expected within the next few weeks. Exhibits have been presented to EJ Water for an emergency, water interconnect. An agreement is being prepared by the attorney.

Commissioner Slingerland reported a new pump is needed at the north sewer plant, cost of \$9984.00. New phone alarm systems are being explored to reduce phone costs. LP tanks are being considered at lift station locations, this would eliminate Liberty Utilities costly monthly fees. An automatic water main line flusher has been installed on North Tenth Street and another will be installed at 300th & 1100th.

Commissioner Frailey reported an outage and street closure are scheduled for the morning of July 14th to replace four utility poles along North Main Street.

Commissioner Scholes reported the new slide has been installed at Schmidt Park. A dedication ceremony is being planned by the Amelia Shepard family along with planting of a tree and plaque installation.

Curly Stuemke entered the meeting. He encouraged the City Council to gather information regarding the new ambulance service plans which will become effective September 1, 2017. He stated, service to Altamont residences is a concern.

Commissioner Slingerland motioned to enter into Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Collective Bargaining Matters 120/2 (c) (2). Commissioner Scholes seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Upon returning to open session, the Police Department Union Contract was presented for approval. Commissioner Slingerland motioned to approve the contract presented with the exception of changing language of paid holidays to reflect 10 hours of regular pay to “paid holidays to reflect *standard shift* hours of regular pay. Commissioner Frailey seconded the motion. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

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

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
July 24, 2017 - 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. *Luke Eastin, Economic Development Planner, South Central Illinois Regional Planning & Development Commission; Presenting Overview of Services Offered to Assist with TIF District.*
 - B. *Approve 3 Year Renewal of ECivis Grant Search Program, Annual Cost of \$1200.*
 - C. *Approve Street Closing; Second Street from Adams south to Alley beginning noon September 2, 2017 to 1am September 3, 2017 for Benefit, Requested by Whistle Stop Saloon.*
 - D.
 - E.
 - F.
 - G.
 - H. *ADJOURN*

POSTED: July 21, 2017- 4:00 pm.

SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
July 24, 2017

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on July 24, 2017, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Jason Rippetoe; Commissioner Nathan Scholes; Commissioner Jason Williams; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Todd Slingerland. Also present –Luke Eastin, SCIRPDC; Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh; City Clerk Sarah Stephen.

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 Scholes. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. (Attachment 1)

Luke Eastin, Economic Development Planner, South Central Illinois Regional Planning & Development Commission presented an overview of services offered to assist the City with the TIF District. SCIRPDC would work in a consultant status providing draft agreements, which the City attorney would review and guide the Council for the best interest of the City. The organizations hourly rate is \$42.00 per hour. However, agreements are customarily entered into providing a package price. The organization would also assist in submitting the application to extend the enterprise zone. The customary cost for a community of our size is \$20,000.

Commissioner Slingerland motioned to not approve a three year renewal of ECivis grant search program. Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. The program has not proven valuable.

Council approved a street closing of Second Street from Adams south to alley beginning September 2, 2017 noon until 1:00 am September 3, 2017 as requested by Whistle Stop Saloon to conduct a benefit. Commissioner Slingerland motioned for approval. Commissioner Scholes seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Scholes, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Commissioner Slingerland reported he met with Mark Sedlacek to discuss planning improvements to the North Wastewater treatment facility. Cost estimates were received from the Equity in the amount of \$2,700 to convert wastewater treatment plant generators at the south and East Meadows lift stations from natural gas to propane. The City would own the propane tanks. The change would eliminate Liberty Utilities high commercial facility charges. More estimates will be sought. The south wastewater treatment plant needs replacement of an auto transfer switch at the cost of \$6200. He reported that operating the water treatment plant with three employees has become a burden of overtime and doesn't seem to be cost effective. He recommended hiring a fourth full time employee.

Commissioner Frailey reported line clearing needs to be conducted west of Aker Drive.

Commissioner Williams reported drainage is being cleaned near Grant Avenue. He discussed having water department employees assist in projects requiring water main exposure. Their labor would help free up Street Department employees for other responsibilities. The Route 128 IDOT improvements are documented to include the State replacing curb and gutters, with estimated bid date for some time in 2020.

Commissioner Scholes reported two bids were being obtained for resetting and minor repairs of stones in Union Cemetery. An estimate of \$100,000 was received to replace the fencing in Gilbert Park, as requested during a recent meeting with leagues. Without financial assistance, the project is not feasible at this time.

Mayor Rippetoe commented the south sidewalk adjacent to RDM Cabinets has a sever slope allowing water into the building during heavy rains. Repair options were discussed. He would like to restrict Tenth Street weight limit to 6 ton. Approval documents will be presented at the next Council meeting. He questioned the Council about restocking the water reservoir with fish for future recreation.

Commissioner Slingerland requested support from the Council to attend an Effingham County Board meeting to obtain information regarding the new County ambulance service and how Altamont will be affected. It was suggested requesting a County Board member to attend the City Council meeting to answer questions.

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

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
August 14, 2017 - 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. *Sandy Perry, CliftonLarsonAllen Presenting FYE 2017 Audit.*
 - B. *Approve Request for Approval of Change Order of Jackson Street Railroad Project.*
 - C. *Approve Engineer's Payment Estimate of Jackson Street Railroad Project in the Amount of \$38,157.90.*
 - D. *Approve Resolution 2017-08-06; Commitment of Cemetery Funds.*
 - E. *Approve South Central Illinois Regional Planning & Development Services Agreement for TIF and Business District, Not to Exceed \$5,000.*
 - F. *Approve Purchase of South Wastewater Lift Station Pumps from Vandevanter Engineering \$38,236.00.*
 - G. *Approve Ordinance VA 1499; Side Yard Setback 301 E Cumberland Rd.*
 - H. *Approve 5K Event, Benefiting Suicide Awareness/ Tanner Rupinski Family, September 30, 2017.*
 - I. *ADJOURN*

POSTED: August 11, 2017- 4:00 pm.

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
August 14, 2017

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on August 14, 2017, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Jason Rippetoe; Commissioner Jason Williams; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Todd Slingerland. Also present –Sandy Perry, CliftonLarsonAllen Accounting; Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh; Terry Hahn, Wastewater Dept Super; City Clerk Sarah Stephen. Commissioner Nathan Scholes 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 Slingerland. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. (Attachment 1)

Sandy Perry of CliftonLarsonAllen Accounting presented the FYE 2017 Audit. No discrepancies were found during the audit. She reflected on the net increase/decreases of each department. She encouraged fiduciary responsibility of the Council to oversee the economic stability of the City and regular reviewing of the financials.

Council approved a Change Order regarding the Jackson Street Railroad Project. Commissioner Williams motioned for approval. Commissioner Slingerland seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Commissioner Williams motioned to approve Engineer's Payment Estimate of the Jackson Street Railroad Project in the amount of \$38,157.90. Commissioner Slingerland seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Resolution 2017-08-06, Commitment of Cemetery Funds was approved on a motion by Commissioner Frailey and seconded by Commissioner Slingerland. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. Sandy Perry explained that special revenue funds must be committed by the Council to keep the Cemetery fund separate from the General Fund monies.

Council approved a Services Agreement with South Central Illinois Regional Planning & Development to administer general planning services within the TIF and Business Districts for an amount not to exceed \$5,000. Commissioner Slingerland motioned for approval. Commissioner Frailey seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Commissioner Slingerland motioned to approve the purchase of pumps for the south wastewater lift station from Vandevanter Engineering in the amount of \$38,236.00. Commissioner Williams seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. The current pumps are indicating extreme stress and possible failure.

Ordinance VA-1499 Side Yard Setback 301 E Cumberland Rd, was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. Ordinance provides a setback for placement of a self-serve ice machine.

Council approved a 5K Event Benefiting Suicide Awareness/Tanner Rupinski Family on September 30, 2017. Commissioner Slingerland motioned for approval. Commissioner Frailey seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Commissioner Slingerland reported the need for an additional employee in the Water Department. They are currently working with three employees. He stated the amount of overtime paid out warrants the hiring and would relieve the current staff. The Water Department would like to visit sites that utilize aeration systems to control algae. Such a system would eliminate the need to feed copper sulfate into the reservoir. Bid letting will soon be ready for Filter #1.

Commissioner Frailey reported Elliott Smithson has resigned from the Electric Department for another opportunity. Zachary Schaal has been chosen as replacement.

Commissioner Williams reported drainage repairs have recently subsided for other job responsibilities. Options to assist with the work load were discussed. The Street & Alley ice machine is in need of major repairs. A new unit will be purchased at the cost of \$1,649.00.

Clerk Stephen reported the City attorney has a conflict in representing the City for condemnation of a mobile home located on Lucky Drive. Council directed to contact the attorney previously utilized in similar situation.

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

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
August 28, 2017 - 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. *Jeff Simpson, Discuss Altamont Coverage of County Ambulance Service.*
 - B. *Discuss Renewal of Clean Uniform Service Contract.*
 - C. *Approve Ordinance AM 1501-1– Zoning Amendment 403 South Third St.*
 - D.
 - E.
 - F.
 - G.
 - H.
 - I. *ADJOURN*

POSTED: August 25, 2017- 4:00 pm.

SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
August 28, 2017

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on August 28, 2017, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Jason Rippetoe; Commissioner Jason Williams; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Todd Slingerland. Also present – Jeff Simpson, Effingham County Board; Brian Gerth, Abbott EMS; Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh; Alan Heiens, Police Chief; Alvin Oliver; Amanda Sapp; City Clerk Sarah Stephen. Commissioner Nathan Scholes 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 Frailey, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. (Attachment 1)

Altamont Police Chief, Alan Heiens, presented the July 2017 Police Activity Report.

Commissioner Slingerland entered the meeting at this time.

Brian Gerth, Abbot EMS Operations Manager, addressed questions from the Council regarding the new County ambulance service. Mr. Gerth assured the Council the Altamont area would have adequate ambulance service, with 5 daytime units and 3 night units county wide. Effingham will be the primary post with the second post planned for Altamont. 911 calls will be answered by Effingham County dispatch, connected with Abbot, who will then dispatch the nearest unit to the situation. County dispatch will stay connected to the call to assist in directing the unit. Jeff Simpson explained the Effingham County Board has approved utilizing Altamont Ambulance as mutual aid to the County. He also stated favorable comments have been received from the citizenry regarding the services already offered within the County.

Council approved Ordinance AM1501-1 Zoning Amendment for 403 South Third Street. Commissioner Williams motioned for approval. Commissioner Slingerland seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. Resolution provides rezoning of the location from commercial B-3 to residential SR-2.

Council discussed the renewal of Clean Uniform Service contract. The renewal proposal provides for a six year contract with 2 year price guarantee and a three year opt out option. Mayor Rippetoe stated providing uniforms is not the issue, it is cost savings and employees should realize the benefit being received. Council considered direct purchase, annual uniform allowances with specific purchase locations and items. Direct purchase prices will be compared with the exception of Electric Department employees who must maintain the fire retardant clothing value by having garments professionally laundered.

Commissioner Slingerland reported the wastewater south lift station transducer has been repaired. The water hydrant at Second & Madison should be eliminated. It has low pressure and there are adequate hydrants in the area. He again expressed the need for an additional employee in the Water Department, with the possibility of the employee being shared with Street

Department. Commissioner Williams stated it would be a benefit to both departments. A help wanted ad will be submitted to the paper.

Commissioner Frailey reported line maintenance is complete for the proposed ice machine business. Zachary Schaal has been hired in the Electric Department. Line maintenance will be conducted creating temporary outages in East Meadows Subdivision. Secondary lines will be moved to poles which had been set in the past. Older poles will be removed and tree trimming will follow.

Commissioner Williams reported Effingham County has assisted in applying durapatch to City streets. Relocation of storm sewer drops are needed before annual oiling can be done. He suggested receiving contractor quotes for repairs to Third Street to include curbing and sidewalk repair adjacent to the Living Museum. He has been contacted by IDOT regarding the shoulder area of Rt 128 from Hwy 40 to I70. IDOT will be resurfacing the Route and would like the City to maintain the shoulder area, a per longstanding agreement, at an estimated cost of \$123,000. IDOT has offered a ten year no interest payment plan. Considering the average monthly motor fuel income is \$5,000, monies remaining for annual street maintenance would be strained.

Mayor Rippetoe announced Commissioner Scholes submitted his resignation effective today. He and his family will be relocating outside city limits. An ad will be placed in the paper requesting interested parties to submit a letter of interest to the City Council.

Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh, reported the Division Street grant application is progressing through South Central Illinois Planning & Development. Water Department Filter #1 replacement will be ready to bid after Labor Day.

Alvin Oliver requested the Council to enforce several conditions which were placed on approved zoning amendments and/or variances. He mentioned locations needing weed growth maintenance, maintenance needed at Union Cemetery, trees adjacent to his property needing trimmed, removed and replaced, and the safety of children crossing Edwards Street as they leave the grade school.

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

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
September 11, 2017 - 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. ENGINEER REPORT
4. PUBLIC COMMENTS
5. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS
6. COMMUNICATIONS
7. AGENDA ITEMS
 - A. *Approve Resolution 2017-09-07; Authorizing Intergovernmental Agreement Cooperation Contract with IMLRMA.*
 - B. *Approve Request from Lynn Kull to Conduct a Special Burn to Clean a Waterway.*
 - C. *Approve Roadside Fundraiser Request – Effingham Knights of Columbus, Tootsie Roll Drive, September 15, 2017.*
 - D. *Approve Request to Conduct ALIS Cheer 5K Race on October 21, 2017 at 10:00 am.*
 - E. *Approve Ordinance 619-17; Amending Motor Vehicle Code Load Limits. Reducing Tenth Street Load Limit from 10 ton to 6 ton.*
 - F. *ADJOURN*

POSTED: September 08, 2017- 4:00 pm.

SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
September 11, 2017

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on September 11, 2017, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Jason Rippetoe; Commissioner Jason Williams; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Todd Slingerland. Also present – Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh; Mark Hoskins, Altamont News; Alan Heiens, Police Chief; City Clerk Sarah Stephen. One Commissioner vacancy exists.

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 Slingerland. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. (Attachment 1)

Altamont Police Chief, Alan Heiens, presented the August 2017 Police Activity Report.

Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh presented an update of projects: Water Department – Filter #1 bids are advertised, bid opening 9/29/17 at 10 am; an agreement is being drafted by the attorney for EJ Water emergency interconnect; Street Dept. – Jackson St railroad crossing funds have been requested from ICC; Altamont will be receiving one of the last emergency grants. Criteria has changed requiring a natural disaster motive for application. Most future DCEO grants will have more stringent rules.

Resolution 2017-09-07, Authorizing Intergovernmental Agreement Cooperation Contract with IMLRMA was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland. Motion seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

A Request by Lynn Kull to Conduct a special burn to clean a waterway was approved with the conditions the burn be coordinated with the Altamont Fire Chief and Cory Harris; ball diamond activities be considered and the fire is out before dusk. Commissioner Slingerland motioned for approval. Commissioner Williams seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

A Roadside Fundraiser Request by Effingham Knights of Columbus to conduct a Tootsie Roll Drive on September 15, 2017 was approved on a motion by Commissioner Frailey and seconded by Commissioner Slingerland. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Council approved a request to Conduct ALIS Cheer 5K Race on October 21, 2017 at 10:00 am. Commissioner Frailey motioned for approval. Commissioner Slingerland seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. The 5K will form at Klitzing Park.

Ordinance 619-17; Amending Motor Fuel Code Load Limits, Reducing Tenth Street Load Limit from 10 ton to 6 ton was approved on a motion by Commissioner Williams and seconded by

Commissioner Slingerland. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Commissioner Slingerland reported the water reservoir is experiencing a large algae growth. Sewer Department has camera inspected lines in the northwest section of the City.

Commissioner Frailey reported the East Meadows line along the east side of the field has been moved and old poles are removed. Line clearing behind Aker Drive is next on the project schedule.

Commissioner Williams reported the annual oiling schedule will be completed this week. At the corner of West Madison and North Second, the drain drop has been moved and corrected. After a discussion with IDOT regarding the Rt 128 shoulder area, members of IDOT will have further discussions regarding responsibility of replacement of the shoulder area.

Clerk Stephen explained the attorney opinion regarding living in an accessory structure and the actions to be taken for such an offense. No direction was given for obtaining evidence.

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

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
September 25, 2017 - 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. ENGINEER REPORT
3. PUBLIC COMMENTS
4. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS
5. COMMUNICATIONS
6. AGENDA ITEMS
 - A. *Approve Ordinance 620-17; Amending Chapter 38 of Municipal Code Regarding Elevation of Sewer Service Connections.*
 - B. *Approve Lions' Club Roadside Fundraiser Sept 29, 2017.*
 - C. *Approve Ordinance AM 1501-2– Zoning Amendment 401 South Third St.*
 - D. *Approve Ordinance AM 1506 – Zoning Amendment 409 South Third St.*
 - E. *Approve Ordinance 621-17; Amending Zoning Code, Buffer Strips, Fences, Walls & Hedges.*
 - F. *Executive Session for the Purposes of:
Considering Appointment to Fill Council Vacancy 5 ILCS 120, Section 2, (c)(3);
Setting Price for Sale of Property 5 ILCS 120, Section 2, (c)(6);
Personnel 5 ILCS 120, Section 2, (c)(1).*
 - G. *Approve Appointment to Fill Council Vacancy.*
 - H. *Action as Result of Executive Session*
 - I. *ADJOURN*

POSTED: September 22, 2017- 4:00 pm.

SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
September 25, 2017

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on September 25, 2017, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Jason Rippetoe; Commissioner Jason Williams; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Todd Slingerland. Also present – Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh; Mark Hoskins, Altamont News; Chuck Levitt; City Clerk Sarah Stephen. One Commissioner vacancy exists.

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 Slingerland. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. (Attachment 1)

Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh presented an update of projects: Water Department – Filter #1 bids are advertised, bid opening 9/29/17 at 10 am; an agreement is being drafted by the attorney for EJ Water emergency interconnect; Street Dept. – Jackson St railroad crossing funds have been requested from ICC; Division Street grant application process is proceeding.

Ordinance 620-17; Amending Chapter 38 of Municipal Code Regarding Elevation of Sewer Service Connections was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland. Motion seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. Ordinance provides that new construction sewer connections shall have a maximum depth of 42 inches below the finished grade at the point of building entrance.

A Lion's Club Roadside Fundraiser Request for September 29, 2017 was approved on a motion by Commissioner Frailey and seconded by Commissioner Williams. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Ordinance AM 1501-2; Zoning Amendment 401 South Third St was approved on a motion by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. Ordinance changes the location zoning from B-3 to SR-2.

Ordinance AM 1506; Zoning Amendment 409 South Third St was discussed by the Council. Commissioner Slingerland motioned to deny the recommendation of the Zoning Board. Commissioner Williams seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. A second ordinance clarifying the rezoning will be presented at the October 09, 2017 meeting.

Ordinance 621-17; Amending Zoning Code, Buffer Strips, Fences, Walls & Hedges was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland. Motion seconded by Commissioner Williams. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. Ordinance regulates the type of materials allowed for construction of privacy fences.

Commissioner Slingerland reported three job applications were received for the water/street & alley position. The south wastewater lift station motor is estimated to arrive in ten weeks.

Commissioner Frailey reported tree trimming is completed on Aker Drive and Fairlane Circle.

Commissioner Williams reported Main Street bumps are being ground down to prepare for 2018 resurfacing. Ditch cleaning south of Grant Street has been done. Completion of an exposed manhole at Rt 40 along the former railroad is awaiting a quote from R&H. A request has been received to purchase the railroad bed in Town & Country Subdivision that lies adjacent to residential properties. Mayor Rippetoe stated the City should retain possession of the location in the event it is necessary to construct a wastewater lift station to serve that area.

Mayor Rippetoe reported the possibility of a roadway exchange with Mound Township. The exchange would be a savings for each entity.

Council entered into Executive Session for the purposes of Considering Appointment to Fill Council Vacancy 5 ILCS 120, Section 2, (c)(3); Setting Price for Sale of Property 5 ILCS 120, Section 2, (c)(6); Personnel 5 ILCS 120, Section 2, (c)(1).

Upon returning to Open Session Commissioner Slingerland motioned to appoint Dan Milleville to fill the current Council vacancy. Commissioner Frailey seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

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

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
October 09, 2017 - 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. ENGINEER REPORT
4. PUBLIC COMMENTS
5. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS
6. COMMUNICATIONS
7. AGENDA ITEMS
 - A. *Official Oath of Office – Dan Milleville, Parks & Cemetery Commissioner.*
 - B. *Approve Ordinance AM 1506-1; Zoning Amendment 409 South Third St.*
 - C. *Approve Resolution 2017-10-09; Regulating Employee Use of Equipment.*
 - D. *Approve payment to Effingham Asphalt in the Amount of \$31,157.90, Jackson St Crossing.*
 - E. *Approve Street Closing- Second St from Main to Washington, Oct 31st 5-8, Christian Church Trunk or Treat.*
 - F. *Approve Resolution 2017-10-08; Awarding Contract to Korte Luitjohan for Water Treatment Plant Filter #1 Rehabilitation.*
 - G. *Approve Final Pay Estimate in the Amount of \$1,500, Jackson St Crossing.*
 - H. *ADJOURN*

POSTED: October 05, 2017- 4:00 pm.

SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
October 09, 2017

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on October 09, 2017, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Jason Rippetoe; Commissioner Jason Williams; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Todd Slingerland; Commissioner Dan Milleville. Also present –Michael Tappendorf, Milano & Grunloh; Mark Hoskins, Altamont News; Ken Ginn; Alan Heiens, Altamont Police Chief; Terry Hahn, Supr WWTP; City Clerk Sarah Stephen.

Dan Milleville accepted the Official Oath of Office as Commissioner of Parks & Cemetery. He replaces the resigned Nathan Scholes.

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 Milleville. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland; Commissioner Williams, yes; Commissioner Milleville, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.
(Attachment 1)

Altamont Police Chief, Alan Heiens, presented the September 2017 police activity report.

Michael Tappendorf, Milano & Grunloh, reported results of the recent bid opening for Filter #1 rehabilitation. A report was provided concerning other ongoing projects.

Ordinance AM1506-1 Zoning Amendment for 409 South Third Street was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland; Commissioner Williams, yes; Commissioner Milleville, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. The ordinance provides the location to be rezoned from B-3 to SR-2.

Resolution 2017-10-09; Regulating Employee Use of Equipment was approved on a motion by Commissioner Frailey and seconded by Commissioner Williams. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland; Commissioner Williams, yes; Commissioner Milleville, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. The resolution serves as an addition to the employee handbook and prohibits employees from taking equipment or tools off City premises for personal use.

Council approved payment to Effingham Asphalt in the amount of \$31,157.90 for improvements to Jackson Street Railroad crossing. Commissioner Williams motioned for approval. Commissioner Frailey seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland; Commissioner Williams, yes; Commissioner Milleville, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Council approved a street closing request made by the Altamont Christian Church to conduct Trunk or Treat on October 31, 2017. Commissioner Williams motioned for approval. Commissioner Milleville seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland; Commissioner Williams, yes; Commissioner Milleville, yes; Mayor

Rippetoe, yes. Second Street from Main to Washington will be closed October 31, 2017 from 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm.

Resolution 2017-10-08 Awarding Contract to Korte Luitjohan for Water Treatment Plant Filter #1 Rehabilitation was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Milleville. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland; Commissioner Williams, yes; Commissioner Milleville, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. The bid amount was \$71,920 with an additional \$2,130 to upgrade to a stainless steel trough.

Council approved the final pay estimate of the Jackson Street Crossing in the amount of \$1500.00 for engineering costs. Commissioner Williams motioned for approval. Commissioner Slingerland seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland; Commissioner Williams, yes; Commissioner Milleville, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Ken Ginn thanked the Council for the improvements to the Jackson Street Crossing.

Commissioner Slingerland reported Jarrett Goers has been hired to primarily work in the Water Department and as an assistant to the Street Department. The Water reservoir is down two feet and the algae bloom persists. Pillars of the sewer line at Rt 40 and Sixth St have been repaired. He complimented the work on the drainage area at that location.

Commissioner Frailey reported the dry weather has allowed much tree trimming. Commissioner Williams noted that a customer on 1100th has requested a pole replacement. Mayor Rippetoe agreed the poles in the area need attention.

Commissioner Williams reported the ditch at Rt 40 and Sixth Street is done. More rip rap will be pulled from the south wastewater treatment plant and placed in the ditch line. Patching of Main Street is completed for this year. Prior to resurfacing Main Street from Rt 40 to Monroe, storm drops need placed at Madison and Main, Washington and Main on the north and south sides of Washington.

Commissioner Milleville has been observing Parks and Cemetery and spoken with Nathan Scholes about pending projects.

Clerk Stephen reported legal notice has been issued to the owner of a mobile home in violation of the Abandoned Mobile Home Act. The owner has a 30 day compliance deadline.

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

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
October 23, 2017 - 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. ENGINEER REPORT
3. PUBLIC COMMENTS
4. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS
5. COMMUNICATIONS
6. AGENDA ITEMS
 - A. *Discuss Employee Health Insurance Renewal.*
 - B. *Executive Session for the Purposes of Personnel 5 ILCS 120, Section 2, (c)(1).*
 - C. *Action As Result of Executive Session.*
 - D.
 - E.
 - F. *ADJOURN*

POSTED: October 20, 2017- 4:00 pm.

SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
October 23, 2017

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on October 23, 2017, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Jason Rippetoe; Commissioner Jason Williams; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Todd Slingerland; Commissioner Dan Milleville. Also present –Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh; Mark Hoskins, Altamont News; City Clerk Sarah Stephen.

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 Slingerland. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland; Commissioner Williams, yes; Commissioner Milleville, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.
(Attachment 1)

Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh, reported Filter #1 bid approval has been submitted; Jackson Street final pay estimate is being prepared. The EJ Water emergency interconnect agreement is being finalized as a 20 year agreement with an \$8,000 hookup fee to include a meter and \$2.90 per 1000 gallon usage fee. This interconnection should serve to satisfy IEPA.

Council discussed the employee health insurance renewal. Blue Cross Blue Shield quoted an increase of 40.80%. Five options were provided. Two considered options were Health Alliance and Healthy Lifestyles. After much discussion, Council directed Clerk Stephen to proceed to change coverage to Healthy Lifestyles. The estimated monthly cost has been quoted at \$16,111 a 6.74% increase over the current policy.

Commissioner Slingerland reported the water reservoir algae bloom continues. An ultrasonic treatment will be explored. Jarrett Goers has been hired in the Water Department.

Commissioner Frailey reported electric pedestals at Schmidt Park have been repaired.

Commissioner Williams reported the leaf pickup schedule starts this week. The storm sewer drop box on Main Street near Klitzing Park has been installed. A responsibility trade off with the township regarding East Division Street and Mill Road can be accomplished with an intergovernmental agreement of each street. Mayor Rippetoe will discuss the option with the township.

Commissioner Milleville reported he has been visiting and observing to get up to speed on projects. He walked Union Cemetery with a vendor to discuss monument repairs. He met with an individual interested in cooperative efforts to improve Gilbert Park. The annual Arbor Day planting will be held at noon on October 30th at Schmidt Park. Mayor Rippetoe commented he has had discussions about the saplings planted a few years ago at Union Cemetery. They have reached the size of requiring transplanting. He suggested one option is to transplant at Gilbert Park outside of Diamond C.

Commissioner Slingerland motioned to enter into Executive Session for the Purpose of Personnel 5 ILCS 120, Section 2, (c),(1). Commissioner Frailey seconded. Members voted as follows:

Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland; Commissioner Williams, yes; Commissioner Milleville, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

No action was taken as a result of Executive Session.

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

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
November 13, 2017 - 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. ENGINEER REPORT
4. PUBLIC COMMENTS
5. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS
6. COMMUNICATIONS
7. AGENDA ITEMS
 - A. *Approve 6 year Altorfer Agreement for Generator Maintenance for Annual Cost of \$27,416.00.*
 - B. *Approve Ordinance 622-17; Authorizing Execution of IMLRMA Minimum/Maximum Contribution Agreement in the Amount of \$145,358.27.*
 - C. *Approve Employee Uniform Program.*
 - D.
 - E. *Executive Session for the Purposes of Personnel 5 ILCS 120, Section 2, (c)(1).*
 - F. *Action As Result of Executive Session.*
 - G.
 - H. *ADJOURN*

POSTED: November 09, 2017- 4:00 pm.

SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
November 13, 2017

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on November 13, 2017, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Jason Rippetoe; Commissioner Jason Williams; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Todd Slingerland; Commissioner Dan Milleville. Also present –Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh; Mark Hoskins, Altamont News; Alan Heiens, Altamont Police Chief City Clerk Sarah Stephen.

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 Slingerland. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland; Commissioner Williams, yes; Commissioner Milleville, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. (Attachment 1)

Chief Heiens presented the October 2017 Police Activity Report. He also reported Officer Rose has taken a position with the Salem Police Department and Officer Collins will be on medical leave for three more weeks.

Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh, reported Filter #1 drawings will be available next week, supplies will arrive in approximately four weeks and pre-construction meeting will be held November 28th; awaiting Jackson Street final pay request. The EJ Water emergency interconnect agreement draft will be ready for presentation to Council. Repairs to Division Street are anticipated for fall of 2018 or spring 2019.

Council approved a six year Altorfer Agreement for Generator Maintenance for Annual Cost of \$27,416.00. Commissioner Frailey motioned for approval. Commissioner Slingerland seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland; Commissioner Williams, yes; Commissioner Milleville, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Ordinance 622-17 Authorizing Execution of IMLRMA Minimum/Maximum Contribution Agreement in the Amount of \$145,358.27 was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland. Motion seconded by Commissioner Milleville. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland; Commissioner Williams, yes; Commissioner Milleville, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. The insurance increase held at 1%.

Council discussed the employee uniform program. Data was provided comparing costs of the current Clean Uniform arrangement, a self-laundry program and garment purchase costs. The self-laundry program did not result in costs savings as expected. Commissioner Williams stated a direct buy program would be a logistical nightmare, depending on the setup. He is not in favor of a direct buy without an established program. He suggested options for renewal and asked what the similar quote would be for a new account. Mayor Rippetoe expressed his concern of the cost vs revenue annual increases not matching. Considering the necessity to keep the Electric Department under the current program to retain FR clothing standards, the change would not be an equal employee benefit change. Commissioner Milleville stated he would like to see what annual increases have been in the current contract. Commissioner Slingerland motioned to table

the matter. Commissioner Milleville seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland; Commissioner Williams, yes; Commissioner Milleville, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Commissioner Slingerland reported a cost estimate of \$16,000 was received by the Water Department for two ultrasonic units to control reservoir algae bloom. The process is currently used in other states. IEPA and engineers are consulted.

Commissioner Frailey reported Schmidt Park electric connections at Schmidt Park are ready for the Christmas display. The vintage street Christmas decorations remain in storage. They will be offered to Ho Ho Land first, then selling or disposing will be considered. Commissioner Slingerland recommended the decorations be hung in Klitzing Park.

Commissioner Williams reported leaf pickup is progressing. He will be helping the Garden Club put evergreen wreaths on the Schmidt Park walking path lamp posts.

Commissioner Milleville reported all parks are closed for the season. He praised the Street Department for improvements and maintenance completed in Gilbert Park.

Clerk Stephen reported establishment of a Facebook account would require outsourcing archiving of the site. Archiving is required of government entities for FOIA and transparency. The minimum annual cost found is \$1,000. Commissioner Slingerland stated his budgets not support the cost. Mayor Rippetoe stated the cost was excessive. Several Council members stated they could not justify the expense.

Commissioner Slingerland motioned to enter into Executive Session for the Purpose of Personnel 5 ILCS 120, Section 2, (c),(1). Commissioner Williams seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland; Commissioner Williams, yes; Commissioner Milleville, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Upon returning to open session, Commissioner Slingerland motioned to approve employees paying 40% of dependent health insurance, increase employee only portion of deductible from \$1500 to \$2000 and increase employee portion of family deductible from \$3175 to \$4175. Commissioner Williams seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland; Commissioner Williams, yes; Commissioner Milleville, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Clerk Stephen reported to the Council a resident of Town & Country Subdivision requested the City transfer ownership of the abandoned railroad property adjacent to the residential locations and the City retain an easement to the strip of land. Council members stated the land should be retained by the City for future infrastructure, as discussed at the 9/25/17 meeting.

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

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
November 27, 2017 - 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. ENGINEER REPORT
3. PUBLIC COMMENTS
4. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS
5. COMMUNICATIONS
6. AGENDA ITEMS
 - A. *Announce Estimated Tax Levy FYE 2018.*
 - B. *Approve Resolution 2017-11-10 Establishing 2018 Meetings.*
 - C. *Approve 2018 Holiday Schedule.*
 - D. *Approve Employee Uniform Program.*
 - E. *Approve Peoples Bank & Trust Rate & Fee Agreement.*
 - F.
 - G. *ADJOURN*

POSTED: November 22, 2017- 4:00 pm.

SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
November 27, 2017

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on November 27, 2017, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Jason Rippetoe; Commissioner Jason Williams; Commissioner Todd Slingerland; Commissioner Dan Milleville. Also present –Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh; Mark Hoskins, Altamont News; City Clerk Sarah Stephen. Commissioner Richard Frailey 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 Slingerland. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Commissioner Milleville, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.
(Attachment 1)

Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh, reported Filter #1 drawings have not been completed; awaiting Jackson Street final pay request. The EJ Water emergency interconnect agreement is ready for presentation to Council. He urged Council to not be alarmed by a premium charge listed in the agreement, it has never been necessary at other communities.

The Estimated Levy for FYE 2018 was announced in the amount of \$211,300 after abatements. This resulted in a 4.87% increase.

Resolution 2017-11-10 Establishing 2018 meetings was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Milleville. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Commissioner Milleville, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. Meetings will remain the second and fourth Mondays at 6:00 pm unless a holiday conflict occurs.

Council approved the 2018 Holiday Schedule on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Milleville. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Commissioner Milleville, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

A renewal of the Clean Uniform contract was approved on a motion by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner Slingerland. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Commissioner Milleville, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. The three year contract is price guaranteed for two years with a 3% increase the third year.

A Rate and Fee Agreement with Peoples Bank & Trust was approved on a motion by Commissioner Milleville and seconded by Commissioner Williams. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Commissioner Milleville, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Commissioner Slingerland reported he had no concerns with the EJ Water Emergency Interconnect agreement and considered it a good investment. The automatic line flushing units at Main and Tenth streets will be increased from 25 minutes to 30. The north lagoon check valve is malfunctioning, a repair cost will be determined.

Commissioner Williams reported leaf pickup will continue thru the week of December 8th. Residents are inquiring as to why the alley between Division Street and Meadows Street is closed to through traffic. Council members stated grass alleys should not be used during wet conditions. However, the signs should be removed as no other alleys are closed in the same manner.

Commissioner Milleville reported vandalism occurred to a building at Gilbert Park. The walking path lamp posts may be distracting from the Ho Ho Land lighting. It was suggested the lamp posts be disconnected only from Friday thru Sunday. The Ho Ho Land Committee will contact Mayor Rippetoe if the distraction is apparent.

Mayor Rippetoe reported Ho Ho Land is not interested in the vintage Christmas lights. Public questions have been received about a City of Altamont squad car being outside the City limits. Policies will be reviewed for restrictions.

Clerk Stephen reported with the many ash trees removed within the City, a large number of logs are being stored by the City. The Council was asked if opposed to burning the inventory, if the logs could be sold for lumber. Council suggested some contacts which will be pursued.

The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner Slingerland. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Commissioner Milleville, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
December 11, 2017 - 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. ENGINEER REPORT
4. PUBLIC COMMENTS
5. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS
6. COMMUNICATIONS
7. AGENDA ITEMS
 - A. *Approve VA-1516; 106 South Main, Front Yard Setback.*
 - B. *Approve AM-1517; 605 West Cumberland Rd, Rezoning from SR-2 to MR-2.*
 - C. *Approve Ordinance 623-17; Amending FYE 2018 Appropriation.*
 - D. *Approve Ordinance 624-17; FYE 2018 Tax Levy.*
 - E. *Approve Omnibus Vote:
Approve Ordinance 625-17; Abating Electric Bond 2017 Tax Levy.
Approve Ordinance 626-17; Abating Water Bond 2017 Tax Levy.*
 - F. *Approve Milano & Grunloh Project Authorization, Water Department Filter #1, Not to Exceed \$2,750.00.*
 - G. *Approve 2018 Employee Assistance Program, Annual Cost of \$24.00 per Employee.*
 - H. *Approve Ordinance 627-17; EJ Water Cooperative Agreement.*
 - I. *Approve Final Pay Request in the Amount of \$3,321.70 Regarding Safe Routes to Schools.*
 - J. *ADJOURN*

POSTED: December 08, 2017- 4:00 pm.

SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
December 11, 2017

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on December 11, 2017, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Jason Rippetoe; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Jason Williams; Commissioner Todd Slingerland; Commissioner Dan Milleville. Also present – Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh; Mark Hoskins, Altamont News; Alan Heiens, Altamont Police Chief; City Clerk Sarah Stephen.

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 Milleville. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. (Attachment 1)

Chief Heiens presented the November 2017 Police Activity Report.

Nick Burrus reported shop drawings for the Water Department Filter #1 have arrived at the engineer's office. IDOT approved a final pay estimate regarding Safe Routes to Schools.

Ordinance VA-1516; 106 South Main was approved on a motion by Commissioner Frailey and seconded by Commissioner Slingerland. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. The ordinance provides a front yard setback for construction of a front porch.

Ordinance AM-1517; 605 West Cumberland Road was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Milleville. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. Ordinance provides rezoning from SR-2 to MR-2 allowing two homes at the location to be utilized as rental property. A condition was attached requiring any future building to be presented for prior approval to the Zoning Board and City Council.

Ordinance 623-17; Amending FYE 2018 Appropriation was approved on a motion by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. The appropriation decreased by \$1,108,158 a majority of the change resulted from projects that will not occur in this fiscal year.

Ordinance 624-17; FYE 2018 Tax Levy was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Milleville. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

The Omnibus Vote comprised of Ordinance 625-17 and 626-17 was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Williams. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. Ordinances abate the levy for costs of Electric and Water bond payments.

The Milano and Grunloh Project Authorization regarding Water Department Filter #1, not to Exceed \$2,750 was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Milleville. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

The Employee Assistance Program renewal was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. The program is administered by Sarah Busch Lincoln Health Center for an annual cost of \$24.00 per employee.

Ordinance 627-17; EJ Water Cooperative Agreement was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Milleville. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. The agreement provides for EJ Water to construct an emergency interconnect.

Council approved a final pay request in the amount of \$3321.70 regarding Safe Routes to Schools project. Commissioner Williams motioned for approval. Commissioner Frailey seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Commissioner Slingerland reported Water Department employee Ryan Spade is completing training for Class A water operator license. The estimated cost of installation of an ultrasonic reservoir treatment is \$16,000. The process is not currently utilized in Illinois, therefore may not require an IEPA permit. The reservoir aeration may be disabled this winter to allow full surface freezing with anticipation geese will not land on the reservoir, thus eliminating the threat of ecoli caused by the geese.

Commissioner Frailey reported lighting has been installed in the pole yard.

Commissioner Williams reported annual leaf pickup has been completed. He read a letter of appreciation from Roy Long regarding modifications to the drainage near his residence.

Commissioner Milleville had nothing to report.

Mayor Rippetoe reported he is looking into demolition of commercial and residential buildings in the City. He discussed future direction of managing the City, if Council should consider doing business as always or attempt developments of residential or commercial areas.

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

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
December 26, 2017 - 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. ENGINEER REPORT
3. PUBLIC COMMENTS
4. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS
5. COMMUNICATIONS
6. AGENDA ITEMS
 - A. *Ordinance 628-17; Granting Franchise to Liberty Utilities.*
 - B. *Ordinance 629-17; Authorizing Purchase of Real Property for Ball Field & Utility Purposes (HLI – Ball Field Encroachment)*
 - C.
 - D. *ADJOURN*

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SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
December 26, 2017

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on December 26, 2017, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Jason Rippetoe; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Todd Slingerland. Also present – Mark Hoskins, Altamont News; City Clerk Sarah Stephen. Commissioner Jason Williams and Commissioner Dan Milleville were absent.

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

Ordinance 628-17 Granting Franchise to Liberty Utilities was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Frailey. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. The agreement is for a 20 year term.

Ordinance 629-17 Authorizing Purchase of Real Property for Ball Field & Utility Purposes (HLI-Ball Field Encroachment) was approved on a motion by Commissioner Frailey and seconded by Commissioner Slingerland. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. The Ordinance provides an easement to the City for an area currently comprised of a Gilbert Park outfield fence.

Commissioner Slingerland reported Ryan Spade passed his Class A water operator testing. When the required on the job hours are completed, he will receive Class A certification. Pumps have been installed at the wastewater south lift station. The north wastewater lagoon check valve has been installed.

Commissioner Frailey stated the Electric Department is seeking a new employee, following the resignation of Zach Schaal. He mentioned the Council and Tree Committee should be discussing replacement of the many trees that are being removed due to age and the Emerald Ash borer.

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

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk