CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
January 14, 2019 - 6:00 p.m.

<u>Agenda</u>

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

2. POLICE REPORT

3. ENGINEER REPORT

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

5. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

6. COMMUNICATIONS

7. AGENDA ITEMS

   A. *Approve Application to Maintain Trailer Court: Brian & Amanda Bannister for Lucky's Trailer Court.*

   B. *Approve Roadside Fundraiser Request by Altamont Lions Club, April 27, 2019.*

   C. *Approve Roadside Fundraiser Request by Heartland Baptist Church, April 27, 2019.*

   D. *Approve Sarah Bush Lincoln Employee Assistance Plan Service Agreement.*

   E. *Adjourn.*

POSTED: January 11, 2019- 4:00 pm.

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SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
January 14, 2019

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on January 14, 2019, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Jason Rippetoe; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Dan Milleville; Commissioner Todd Slingerland; Commissioner Jason Williams. Also present – Shelby Niehaus, Altamont News; Vaughn Voelker, Water Department Supr; Jim Strange, Lions Club; Bryan Seidel, Electric Department Supr; Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh; Brian & Amanda Bannister; Alan Heiens, Altamont Police Chief; Clarence Pagel; Lloyd Wendling; Mike & Beverly Brown and 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 Alan Heiens presented the December 2018 Police Activity Report.

Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh reported the permit has been received for the sonic algae units. DCEO grant applications are anticipated to have a deadline of June or July. It is imperative that income surveys be completed in the near future. 75% of the surveys are required.

Council approved an Application to Maintain a Trailer Court by Brian & Amanda Bannister for the former Lucky's Trailer Court. Commissioner Williams motioned for approval with the contingency that two damaged mobile homes are removed. Commissioner Slingerland seconded the motion. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. Mike Brown stated one of the mentioned mobile homes would be removed tomorrow. For second mobile home, he is trying to determine ownership.

Council approved a roadside fundraiser request by the Altamont Lions Club for April 27, 2019. Commissioner Frailey motioned for approval. Commissioner Slingerland seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Approval of a roadside fundraiser request by Heartland Baptist Church for April 27, 2019 was tabled. They will be asked to pick an alternate date.

Council approved Sarah Bush Lincoln Employee Assistance Plan Service Agreement on a motion by Commissioner Frailey and seconded by Commissioner Milleville. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Commissioner Slingerland reported annual influent and effluent totals from the sewer plant locations. Jarrett Goers has resigned his position with the Water Department. Bid advertising is out for the water tower painting.

Commissioner Frailey reported work for the Senior living apartments on Cumberland Road is 85% complete. The high school has requested security lighting in the front parking lot along Ewing Street. Council discussed replacing the lights. The school has agreed to pay half of the upgraded LED light fixture cost. Bryan Seidel explained the plan to replace all Ewing Street lighting with LED and add an additional fixture on an existing pole. Commissioner Frailey stated it is a win/win situation.

Commissioner Williams reported snow removal has been the recent focus. He appreciated help from the other departments. Tree removal is being planned in the near future.

Commissioner Milleville reported he has been reviewing the previous mowing bid contracts. This year he would like to include weed control of the warning tracks and fences at Gilbert Park. Such an agreement will establish the responsible party for weed control in these areas. Sidewalk edging will be added to the contracts for the Municipal Building, Klitzing & Schmidt Parks.

The meeting was adjourned 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.

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Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
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January 28, 2019 - 6:00 p.m.

Agenda

1. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:
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   Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bills
2. ENGINEER REPORT
3. PUBLIC COMMENTS
4. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS
5. COMMUNICATIONS
6. AGENDA ITEMS

   A. *Approve Roadside Fundraiser Request by American Legion Post, April 26, 2019 for American Poppy Day. Rain Date of May 3, 2019.*

   B. *Approve Awarding Water Tower Exterior Coating Bid to Neumann Company in the Amount of $94,800.*

   C. *Approve Advertising 2019 Mowing Contract.*

   D. *Adjourn.*

POSTED: January 25, 2019- 4:00 pm.

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SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
January 28, 2019

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on January 28, 2019, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Jason Rippetoe; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Dan Milleville; Commissioner Todd Slingerland; Commissioner Jason Williams. Also present – Shelby Niehaus, Altamont News; Vaughn Voelker, Water Department Supr; Clarence Pagel; and 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)

Council approved a Roadside Fundraiser Request by American Legion Post for April 26, 2019 for American Poppy Day with Rain Date of May 3, 2019. Commissioner Slingerland 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.

Council awarded Water Tower Exterior Coating Bid to Neuman Company in the Amount of $94,800. Commissioner Slingerland motioned for approval. Commissioner Williams seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Commissioner Milleville motioned to approve advertising 2019 Mowing Contract. Commissioner Slingerland seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. The requirement of an Illinois Commercial Applicator Spray License for Gilbert Park warning tracks and fence lines was added to the bid specifications. Flat areas and parking lots will be sprayed by City employees.

Commissioner Slingerland presented a quote from Vandevanter Engineering in the amount of $96,941.00 for improvements to automate the plant chemical feed, monitoring ability and change of the chemical feed process to include installation of a valve, chlorine analyzer and alarm system. The quote does not include housing and excavating. Mayor Rippetoe asked if the upgrade would eliminate existing chemical feeds. Vaughn Voelker, Water Dept Supr, explained it would only automate chlorine and ammonia. Analyzers would need to be online and flow rates would be calculated by employees as there is no history for a scada system to reference.

Commissioner Frailey reported lighting on Ewing Street is complete. Seals are leaking on the digger truck. Repairs are being planned when weather conditions are more favorable for the truck to be out of service.

Commissioner Williams reported he is preparing for Ewing Street & Gilbert Park drainage cleaning. Phil Schultz can clean the Gilbert Park drainage area from Rt 40 to behind Kull’s barn in 2-3 days. Lynn Kull is in agreement with the project. He stated the culvert under Rt 40 also needs to be cleared. He also reported drainage around the Municipal Building has not been completed. Mayor Rippetoe mentioned placing 2” of asphalt under the west canopy to minimize water running to the building.

Commissioner Milleville reported Gilbert Park batters building is in use. Schedules for upcoming leagues are being turned in.

Mayor Rippetoe reported he is making progress on property annexation. The owners of Jack Flash are anticipating a renovation in the near future. Money has been earmarked for improvements to Carriage Lane in conjunction with the development.

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

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Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
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February 11, 2019 - 6:00 p.m.

Agenda

1. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:
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2. POLICE REPORT

3. ENGINEER REPORT

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

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7. AGENDA ITEMS

   A. *Beth Speers – Little Library.*

   B. *Approve Request by Altamont Student Council to Conduct ACHS 5 K Memorial Run, to be held April 13, 2019, 9 am.*

   C. *Approve Roadside Fundraiser Request by Altamont VFW Poppy Days, May 10, 2019, Rain Date May 17, 2019.*

   D. *Approve 2019-02-01; Sale of 2007 Dodge Charger.*

   E. *Approve Use of Bond Savings for Water Tower Painting.*

   F. *Approve Designated Areas to be Included in New Enterprise Zone Application Process*

   G. *Approve Bid Advertising of Consultant to Prepare New Enterprise Zone Application*

   H. *Approve Ordinance 655-19; Establishing a Net Metering Policy and Terms and Conditions for Interconnection (Solar Energy)*

I. *Discuss valve repair quote vs clear well repair.*

J. *Discuss Mailing of Project Area Income Surveys.*

K. *Adjourn.*

POSTED: February 08, 2019- 4:00 pm.

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SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
February 11, 2019

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on February 11, 2019, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Jason Rippetoe; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Dan Milleville; Commissioner Todd Slingerland; Commissioner Jason Williams. Also present – Shelby Niehaus, Altamont News; Lloyd Wendling, Water Department; Terry Hahn, Sewer Dept Supr; Beth Speers; Konnie Smith; Nick Burrus; Jeff Simpson; Charles Mills, Effingham Daily News; Alan Heiens, Altamont Police Chief; Clarence Pagel; and 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)

Police Chief, Alan Heiens, presented the January 2019 Police Activity Report.

Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh, reported a preliminary of the Division Street project will be presented at the next meeting. The DCEO grant deadline has been extended to August.

Beth Spears, Altamont Public Librarian, presented the Little Free Library program to the Council. The Library and the Altamont Garden Club are proposing a little free library be established in Schmidt Park. Books would be provided by the Altamont Library. The constructed container would be maintained by the Library and Garden Club and would be listed on the national register. Speers requested placement permission from the City Council.

Council approved Request by Altamont Student Council to Conduct ACHS 5K Memorial Run, to be held April 13, 2019, 9am. Commissioner Frailey motioned for approval. Commissioner Milleville seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Council approved a Roadside Fundraiser Request by Altamont VFW for May 10, 2019 for VFW Poppy Day with Rain Date of May 17, 2019. Commissioner Slingerland motioned for approval. Commissioner Williams seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Council approved Resolution 2019-02-01; Sale of 2007 Dodge Charger. Commissioner Slingerland 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. The winning bid was $400.00.

Commissioner Slingerland motioned to approve utilizing Water Department funds held in the 2026 Bond Savings Account for cost of the Water Tower Painting. Commissioner Williams seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Mayor Rippetoe explained the application period for the Enterprise Zone is soon approaching. The Enterprise Zone Board has recommended an area of 6 ½ square miles around Altamont and a 300 foot area on each side of Route 40 to be included in the new application. An option to include the Village of Beecher City, as connected by a line along Route 128, will be presented to the Beecher City Village Board. Jeff Simpson indicated the Effingham County Board was in favor of the County area being included in the Enterprise Zone. Commissioner Frailey motioned to approve the Designated Area to be Included in the Enterprise Zone Application Process. Commissioner Williams seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Commissioner Frailey motioned to approve Bid Advertising of Consultant to Prepare New Enterprise Zone Application. Commissioner Williams seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. Applications will be due February 22, 2019.

Ordinance 655-19; Establishing a Net Metering Policy and Terms and Conditions of Interconnection Policy (Solar Energy) 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.

Commissioner Slingerland again presented a quote from Vandevanter Engineering in the amount of $96,941.00 for improvements to automate the plant chemical feed, monitoring ability and change of the chemical feed process to include installation of a valve, chlorine analyzer and alarm system. He stated another $10,000 would be added to the project for housing and excavating. Cost to repair the clear well may be below the original $15,000, as new, less expensive process has been developed He referenced a listing provided to Council of advantages to using the clear well. He stated the 150,000 clear well capacity would be beneficial to the water system for many reasons. He urged the Council to consider clear well repairs in lieu of the more expensive valve automation. The possibility of operating only one shift, automation of the clear well, and operation/monitoring of hi service pumps was discussed. Commissioner Slingerland requested the matter be presented for a vote at the next meeting.

Mayor Rippetoe suggested a target area north of CSX Railroad, west of Union Pacific Railroad to west and north City limits be selected for income survey marketing. The goal is to make grant application to replace aged sewer lines. Customers completing the income surveys will receive a rebate as established by the Council at the next meeting.

Commissioner Slingerland reported the clarifier at the Water Department is leaking. Lloyd Wendling estimated 3000 gallons a day water loss. Wendling added repair of the leak would require shutting down the water treatment plant to allow hydraulic cement to cure. Recent blockage of the Dairy Bar sewer lateral was discussed.

Commissioner Frailey reported the digger truck is back in service after a leak was repaired.

Commissioner Williams reported he has discussed ADA compliance corrections near the post office with S&K Concrete. He has suggested the improvements be completed prior to Division Street project starting.

Commissioner Milleville and Mayor Rippetoe had nothing to report.

The meeting was adjourned 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.

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
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February 25, 2019 - 6:00 p.m.

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6. AGENDA ITEMS

   A. *John Vezetti, Vice President, Bernardi Securities.*

   B. *Award Mowing Bids.*

   C. *Award Consultant to Prepare Enterprise Zone Application.*

   D. *Approve Repair of Clear Well or Automation or Valves at Water Department.*

   E. *Approve Rebate Amount to Customers Submitting Income Surveys.*

   F. *Approve Ordinance 656-19; Authorizing Execution of Generation Siting and Operating Agreement (Solar Site)*

   G. *Approve Placement of Little Library in Schmidt Park.*

   H. *Adjourn.*

POSTED: February 22, 2019- 4:00 pm.

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SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
February 25, 2019

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on February 25, 2019, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Jason Rippetoe; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Dan Milleville; Commissioner Todd Slingerland; Commissioner Jason Williams. Also present – Shelby Niehaus, Altamont News; Vaughn Voelker, Water Department Supr; Terry Hahn, Sewer Dept Supr; Beth Speers; Konnie Smith; Nick Burrus; Charles Mills, Effingham Daily News; Alvin Oliver; Justin Osteen; Matt Holste; Jon Berg; Larry Taylor; Gary Goldstein; John Vezetti, Bernardi Securities; Clarence Pagel; and 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)

Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh, provided a preliminary plan of the Division Street project modifications were discussed. The street light at Division & Third will need relocated. Mayor Rippetoe stated the City would remove the light & pole, but the contractor will need to remove the foundation. Division Street from Main to Third will be completely replaced. Project letting is estimated for the end of March.

Council approved Placement of a Little Library in Schmidt Park on a motion by Commissioner Milleville. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Slingerland. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. Exact placement will be determined by the Park Commissioner.

John Vezetti of Bernardi Securities addressed the Council concerning refinancing of existing bonds. He stated the City has an A- rating which provides better interest rates. Council was favorable to proceed.

A comparison of mowing bids received was provided to Council. Commissioner Milleville stated he had reviewed the bids and he considered the prior year performances. Commissioner Milleville motioned to award groups 1, 2 & 3 to Precision Law Care and Group 4 to Jon Berg. Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Bids received for Consultants to Prepare Enterprise Zone Application were presented to the Council. Commissioner Frailey motioned to award the bid to South Central Illinois Regional Planning & Development. Commissioner Slingerland seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. SCIRPDC bid was in the amount of $28,000 with $2,000 inclusion of Beecher City for a total of $30,000.

Ordinance 656-19; Authorizing Execution of Generation Siting and Operating Agreement (Solar Site) was approved on a motion by Commissioner Frailey and seconded by Commissioner Williams. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. Larry Taylor commented IMEA will be contracting the project to protect the City. The solar panels are expected to be installed and operating before winter.

Larry Taylor reported Ameren has filed for a rate increase to be effective July 1, 2019. IMEA will attempt to negotiate a lower increase. Altamont customers will see the effect thru the energy cost adjustment. He also reported IMEA has approved the 2019 electric efficiency program to include a provision of $200 for electric vehicle charging stations.

Council approved a rebate for completion of income surveys. Commissioner Slingerland motioned to provide a $20.00 utility bill rebate for customers voluntarily completing an income survey and no rebate if a home visit request is required. Commissioner Milleville seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. Income surveys will be utilized in a grant application for ½ million dollars to replace sewer lines in the northwest section of the City.

After a lengthy discussion comparing improvement costs for the water treatment plant, Commissioner Slingerland motioned to have the clear well repaired not to exceed $15,000. Commissioner Milleville seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Clarence Pagel presented Clerk Stephen with a FOIA request for records pertaining to the latest sewer rate increase.

Commissioner Slingerland reported the clarifier leak at the Water Department can be fixed relative easy. Ryan Spade passed his Class A testing, but cannot receive full classification until hours on the job are satisfied. The north wastewater treatment plant received a compliant EPA certification.

Commissioner Frailey reported the Electric Department worked six weekend outages.

Commissioner Williams reported a quote has been received for the purchase of a replacement wood chipper in the amount of $38,000. The current unit is 25 years old, not as safe to operate and has more costly repairs than new models. More street sealing with the assistance of Effingham County is being scheduled. The waterway at Gilbert Park will start when weather permits. The project is an estimated two day project. Wood debris will be burned in a nearby field.

Commissioner Milleville reported Gilbert Park improvements - new benches installed in the batters building; the storage shed and tractor sheds are cleaned and organized; and the tractor has been serviced.

Mayor Rippetoe reported Wortman's are pursing demolition and remodeling of the Jack Flash location.

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

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Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
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7. AGENDA ITEMS

   A. *Mark Workman; Whistle Stop Future Plans.*

   B. *Approve Purchase of Police Department In Car Cameras in the Amount of $6,700.*

   C.

   D. *Executive Session for the Purpose of Closed Session Minute Approval & Minute Review 5 ILCS 120, Section 2, (c) (21) and Sale Price for Sale or Lease of Property 5 ILCS 120, Section 2 (c) (6).*

   E. *Approve Resolution 2019-03-02; Authorizing Destruction of Closed Session Minutes Recordings.*

   F. *Approve Resolution 2019-03-03; Authorizing Release of Closed Session Minutes.*

   G. *Adjourn.*

POSTED: March 08, 2019- 4:00 pm.

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SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
March 11, 2019

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on March 11, 2019, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Jason Rippetoe; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Dan Milleville; Commissioner Todd Slingerland; Commissioner Jason Williams. Also present – Shelby Niehaus, Altamont News; Charles Mills, Effingham Daily News; Clarence Pagel; Taylor Polk; Anna Solan; Mark Workman; Alan Heiens, Altamont Police Chief and 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)

Altamont Chief of Police, Alan Heiens, presented the February 2019 Police Activity Report.

Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh, was not present to report. Mayor Rippetoe stated the West Division Street project will be submitted to IDOT tomorrow.

Council approved purchase of Police Department in car cameras in the amount of $6700.00 on a motion by Commissioner Frailey. Motion seconded by Commissioner Williams. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. The cost is to be reimbursed from a grant recently received.

Commissioner Slingerland reported repairs to the clear well will begin Wednesday.

Commissioner Frailey reported the Electric Department responded to only one outage during recent high winds.

Commissioner Williams reported he would like to proceed with repairs to a 16x30 section of street near the Post Office and improvements to the ADA ramp. S&K provided a quote of $7,145.00. Council members expressed no opposition to proceeding.

Commissioner Milleville had nothing to report.

Mayor Rippetoe reported final details of the Wortman TIF agreement should soon be completed. A TIF Agreement regarding property on the South end of the City will be ready for approval at the next meeting. Annexation documents for property south of I70 are being signed by the property owners.

Mark Workman addressed the Council concerning modifications to his business, The Whistle Stop. He explained he recently purchased the parking area to the west of the current building. He described the west side proposed improvements as a patio area with surrounding 8 foot stone wall and a drive up entrance from Adams Street leading to the south with patrons exiting to the west via the existing alley. The existing chain link fence would be removed. The improvements would require electric poles and a street light be moved. He plans to resurface the parking area. Workman will be obtaining a property survey to ensure the boundaries.

Council entered into Executive Session for the Purpose of Closed Session Minute Approval & Minute Review 5 ILCS 120, Section 2, (c) (21) and Sale Price for Sale or Lease of Property 5 ILCS 120, Section 2 (c) (6). Commissioner Milleville motioned to enter in Executive Session. Commissioner Williams seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Upon returning to open session. Commissioner Williams motioned to approve Resolution 2019-03-02; Authorizing Destruction of Closed Session Minutes Recordings. Commissioner Milleville seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. (Attachment 2)

Commissioner Milleville motioned to approve Resolution 2019-03-03; Authorizing Release of Closed Session Minutes. Commissioner Slingerland seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. (Attachment 3)

Clerk Stephen reported to the Council that credit card fees are costing the City approximately $7,000 annually, due to an increase of debit and credit card payments. Three companies have been researched to process card payments in which the customer would absorb the fee. The company would provide a service from a remote location 24/7 via a website or calling center. She explained if such a change occurs, customers would be educated about the new fee, allowing them time to establish other methods of payment. Such a process would also eliminate the liability of credit card numbers compromised via the City data.

The meeting was adjourned 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.

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

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   A. *Altamont Garden Club; Benches for Schmidt Park.*

   B. *Approve Bid Advertising for Roof Replacement of Street & Alley Shop.*

   C. *Approve Ordinance SP-1553; Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning Home Occupation, 14 Lincoln Drive.*

   D. *Approve Mosquito Larviciding Agreement with Effingham County Health Department, Annual Cost of $845.00.*

   E. *Approve Ordinance 657-19; Authorizing Execution of Contract for Private Development Pursuant to Tax Increment Area; Richard & Tammy Kelly*

   F. *Discuss Variance of Mobile Home Exceeding Ten Year Age Restriction.*

   G.

   H. *Adjourn.*

POSTED: March 22, 2019- 4:00 pm.

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SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
March 25, 2019

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on March 25, 2019, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Jason Rippetoe; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Dan Milleville; Commissioner Todd Slingerland; Commissioner Jason Williams. Also present – Shelby Niehaus, Altamont News; Clarence Pagel; Taylor Polk; Anna Solan; Mark Workman; Lois Frost; Carol Laue; Charlene Calhoun; Mary Jo Kessler; Mary Ann Meeks; Nick Burrus; Dave Frederking and 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)

Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh, reported plans of the Division Street project have been sent to IDOT for review. An additional inlet at Fourth & Division was added to relieve standing water. He asked Council if the drainage from 2 South Main Street should be connected to the new storm system. Council recommended it be taken to the back of the inlet. He stated the sidewalk from Third to Main is 50/50 funding match with IDOT to include only the ADA sidewalk ramps. The sidewalk is a 100% cost to the City. The sidewalk will be subcontracted.

Carol Laue, President of the Altamont Garden Club addressed the Council to explain a plan to place benches along the Schmidt Park walking path. At this time, funding of four benches, at a cost of $1,400 each, is secured. She asked that the City assist with assembly of benches, pouring of concrete and setting of benches. Commissioner Milleville suggested the area of diseased ash trees be avoided until the trees can be removed.

Commissioner Williams motioned to approve Bid Advertising for Roof Replacement of the Street & Alley shop. Commissioner Frailey seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Ordinance SP-1553; Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning Home Occupation at 14 Lincoln Drive was approved on a motion by Commissioner Frailey and seconded by Commissioner Milleville. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Commissioner Williams motioned to approve Mosquito Larviciding Agreement with Effingham County Health Department for an Annual Cost of $845.00. Commissioner Milleville seconded the motion. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Ordinance 657-19; Authorizing Execution of Contract for Private Development Pursuant to Tax Increment Area; (Richard & Tammy Kelly) was approved on a motion by Commissioner Williams. Commissioner Frailey seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, abstained; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. The agreement provided demolition of 107 North Main Street, City to reimburse, with TIF funds, demolition costs of $30,000 and City obtains ownership after demolition; 1334 South Main Street & 3061 Mill Drive to be demolished, City to reimburse owner demolition costs of $10,000, from TIF funds. All demolitions shall be completed by December 31, 2019.

A current mobile home park owner requested the Council consider exceptions to the City's 10 year age restriction of mobile homes allowed within the City. The new owner is seeking to improve the mobile home park. Mayor Rippetoe stated the mobile home would need to be inspected. Commissioner Slingerland stated newer mobile homes have better construction than in earlier years. Commissioner Milleville stated updated units could encourage additional upgraded units.

Mark Workman addressed Council regarding improvement plans of the Whistle Stop. Mayor Rippetoe explained a set of construction plans were needed. Workman stated he is planning to place a majority of the parking area under roof to include a drive-up and outdoor seating.

Dave Frederking explained to Council he would like to expedite a water line extension to eight residential lots. A permit previously obtained is still in effect.

Commissioner Slingerland reported the clearwell repairs were accomplished in two days and has passed testing. A wastewater lift station pump was replaced. A new pump will be purchased for a backup.

Commissioner Frailey reported work is completed for the new senior apartment complex. He asked what maintenance was needed at the Gilbert Park Frisbee Golf tees. Past discussions did not advance to repair or change the tees.

Commissioner Williams reported an estimate of $6,993.00 was received from S&K Concrete for sidewalk installation from Main to Third St. More faults in concrete streets are appearing and S&K may be needed to correct those locations.

Commissioner Milleville reported new hand dryers have been installed in park restrooms. He met with contracted mowing companies to plan for the approaching season.

Mayor Rippetoe reported he attended the Beecher City Village board meeting to offer them partnership in the enterprise zone application process. The Village Board seemed favorable. He and Luke Easton, of South Central IL Regional Planning & Development will present details at the April Beecher City monthly meeting. A Zoning Board public hearing will be held April 16th as part of the process to annex acreage south of I70. He urged the Council to think about redevelopment plans for the annexed properties.

Council discussed the possibility of contracting removal of the diseased ash trees in Schmidt Park.

The meeting was adjourned 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.

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Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
April 08, 2019 - 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 Appointment of Matt Ramsey to Tourism Board.*

   B. *Approve Ordinance AM-1556; Rezoning 109 West Division from B-2 to SR-2.*

   C. *Approve Ordinance 658-19; Authorizing Execution of Contract for Private Development Pursuant to TIF (Wortman Holdings)*

   D. *Approve Ordinance 659-19; Authorizing Execution of an Economic Incentive Agreement with Wortman Holdings*

   E. *Approve Payment to Milano & Grunloh Design Engineering $29,497.74, West Division Street Project.*

   F. *Approve Letter of Understanding with IDOT; Rt 128 Improvements.*

   G. *Adjourn.*

POSTED: April 05, 2019- 4:00 pm.

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SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
April 08, 2019

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on April 08, 2019, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Jason Rippetoe; Commissioner Richard Frailey; Commissioner Dan Milleville; Commissioner Todd Slingerland; Commissioner Jason Williams. Also present – Alan Heiens, Altamont Police Chief; Shelby Niehaus, Altamont News; Clarence Pagel; Nick Burrus; Mike Walker; Charles Mills, Effingham Daily News; Brad Miller and 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 March 2019 Police Activity Report.

Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh, reported plans of the Division Street project have been reviewed by IDOT and returned for sidewalk modifications.

Commissioner Slingerland motioned to approve appointment of Matt Ramsey to the Tourism Board. Commissioner Frailey seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Ordinance AM-1556; Rezoning of 109 West Division Street from B-2 to SR-2 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.

Ordinance 658-19 Authorizing Execution of Contract for Private Development Pursuant to TIF (Wortman Holdings) was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, no; Commissioner Frailey, abstained; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. The agreement provides a 50% rebate of real estate taxes for a 10 year term or until reimbursement total $250,000.

Ordinance 659-19 Authorizing Execution of Economic Incentive Agreement with Wortman Holdings was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, no; Commissioner Frailey, abstained; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. The agreement provides rebating of the 1% sales tax created by the Business District. The rebate of fuel sales will continue with the City retaining 1% of the fuel sales tax and adds a full rebate of the 1% sales tax on sales other than fuel for the term of 20 years. Rebates shall not exceed a total of $1,000,000.

Payment to Milano & Grunloh in the amount of $29,497.74 for design engineering of West Division Street was approved on a motion by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner Slingerland. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Frailey, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Council approved a Letter of Understanding with IDOT regarding Rt 128 Improvements. 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. IDOT will construct and pay the cost of necessary improvements to the Rt 128 shoulder. The City of Altamont will maintain the shoulder thereafter. Work is scheduled for the year 2020.

Clarence Pagel requested the Council contact the owners of the former Bean Development Mobile Home Park to clean up railroad ties and tires left on the property after removal of the mobile homes. He requested help from the City to get the school to mow along the ditch adjacent to the FFA land.

Brad Miller stated rock is needed in the alley between John Adams & Elm from his garage to the railroad. He is willing to purchase the rock. However, a utility pole will restrict a large rock spread truck from entering the alley. He asked if the City would spread the rock.

Commissioner Slingerland reported the water line replacement along Rt 40 is continuing. Sonification units are back on the reservoir.

Commissioner Frailey had nothing to report.

Commissioner Williams reported S&K Construction completed replacement of a section of the concrete street at Washington & Third, including ADA sidewalk improvements.

Commissioner Milleville reported location placement of benches and the Little Library at Schmidt Park has been established. Union Cemetery cleanup will be April 13th.

Mayor Rippetoe reported the Enterprise Zone renewal application is continuing.

The meeting was adjourned 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.

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Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
April 22, 2019 - 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 AM-1558; Rezoning of 209 West Washington Ave, 211 West Washington Ave, 212 West Washington Ave & 105 North Fourth St from B-2 to SR-2.*

   B. *Approve Ordinance SP-1554; Allowing Dwelling Units Above 1st Story in B-2 Zoned District; 14 North Second Street.*

   C. *Approve Ordinance VA-1555; Reducing Off-Street Parking Requirements; 14 North Second Street.*

   D. *Approve Ordinance 660-19; Adopting Annexation Agreement; Schultz Property.*

   E. *Approve Ordinance AM-1559; Rezoning Newly Annexed Property from SR-1 to B-3.*

   F.

   G. *Adjourn.*

POSTED: April 18, 2019- 4:00 pm.

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SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
April 22, 2019

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on April 22, 2019, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Jason Rippetoe; Commissioner Dan Milleville; Commissioner Todd Slingerland; Commissioner Jason Williams. Also present – Tayler Polk; Shelby Niehaus, Altamont News; Clarence Pagel; Mike Walker; Charles Mills, Effingham Daily News; and 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 Milleville. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. (Attachment 1)

Ordinance AM-1558; Rezoning of Rezoning of 209 West Washington Ave, 211 West Washington Ave, 212 West Washington Ave & 105 North Fourth St from B-2 to SR-2, was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Milleville. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. The properties were originally zoned commercial in concurrence with a business within the City block.

Ordinance SP-1554; Allowing Dwelling Units Above 1st Story in B-2 Zoned District; 14 North Second Street was approved on a motion by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner Slingerland. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Ordinance VA-1555; Reducing Off-Street Parking Requirements; 14 North Second Street was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Milleville. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. The variance reduces the off-street parking requirement from 10 spaces to six spaces.

Ordinance 660-19; Adopting Annexation Agreement; Schultz Property was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Williams. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. The property is located south of I-70 and west of 300th.

Ordinance AM-1559; Rezoning Newly Annexed Property from SR-1 to B-3 was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Milleville. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Williams, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Shelby Niehaus expressed her concerns of a neighbor conducting a controlled burn with items other than firewood.

Charles Pagel requested the City have the gas company plug gas lines at the former Bean Development mobile home park property, that railroad ties, concrete and branches be cleaned up, and the property be mowed. In follow up to a previous meeting, he asked if the Altamont FFA had been contacted regarding mowing of the ditch around the FFA plot.

Commissioner Slingerland reported the new water Rt 40 water line has passed water testing.

Commissioner Williams and Commissioner Milleville had nothing to report.

Mayor Rippetoe reported the Village of Beecher City approved joining Altamont in the Enterprise Zone application.

Clerk Stephen presented an engraved mantle clock to departing Commissioner Williams in appreciation for his years on the City Council. Commissioner Williams served 12 years as Commissioner over Electric, Park/Cemetery and Street & Alley. Commissioner Frailey also will receive a mantle clock for serving 12 years as Electric Department Commissioner.

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

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Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
May 13, 2019 - 6:00 p.m.

Agenda

1. OFFICIAL OATH OF MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS

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

3. POLICE REPORT

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

5. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

6. COMMUNICATIONS

7. AGENDA ITEMS

   A. *Designation of Commissioners Departments:*
      Commissioner of Accounts & Finances
      Commissioner of Public Health & Safety
      Commissioner of Public Property
      Commissioner of Streets & Public Improvements

   B. *Approve Ordinance 661-19; Appointment Ordinance*

   C. *Approve Ordinance 662-19; Legal Appointment Ordinance*

   D. *Approve Masonic Lodge Request to Conduct Memorial Day Parade May 27, 2019 at 10:00 am.*

E. *Approve Request by American Legion Post 512 to Perform Controlled Burn Disposing of Unserviceable Flags, Lion's Club Addition of Schmidt Park, June 14th, 6:00 pm.*

F. *Discuss Relocation of Schmidt Park Restroom Drain.*

G. *Adjourn.*

POSTED: May 10, 2019- 4:00 pm.

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SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
May 13, 2019

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on May 13, 2019, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Jason Rippetoe; Commissioner Dan Milleville; Commissioner Todd Slingerland; Commissioner Tayler Polk; Commissioner Mike Walker. Also present –Larry Taylor; Alan Heiens, Altamont Police Chief; Shelby Niehaus, Altamont News; Clarence Pagel; Charles Mills, Effingham Daily News; Terry Hahn, Sewer Dept. Supr and City Clerk Sarah Stephen.

City Clerk, Sarah Stephen, delivered the official oath of office to City Commissioners and Mayor, Jason Rippetoe.

Mayor Rippetoe seated commissioners as follows:

Commissioner of Accounts & Finances – Dan Milleville
Commissioner of Public Health & Safety – Michael Walker
Commissioner of Public Property – Todd Slingerland
Commissioner of Streets & Public Improvements – Tayler Polk

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

Chief Heiens presented the April 2019 Police Activity Report.

Ordinance 661-19; Appointment Ordinance was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Milleville. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. Positions remain unchanged.

Ordinance 662-19; Legal Appointment Ordinance was approved on a motion by Commissioner Walker and seconded by Commissioner Milleville. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. Taylor Law Office is retained for legal counsel.

Commissioner Slingerland motioned to approve the Masonic Lodge request to Conduct a Memorial Day Parade May 27, 2019 at 10:00 am. Commissioner Polk seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Commissioner Slingerland motioned to approve a request by American Legion Post 512 to Perform a Controlled Burn Retiring Unserviceable Flags to be held at the Lion's Club Addition of Schmidt Park, June 14, 2019 at 6:00 pm. Commissioner Walker seconded the motion. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Council discussed relocation of the Schmidt Park restroom sewer drain in order to disconnect it from the Dairy Bar private lateral. Terry Hahn suggested the sewer main connection be made at Oak Street rather than Wurl Lane as indicated in the original plans. He stated the manhole at Wurl Lane is brick lined and it would be safer to not tap into the brick. He also requested a pipe larger than 2" be installed to allow use of the jetter machine for cleanout. An estimate of $5500 has been received from R&H Plumbing & Heating.

Commissioner Slingerland reported VFW member officers have expressed frustration over an R&H billing received for water line abandonment. The City reconnected the VFW service as a result of the Rt 40 water line relocation. They line abandonment will eliminate a second minimum monthly water & sewer charge for the VFW. Commissioners each expressed they did not feel any City responsibility for the costs of the private line.

Commissioner Walker had nothing to report.

Commissioner Milleville reported vandalism of two newly planted trees in Klitzing Park. The trees will undoubtedly not survive. New soap dispensers, hand dryers and five new grills at Schmidt Park have been installed.

Commissioner Polk had nothing to report.

Larry Taylor reported IMEA has reached an agreement with Sol Systems for installation of the solar unit.

Clarence Pagel asked again about removal of the exposed gas meters along Jackson Street in the former Bean Development Mobile Home Park. His considers it a safety hazard.

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

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Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
May 28, 2019 - 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 Street Closing for Summerfest Car Show, June 15, 2019.*

   B. *Terri Beal – Downtown Christmas.*

   C. *Approve Ordinance 663-19; Authorizing Issuance of General Obligation Bonds Series 2019B Not to Exceed $300,000 for the Purpose of Refinancing Existing Bonds (Electric)*

   D. *Approve Ordinance 664-19; Authorizing Issuance of General Obligation Bonds Series 2019A Not to Exceed $1,100,000 for the Purpose of Refinancing Existing Bonds (Water)*

   E. *Approve Ordinance 665-19; Authorizing Execution of Contract for Private Development Pursuant to the City of Altamont TIF Area; Steve & Michelle Beck.*

   F.

   G. *Adjourn.*

POSTED: May 24, 2019- 4:00 pm.

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SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
May 28, 2019

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on May 28, 2019, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Jason Rippetoe; Commissioner Dan Milleville; Commissioner Tayler Polk; Commissioner Mike Walker. Also present –Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh; Shelby Niehaus, Altamont News; Clarence Pagel; Charles Mills, Effingham Daily News; Terry Hahn, Sewer Dept. Supr; Alvin Oliver; Terri Beal and 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 Milleville and seconded by Commissioner Polk. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. (Attachment 1)

Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh, reported a reduced DCEO project area has been selected for the sanitary sewer grant application. 45% of surveys were received, 19 more are needed. The bid opening for West Division Street project is set for 11:30 June 4, 2019.

Joey Stewart addressed the Council regarding a Downtown Summerfest being planned for June 14, 2019. He requested street closings, explained planned activities and mentioned partricipating businesses. Commissioner Milleville motioned to approve the street closing request. Commissioner Walker seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Terri Beal informed the Council of plans for the November 15 & 16, 2019 Downtown Christmas event, sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce. Plans are being finalized to contract a synthetic ice rink. Accommodating locations near the triangle were discussed.

Ordinance 663-19; Authorizing Issuance of General Obligation Bonds Series 2019B Not to Exceed $300,000 for the Purpose of Refinancing Existing Bonds (Electric) was approved on a motion by Commissioner Walker and seconded by Commissioner Polk. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Ordinance 664-19; Authorizing Issuance of General Obligation Bonds Series 2019A Not to Exceed $1,100,000 for the Purpose of Refinancing Existing Bonds (Water) was approved on a motion by Commissioner Walker and seconded by Commissioner Milleville. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Ordinance 665-19; Authorizing Execution of Contract for Private Development to the City of Altamont TIF Area; Steve & Michelle Beck was approved on a motion by Commissioner Polk and seconded by Commissioner Milleville. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. Ordinance provides a 50% refund of real estate taxes paid into the TIF District for 10 years.

Commissioner Walker reported the Willard & Dona Strullmyer solar unit is installed. An additional residential application for installation of a solar unit has been received. Colton Woolsey has accepted employment with Ameren.

Commissioner Milleville reported vandalism at Schmidt & Heritage Park restrooms. The restrooms at Heritage Park will be closed until further notice. Milleville thanked Carol Tillman for her efforts in beautifying the Union Cemetery Veterans Memorial area.

Commissioner Polk had nothing to report.

Mayor Rippetoe reported he has contacted contractors regarding demolition of 1107 North Main to ensure protection of the Main Street surface.

Clerk Stephen reported notification was received from Illinois Municipal League Risk Management that no insurance premium increases would occur in the next year. For fiscal year ending 2019 audit the State is mandating an actuary study of employee benefits. An actuary company had been contacted. The annual cost will be $3000.

Clarence Pagel asked the Council for progress of gas meter removal at the former mobile home park. Clerk Stephen explained she had spoken to a Liberty Utilities worker who explained only the property owner could make such a request. Pagel stated the alley south of his residence stands in water and it is possible the culvert is blocked.

Shelby Niehaus informed the Council someone had expressed disappointment to the Altamont News regarding the limited mowing done for Memorial Day. Commissioner Milleville explained due to the wet conditions limited mowing was the better alternative to creating ruts.

Alvin Oliver request the sweet gum tree at his residence be removed, the heaved sidewalk be repaired, removal of remain root from previous tree removal, dirt filling in the southwest corner of his property near the electric pedestal.

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

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
June 10, 2019 - 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 Purchase of Police Department In Car Cameras in the Amount of $5050.00; Grant Reimbursable.*

   B. *Approve Resolution 2019-06-04; Awarding Bid to Kieffer Bros Construction in the Amount of $687,716.66 for West Division Street Project.*

   C. *Larry Taylor – Update of IMEA Solar Unit Installation.*

   D. *Approve Ordinance 666-19; Granting Easement to IMEA for Solar Location.*

   E. *Approve Bid Advertisement for Chipper.*

   F. *Approve Connection of a Residential Solar Unit Exceeding the 10kw Capacity Limit.*

   G. *Adjourn.*

POSTED: June 07, 2019- 4:00 pm.

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SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
June 10, 2019

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on June 10, 2019, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Jason Rippetoe; Commissioner Dan Milleville; Commissioner Tayler Polk;. Also present –Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh; Shelby Niehaus, Altamont News; Larry Taylor; Clarence Pagel; Charles Mills, Effingham Daily News; Bryan Seidel, Electric Dept. Supr; Alan Heiens, Altamont Police Chief; Dallas & Jennie Kendall; Roy Long; Lloyd Wendling; Joey Stewart and City Clerk Sarah Stephen. Commissioners Todd Slingerland & Mike Walker were absent.

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

Alan Heiens, Police Chief, presented the May 2019 Police Activity Report.

Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh, reported the West Division Street Project bid opening resulted in a bid much lower than estimated. Kieffer Construction of Mt Carmel was the low bidder. Estimated start date is July 08, 2019. Letters will be sent to affected landowners. DCEO grant income surveys are being compiled.

Council approved Purchase of Police Department In-Car Cameras in the amount of $5050.00. Commissioner Polk motioned for approval. Commissioner Milleville seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. The cost of the two cameras is grant refundable.

Resolution 2019-06-04 Awarding Bid to Kieffer Bros Construction in the amount of $687,716.66 for West Division Street Project was approved on a motion by Commissioner Milleville. Commissioner Polk seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Larry Taylor updated Council on the IMEA solar installation. Rich Baltimore of Sol, IMEA representatives, Larry Taylor and City employees met to discuss a timeline and inspect the location. Sol did not require any trees to be removed. An easement and siting agreement need to be processed by the City. Start up for the solar units is anticipated in the fall of 2019. Larry Taylor also provided the Council with a listing of USDA grant programs available. He stated the squad car program has been very successful for communities.

Ordinance 666-19 Granting Easement to IMEA for Solar Location was approved on a motion by Commissioner Polk. Commissioner Milleville seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Bid advertising for a brush chipper was approved by Commissioner Polk and seconded by Commissioner Milleville. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Bryan Seidel, Electric Dept Supr, explained an application for installation of a 30kw residential solar unit has been received. City ordinance regulates residential solar to a maximum 10kw unless City provides exception. He stated there is a total maximum kw solar connection to the City electric system. The larger unit would limit connection by others. He recommended adhering to the ordinance. Commissioner Milleville motioned to deny exceeding 10kw capacity limit. Commissioner Polk seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Dallas Kendall addressed the Council concerning recent flooding at their residence. He stated the flooding signs at West Jefferson were in place, but motorists ignored them. He requested the drain south of their residence be cleaned. He asked if the City had made progress with the railroad to increase culvert size to help move water. Mayor Rippetoe explained the expensive installation of a larger railroad culvert, the complications of obtaining railroad approval and the lengthy process. Mr. Kendall asked if any sidewalk replacements were planned for this year.

Roy Long explained to Council Mr. Kendall has addressed a 40 year old problem. He also inquired if a solution had been discovered. He requested rock at the end of an alley.

Joey Stewart reported the plans for Summerfest are progressing well. At this time 16 outside vendors have expressed interest.

Clarence Pagel asked if his alley had been inspected, he stated when it rains water almost runs under his house and the high school has not been mowing the Jackson Street ditch. Mayor Rippetoe stated he would get a visual of the drainage and he would contact the high school.

Commissioner Milleville had nothing to report.

Commissioner Polk reported a chipper is being demonstrated allowing for removal of some dead ash trees.

Mayor Rippetoe had nothing to report.

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

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Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
June 24, 2019 - 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 Bid for Purchase of Brush Chipper.*

   B. *Approve Resolution for 2019 Maintenance of Streets.*

   C. *Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Personnel Matter 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (1).*

   D. *Action as Result of Executive Session.*

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   G. *Adjourn.*

POSTED: June 21, 2019- 4:00 pm.

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SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
June 24, 2019

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on June 24, 2019, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Jason Rippetoe; Commissioner Dan Milleville; Commissioner Todd Slingerland; Commissioner Mike Walker and Commissioner Tayler Polk. Also present –Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh; Shelby Niehaus, Altamont News; Clarence Pagel; Charles Mills, Effingham Daily News; Terry Hahn, Sewer Dept. Supr; Mark Workman; Fred Richter; Jane Tappendorf; April Zacha and City Clerk Sarah Stephen.

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

Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh, reported the West Division Street Project is anticipated to begin July 08, 2019 weather permitting. He provided a map indicating the target area for sewer line improvements of the grant application. 77% responded to the income surveys. Surveys can be used for a phase 1 & phase 2 grant cycles.

Council approved the purchase of a brush chipper from Fabick in the amount of $34,950.00. Commissioner Polk motioned for approval. Commissioner Walker seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. The cost of the two cameras is grant refundable.

Council approved a resolution for 2019 Maintenance of Streets on a motion by Commissioner Polk. Commissioner Milleville seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Mark Workman questioned the gaming establishment license regulations. He stated in gaming rooms facilities he has visited in other communities are only gaming stations and not a bar. Mayor Rippetoe explained income regulations of that specific liquor license and the City's rights to review those records.

Jane Tappendorf provided pictures of deterioration in West John Adams Street, a stump needing ground, and dead Ash trees needing removed. Mayor Rippetoe indicated next year the street could have durapatch applied and be oiled.

Clarence Pagel asked why the street sweeper couldn't be used. Mayor Rippetoe explained manpower was an issue; dying trees and drainage are taking priority. Pagel also asked why neighbors were not notified of a recent gas leak situation. Council was not aware of the occurrence.

Commissioner Slingerland reported a recent IEPA inspection of the water treatment plant resulted in minimal items to correct. City has 45 days to comply. A large culvert will soon be replaced at the south waste water treatment plant. Over 40 applications have been received for the water department position.

Commissioner Walker reported the Electric Department has been assisting the Street Department with tree removal. The generation facility passed certification. Eleven applications have been received for the electric department position.

Commissioner Milleville reported he attended the Newly Elected Official Workshop – time well spent. Updates are planned for the sign at Nori's Yard and improvements to the Schmidt Park entrance.

Commissioner Polk reported damaged trees have been removed.

Mayor reported he has been in contact with the contractor for the downtown demolition.

Council entered into Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Personnel Matter 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (1) on a motion by Commissioner Milleville and seconded by Commissioner Walker. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Upon returning to open session, Commissioner Slingerland motioned to approve a 2% wage increase for all non-union employees. Commissioner Milleville seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Commissioner Milleville motioned to approve advertising for a sixth full time police officer. Commissioner Walker seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

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

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Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
July 08, 2019 - 6:00 p.m.

<u>Agenda</u>

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

2. POLICE REPORT

3. ENGINEER REPORT

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

5. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

6. COMMUNICATIONS

7. AGENDA ITEMS

   A. *Approve Sponsorship of Effingham County CEO Program.*

   B. *Approve Ordinance 667-19; Adopting Section 40-5-16 to the Municipal Code – Zoning Regulations Solar Energy Systems.*

   C. *Approve Resolution 2019-07-05; Effingham County Fair Parade, July 28, 2019; Rain Date August 3, 2019.*

   D. *Present Appropriation FYE 2020.*

   E. *Approve Street Closing Request – 1st United Methodist Church, August 18, 2019.*

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   G. *Adjourn.*

POSTED: July 05, 2019- 4:00 pm.

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SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
July 08, 2019

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on July 08, 2019, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Commissioner Dan Milleville; Commissioner Todd Slingerland; Commissioner Mike Walker and Commissioner Tayler Polk. Also present –Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh; Shelby Niehaus, Altamont News; Clarence Pagel; Lloyd Wendling, Water Dept; Alan Heiens, Altamont Police Chief; April Luchtefeld; Kris Denton; Torrey Denton and City Clerk Sarah Stephen. Mayor Jason Rippetoe was absent. Commissioner Milleville, Mayor Pro-Tem conducted the meeting.

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 Walker. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Commissioner Milleville, yes. (Attachment 1)

Chief Alan Heiens presented the June 2019 Police Activity Report.

Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh, reported the West Division Street Project is anticipated to begin July 15, 2019 weather permitting. The preconstruction meeting is scheduled for July 10th at 8:00 am. A public hearing will be held in August regarding funding for the proposed sewer line project.

Clarence Pagel stated the gas meters at the former Bean Development Mobile Home Park have been removed. He requested a culvert replacement & dirt to improve draining in the alley.

Torrey Denton addressed the Council concerning the fourth backup of sewer into his basement. He stated his sewer line is new and not the problem, that the problem is the sewer main. He is demanding a lift be installed at his residence at the City's expense. If the City does not agree, he will seek legal counsel and contact IEPA. He stated neighbors did not have backup issues as they all had lift stations. He went on to state during the last occurrence, Terry Hahn, Water Dept Supr, checked the sewer main and it was clear. Commissioner Slingerland stated responsibility fell on the original contractor; however the home would have been built to code of that era. Commissioner Slingerland requested Denton provide two quotes for lift station install and the matter be tabled until the next meeting.

Council approved Sponsorship of the Effingham County CEO Program for three years, with a total contribution of $3,000. Commissioner Slingerland motioned for approval. Commissioner Walker seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Commissioner Milleville, yes.

Ordinance 667-19; Adopting Section 40-5-16 to the Municipal Code regarding Zoning Regulations for Solar Systems was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland. Motion seconded by Commissioner Walker. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Commissioner Milleville, yes.

Resolution 2019-07-05; Effingham County Fair Parade, July 28, 2019 with Rain Date August 3, 2019 was approved on a motion by Commissioner Walker and seconded by Commissioner Polk. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Commissioner Milleville, yes.

The estimated fiscal year ending appropriation was announced totaling $6,981,631.

Council approved a street closing request of the 1st United Methodist Church, August 18, 2019 on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland. Motion seconded by Commissioner Polk. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Commissioner Milleville, yes.

Commissioner Slingerland reported he visited with Water Department employees. Vaughn Voelker, Water Dept Supr, requested a top priority repair be the dam valve with pump replacements as second priority. The water tower painting project will begin Friday. City employees will be working additional hours to monitor water pressure fluctuations.

Commissioner Walker reported the Electric Department has removed the street light at Division & Third in preparation for the Division Street Resurfacing. He is reviewing employment applications.

Commissioner Polk reported Street Dept is trying to catch up after wet weather delays.

Commissioner Milleville reported the Heritage Park restrooms as now open. The free library and benches for Schmidt Park have arrived. Gilbert Park Diamond B has developed a water retention issue since construction of the new senior living apartments. Developers of the apartments have agreed to install a French drain and a warning track to correct the drainage.

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

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
July 22, 2019 - 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 Special Event Liquor License Request by Altamont Schuetzenfest for IL Men's State Wooden Bat Fastpitch Tournament, Gilbert Park, August 2 -4, 2019*

   B. *Approve Special Event Liquor License for Wright Mansion Wine Tasting Event to be Held September 21, 2019.*

   C. *Approve Ordinance 668-19; FYE 2020 Appropriation*

   D. *Approve Ordinance SP-1573; Home Occupation, 401 South Tenth Street.*

   E. *Approve Ordinance VA-1574; Side Yard Setback, 1204 South Main Street.*

   F. *Approve City Providing Repair to Sewer Service 15 Lincoln Drive.*

   G. *Discuss Changes to Golf Cart Ordinance.*

   H. *Adjourn.*

POSTED: July 19, 2019- 4:00 pm.

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SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
July 22, 2019

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on July 22, 2019, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Jason Rippetoe; Commissioner Dan Milleville; Commissioner Todd Slingerland; Commissioner Mike Walker and Commissioner Tayler Polk. Also present –Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh; Shelby Niehaus, Altamont News; Clarence Pagel; Art & Judy Trost; Ted & Stella Myers; Brenda McDonald; Judy Pilger; Charles Mills, Effingham Daily News; Mark Workman and 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 Walker. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. (Attachment 1)

Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh, reported sanitary sewer project plans have been submitted to EPA. South Central Regional Planning & Development are working on grant documents. Division Street project has started. Road closure will continue until completion.

Clarence Pagel asked about ash tree removal, as there are two on a neighboring property. He offered to cut up trees if the City would get them down. Mayor Rippetoe explained there are over 200 ash trees. Removal is being prioritized according to the damage.

Mark Workman questioned if Jack Flash was obtaining a liquor license. Mayor Rippetoe stated he was not fully aware of the business plan.

Council approved a Special Event Liquor License Request by Altamont Schuetzenfest for IL Men’s State Wooden Bat Fastpitch Tournament, Gilbert Park, August 2 -4, 2019. Commissioner Slingerland motioned for approval. Commissioner Walker seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Council approved Special Event Liquor License for Wright Mansion Wine Tasting Event to be Held September 21, 2019 on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland. Motion seconded by Commissioner Walker. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Ordinance 668-19; FYE 2020 Appropriation was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Milleville. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. The appropriation totaled $6,981,631.

July Pilger, Brenda McDonald, Stella Myers and Art Trost explained their reasons opposing a home occupation request at 401 South Tenth Street.

Ordinance SP-1573 denying a Home Occupation at 401 South Tenth Street was approved by Council on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Milliville. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Ordinance VA-1574, Side Yard Setback, 1204 South Main Street was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Walker. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. Ordinance allows a primary setback on the southwest property line.

Council discussed a request made at the prior meeting for the City to install a residential sewer lift at 15 Lincoln Drive. Commissioner Slingerland read the Municipal Code regarding private sewer connections. Mayor Rippetoe stated approval would set a future precedence. Commissioner Slingerland motioned to not provide repair service to that sewer service. Commissioner Polk seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

City Clerk Sarah Stephen provided Council with the existing golf cart ordinance and a map indicating the approved golf cart route. She explained individuals have requested a highway crossing and to extend operation hours past dusk. IDOT was contacted for updated information. Obtained IDOT revised golf cart highway crossing rules provide for approval in areas where the highway speed is 35 mph or less and IDOT deems the location safe. This opens possiblities to limited crossings on Rt 40, but none on 128/Main Street. Mayor Rippetoe stated operation after dark becomes a safety issue, as carts cannot be seen or heard. However, he saw the crossings beneficial. Commissioner Milleville also understood the crossings to be helpful. Commissioner Polk didn’t see any harm to operate after dark. IDOT will be contacted again and an ordinance will be prepared for future presentation.

Commissioner Slingerland reported the water tower blasting is complete, painting progress should soon be visible.

Commissioner Walker reported the Electric Department has removed trimmed alley limbs between north 8th & 9th streets. Replaced street lights and assisted with water tower cabling. The City is searching for an Electric Department vehicle replacement.

Commissioners Milleville and Polk and Mayor Rippetoe had nothing to report.

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

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
August 12, 2019 - 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. *Discuss Change to Liquor Control Ordinance.*

   B. *Approve Appointment of Julie Ohnesorge to Altamont Library Board.*

   C. *Discuss Regulations Concerning Sales of Recreational Marijuana.*

   D. *Approve Second Payment to Illinois Municipal League Risk Management, Insurance Coverage in the Amount of $52,666.00*

   E. *Approve Purchase of 2013 Ford F150 Truck, from Pruemer Auto Exchange, in the Amount of $8,995.00,*

   F.

   G. *Adjourn.*

POSTED: August 09, 2019- 4:00 pm.

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SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
August 12, 2019

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on August 12, 2019, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Jason Rippetoe; Commissioner Todd Slingerland; Commissioner Mike Walker and Commissioner Tayler Polk. Also present –Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh; Alan Heiens, Police Chief; Mimi Mays; Shelby Niehaus, Altamont News; Clarence Pagel; Charles Mills, Effingham Daily News; Jane Tappendorf; Torrey Denton; April Luchtefeld; Marc Lock; Bruce Kessler and City Clerk Sarah Stephen. Commissioner Dan Milleville 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 Walker. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. (Attachment 1)

Chief Heiens presented the July 2019 Police Activity Report. He stated Jason Caraway and Jonathon Torbeck have been hired as full time officers.

Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh, reported the storm sewer has been installed from Third St to Main of the Division Street project. Prepping for curb and concrete work has begun. The project is on schedule.

Jane Tappendorf requested stump removal in front of her property in preparation of new tree planting. Mayor Rippetoe explained, not all removed trees will be replaced.

Torrey Denton again requested a resolution to the basement sewer backups that have occurred at his residence. Mayor Rippetoe explained the Council voted at a previous meeting to not provide assistance for installation of a sewer lift and the Council stands on the vote. Commissioner Slingerland stated no other customers in the area have reported problems and the City could not afford to fix all problem laterals. Mr. Denton explained the City owns the sewer line and therefore is responsible for repairs to correct the problem.

Council discussed changing the liquor license ordinance to prohibit those under the age of 21 to enter a premise holding a Class A-1 liquor license. Class A-1 is issued to Video Gaming Entertainment Facility's. Council members were in favor of the change. A future ordinance will be presented for approval.

Council approved appointment of Julie Ohnesorge to the Altamont Community Library Board on a motion by Commissioner Walker. Commissioner Polk seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Commissioner Slingerland presented concepts for regulating the sale of recreational marijuana within the City. He stated final rulings are still pending in Springfield. However, he would like to see Altamont restrict such sales or maximize sales tax and application fees.

A second payment to Illinois Municipal League Risk Management for insurance coverage in the amount of $52,666.00 was approved. Commissioner Polk motioned for approval. Commissioner Walker seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Council approved the purchase of a 2013 Ford F150 truck from Pruemer Auto Exchange in the amount of $8,995.00. Commissioner Slingerland motioned for approval. Commissioner Walker seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. The truck would be replacement of a Jeep Cherokee.

Commissioner Slingerland reported the water tower painting was completed prior to the deadline with no water quality issues. The water department algae control system will be repaired under warranty. It appears to be controlling algae without the assistance of chemicals.

Commissioner Walker reported the Electric Department has hired a lineman replacement. Gilbert Park ball diamond lights were repaired.

Commissioner Polk reported grading and drainage work was completed on West Monroe Street. Tree trimming continues. A used landscape rake has been purchased for $4,500 a budget savings of $4000 - $5000 over the cost of a new rake.

Mayor Rippetoe reported Police Department overtime should decrease with hiring of new full time officers. He met with owner of the former lock plant regarding demolition plans. The owner has items to remove from the building before demolition begins

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

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Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

CITY OF ALTAMONT
PUBLIC HEARING
August 26, 2019 – 5:30 p.m.
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS

Community Development Block Grant from
Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity
Sewer Replacement Project

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
August 26, 2019 - 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 Resolution 2019-08-06; Resolution of Support Community Development Block Grant Application for Sewer Line Replacement.*

   B. *Approve Roadside Fundraiser Request, Lions Club Candy Day, September 7, 2019.*

   C. *Approve Roadside Fundraiser Request, Effingham Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive, September 20th & 21st, 2019.*

   D. *Approve Payment in the Amount of $93, 800 to Neumann Company Contractors for Water Tower Painting.*

E. *Approve West Division Street Project Pay Estimate #1 to Kieffer Bros Construction in the Amount of $140,854.95.*

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G. *Adjourn.*

POSTED: August 22, 2019- 4:00 pm.

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SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
August 26, 2019

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on August 26, 2019, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Jason Rippetoe; Commissioner Dan Milleville; Commissioner Todd Slingerland; Commissioner Mike Walker and Commissioner Tayler Polk. Also present –Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh; Mimi Mays; Shelby Niehaus, Altamont News; Clarence Pagel; Charles Mills, Effingham Daily News; Mark Workman; Jason Mislich; Lloyd Wendling; Ken Ginn and 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 Walker. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. (Attachment 1)

Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh, reported DCEO grant application for sanitary sewer replacement is due Thursday. Award announcements are expected in January 2020. The West Division Street project is progressing on schedule, curb and gutter will be poured this week.

Carol Clarkson requested the City Council relax the parking regulations for a business relocation in the downtown area. She expressed concerns of businesses growth and departure from the City and felt the Council should do everything in their power to help businesses grow. The concerns originated from a recent ruling requiring parking spaces for a business relocating to 14 North Second Street and adding apartments above a restaurant. Commissioner Slingerland stated the Council needs to plan parking for future businesses opening in the area. Mayor Rippetoe stated he would meet with owners of the restaurant to discuss their business plan.

Mark Workman stated his bartenders have been getting pulled over when leaving work at closing time. He wanted the situation explained to the Altamont Police Department.

Mimi Mays requested the time limit for golf cart usage be extended to 10:00 pm, rather than dusk. Mayor Rippetoe stated IDOT would be consulted about their time limitations.

Jason Mislich provided pictures of the west side of the McDonald's privacy fence and asked for it to be cleaned up. He also requested the fence be replaced to code eliminating headlights shining on their property. He provided pictures of the parking lot between McDonald's & Jack Flash, requesting the trash be cleaned up. He expressed concerns about the Jack Flash rebuild project and emphasized the need for a 10 foot solid privacy fence. Adjacent residences want to retain their privacy.

Council approved Resolution 2019-08-06; Supporting Community Development Block Grant Application for Sewer Line Replacement. Commissioner Slingerland motioned for approval. Commissioner Milleville seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Council approved a Roadside Fundraiser Request for Lions Club Candy Day, September 7, 2019. Commissioner Walker motioned for approval. Commissioner Slingerland seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Council approved a Roadside Fundraiser Request for Effingham Nights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive, September 20th & 21st, 2019. Commissioner Polk motioned for approval. Commissioner Milleville seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Commissioner Slingerland motioned to approve payment to Newmann Company Contractors for Water Tower Painting in the amount of $93,800. Commissioner Walker seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. Project was $1,000 under bid.

Commissioner Polk motioned to approve Pay Request #1 to Kieffer Bros Construction in the amount of $140,854.95 – West Division Street project. Commissioner Milleville seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Commissioner Slingerland reported the algae control units are working. Raw pump repair is being researched. Water Department continues searching for a new employee. The south wastewater treatment plant has many weeds growing between the pond covers. A process for weed elimination is being sought.

Commissioner Walker reported the Electric Department is continuing employment interviews, as the previous individual chose to continue his education.

Commissioner Milleville reported a new sign was placed at Nori's Yard.

Commissioner Polk reported a water main extension was installed in the south water service area. A note of appreciation was conveyed for work of the Street Department during a tree removal.

Mayor Rippetoe had nothing to report.

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

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Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
September 09, 2019 - 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. *Clifton, Larson & Allen - Presentation of FYE 2019 Audit.*

   B. *Approve Resolution 2019-09-07; Authorizing Execution of Interconnection Agreement Between City and Sol Systems.*

   C. *Approve Liquor License Issuance at 600 South Main Street, Following Completion of Proper Application Process.*

   D. *Approve Resolution 2019-09-08; Authorizing Execution of Waterway Clearing Agreement Between City, Kull Family Farms and Lynn Kull.*

   E. *Approve Purchase of 750 KVA Transformer for use at Solar Generation Site in the Amount of $16,445.00.*

   F. *Discuss Regulations Concerning Recreational Marijuana Dispensary.*

   G. *Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Purchase or Lease of Property 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (5).*

   H. *Adjourn.*

POSTED: September 06, 2019- 4:00 pm.

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SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
September 09, 2019

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on September 09, 2019, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Jason Rippetoe; Commissioner Todd Slingerland; Commissioner Mike Walker and Commissioner Tayler Polk. Commissioner Dan Milleville was absent. Also present –Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh; Alan Heiens, Altamont Police Chief; Mimi Mays; Shelby Niehaus, Altamont News; Clarence Pagel; Charles Mills, Effingham Daily News; Sandy Perry, Clifton Larson; Pam Dammerman; Dallas & Jennie Kendall; Tiffany & Luke Wasson; Ken Ginn; Bernadine Blakely; Susan Braasch; Carol Clarkson; Alvin, Deb & Kevin Schultz; Alvin Oliver; Lucas Lilly; Lynn Kull; Trenton Kull and 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 Walker. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. (Attachment 1)

Police Chief Alan Heiens presented the August 2019 Police Activity Report.

Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh, reported DCEO grant application was submitted. 42 applications were received by DCEO with $15 million to be awarded. The West Division Street project is progressing on schedule, the of majority curb and gutter installation is complete. Rain day extension may be requested when nearing the September 27th deadline.

Commissioner Polk entered the meeting at this time.

Clarence Pagel reported the former Mobile Home park property has tall grass.

Carol Clarkson asked if the City Council had any new thoughts regarding downtown parking restrictions following her comments at the last meeting. Mayor Rippetoe stated he would like to meet with the prospective buyers of the Clarkson building to discuss their business plan.

Sandy Perry, Clifton Larson Allan, presented the FYE 2019 audit report.

Resolution 2019-09-07; Authorizing Execution of Interconnection Agreement Between City and Sol Systems was approved on a motion by Commissioner Walker and seconded by Commissioner Slingerland. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. The agreement regards the solar generation site.

Mayor Rippetoe opened the floor for public comment on the agenda item of Approving Liquor License Issuance at 600 South Main Street, Following Completion of Proper Application Process. Alvin Oliver expressed concerns of the danger of alcohol influenced drivers backing onto Rt 128. He felt the liquor was unnecessary at the park, but is not against a business in the location. Bernadine Blakely stated she is favorable to the new business, but no the sale of alcohol in the City park. She has spoken to many who feel the same way. Kevin Schultz stated it is not the intent of the new owner for the business to be a bar, but rather a restaurant and it will not deviate from the parks beauty. He expressed the community should feel priviledged an owner of multiple restaurants wants to locate in Altamont and that change is good. Deb Schultz pointed out the VFW abuts the City park and that El Rancherito is typically not a place for the public to drink but rather eat. Alvin Schultz stated at the El Rancherito in Effingham less than 20% of the sales is alcohol. The matter of adequate parking was discussed. Alvin Schultz stated the building will remain the same size. When the Dairy Bar and Deb's Catering operated from the building 19 vans, employees and patrons parked with no issues. Parking should not be an issue. Alvin Schultz provided a lease assignment to the Mayor, transferring the City lease from Schultz to El Rancherito owners. Commissioner Walker stated the matter should be tabled until Park Commissioner, Dan Milleville can be present.

Lucas Lilly presented questions concerning agenda item to Approve Resolution 2019-09-08 Authorizing Execution of Waterway Clearing Agreement Between City, Kull Family Farms and Lynn Kull. He asked what the finished clearing project would look like, how big the waterway will be when finished such as widening and depths and the fact it was an open ended agreement with not termination date. Lynn Kull asked what his advantage to the project would be. Mayor Rippetoe explained Phil Schultz would be contractor for the clearing. Clearing is expected to remain for approximately seven years. Lilly asked that cross sections be documented and maintenance to be defined in the agreement. The resolution was tabled for modifications to the agreement.

Council approved Purchase of 750 KVA Transformer for use at Solar Generation Site in the amount of $16,445.00. Commissioner Walker motioned for approval. Commissioner Polk seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Council discussed regulations concerning recreational marijuana dispensary. Council has the option to prohibit such business or approval zoning regulations and establish taxes and fees. Commissioner Polk stated he thought it was a good idea, more business helps keep utility costs down. Commissioner Slingerland suggested the fees and taxes be provided to the parks fund.

Commissioner Slingerland reported water department employee interviews are being scheduled. Hydrant flushing will begin 9/15/19 thru 6/18/19 the hours of 10 pm – 6 am. A new zero turn mower deck was ordered.

Commissioner Walker reported the Electric Department newest hire will start 9/10/19. Preparation line building for the solar generation site will soon begin.

Commissioner Polk reported the Tenth Street ditch has been reshaped, a new water service was installed and 14 diseased trees have been removed.

Mayor Rippetoe had nothing to report.

Council entered into Executive Session for the purpose of Discussing Purchase or Lease of Property 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (5) on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Polk. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, 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 Walker. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
September 23, 2019 - 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 669-19; Authorizing Assignment of Lease Agreement, 600 South Main Street.*

   B. *Approve Ordinance 671-19: Amending Chapter 24, Article IX of Municipal Code Regard Golf Cart US Route 40 Designated Crossings and Hours of Operation.*

   C. *Bruce Kessler – Golf Cart Regulations.*

   D. *Approve Pay Request #2 to Kieffer Bros Construction in the Amount of $132,131.95; West Division Street.*

   E. *Approve Street Closing Request from Chamber of Commerce November 15th & 16th for an Ice Skating Rink. Closing Second Street Main to Washington.*

   F. *Approve Ordinance 672-19; Amending the City of Altamont Personnel Manual and Adopting an Expense Reimbursement Policy.*

   G. *Approve Ordinance 670-19; Imposing a Municipal Cannabis Retailer's Occupation Tax.*

   H. *Approve Purchase of 2005 Dodge Pickup Truck from Ruth Ann Hoffmeister in the Amount of $8,000.*

I. *Presentation of Motor Fuel Compliance Review Jan 2017 – Dec 2018.*

J. *Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Personnel 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (1).*

K. *Adjourn.*

POSTED: September 20, 2019- 4:00 pm.

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SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
September 23, 2019

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on September 23, 2019, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Jason Rippetoe; Commissioner Todd Slingerland; Commissioner Dan Milleville; Commissioner Mike Walker and Commissioner Tayler Polk. Also present –Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh; Shelby Niehaus, Altamont News; many members of the public and City Clerk Sarah Stephen.

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

Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh, reported the south half West Division Street has been poured. Estimated street opening date is October 9th.

Many public comments were received by the Council. Donna Jones expressed concern of a restaurant serving alcohol at the Dairy Bar location and kids crossing the highway. She poled six neighbors on Oak St, five of which were opposed to alcohol at the location. Alvin Oliver urged the Council to ensure proper measurements of the county taxation. April Luchtefeld asked why the new owners were an issue since the business type is remaining the same. Adam Houston listed several reasons to allow liquor in the park; VFW adjoining the park, beverage permits are approved for family events, liquor is served at Gilbert Park ball tournaments. He also urged the Council to not create another vacant building in the City. Mark Workman suggested a drink limit only with a meal and discouraged issuance of a gaming license. Bernadine Blakely agreed with the restaurant, but not the liquor license. Chamber President, Dawn Burrow, also suggested a drink limit. Don Ziegler, VFW Quartermaster, suggested strict rules against alcohol outside the building. Brad Miller stated if the Council could help with a new business in town, they should.

Commissioner Walker expressed concerns about the lease expiring April 30th and what disadvantage a revised lease may hold for the new owner. Commissioner Milleville stated he has been working on park plans and improvements to keep the park nice & never imagined such a change would transpire. He would welcome El Rancherito to Altamont with open arms in a different scenario. Mayor Rippetoe explained the new owners have reviewed and signed the lease assignment accepting current lease terms.

Ordinance 669-19; Authorizing Assignment of Lease Agreement, 600 South Main Street, was approved on a motion by Commissioner Polk. Commissioner Walker seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, no; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, no; Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Ordinance 671-19; Amending Chapter 24, Article IX of Municipal Code Regard Golf Cart US Route 40 Designated Crossings and Hours of Operation was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Milleville. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. Amendment provides crossing of Rt 40 at Edwards and Third Streets and extends hours from sunset to 10:00 p.m.

Bruce Kessler addressed the Council requesting consideration to relax the Main St and Division Street golf cart restrictions. His analysis included all types of machinery and vehicles continually traveling the same streets during farming season.

Terry Plowman suggested the Council open street passage to UTV's the same as golf carts. He will provide information from other communities allowing such travel.

Pay Request #2 to Kieffer Bros Construction in the Amount of $132,131.95; West Division Street was approved on a motion by Commissioner Polk and seconded by Commissioner Walker. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Council approve Street Closing Request from Chamber of Commerce November 15th & 16th for an Ice Skating Rink. Closing Second Street Main to Washington. Commissioner Walker motioned for approval. Commissioner Milleville seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Ordinance 672-19; Amending the City of Altamont Personnel Manual and Adopting an Expense Reimbursement Policy was approved on a motion by Commissioner Polk and seconded by Commissioner Slingerland. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Ordinance 670-19; Imposing a Municipal Cannabis Retailer's Occupation Tax was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Milleville. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. A 3% tax was imposed, in the event such a retailer would open in Altamont.

The purchase of 2005 Dodge Pickup Truck from Ruth Ann Hoffmeister in the Amount of $8,000 was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Polk. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. The truck will be used by the Zoning Administrator replacing the current 1995 Jeep Loredo.

The Jan 2017 – December 2018 Motor Fuel Compliance Review was presented to the Council.

Commissioner Slingerland reported hydrant flushing has been completed. Plans are needed for a new water line to serve the Relax Inn and two residences. The search continues for a company to repair the valve located on the dam.

Commissioner Walker had nothing to report.

Commissioner Milleville reported placement of Garden Club donated benches in Schmidt Park is in progress.

Commissioner Polk reported the recently purchased harley rake has proven to be a useful tool. Alley surface smoothing has been completed with less manhours.

Clerk Stephen reported following a bond rating call, the City's bond rating was upgraded from A+ to AA-. The Vermeer chipper recently sold at auction for $3900.00.

Council entered into Executive Session for the purpose of Discussing Personnel 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (1) on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Polk. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville,yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, 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 Walker. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

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Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
October 14, 2019 - 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 Payment to Milano & Grunloh Engineers in the Amount of $18229.12; West Division Street Project.*
   B. *Terry Plowman- Discuss Use of Utility Terrain Vehicles.*
   C. *Approve Street Closing Request by Altamont Christian Church to Conduct Trunk-or-Treat, October 31, 2019 from 5:00pm – 8:30 pm, Second Street, Washington to Main.*
   D. *Approve Ordinance 673-19; Authorizing Execution of an Economic Incentive Agreement with Wortman Holdings.*
   E. *Approve Ordinance 674-19; Authorizing Execution of Contract for Private Development Pursuant to Redevelopment Plan for Tax Increment Area. (Wortman Holdings)*
   F. *Discuss Improvement to North Waste Water Treatment Plant.*
   G. *Approve Application to Maintain a Trailer Court, J Dunford Investment Group, North Side Mobile Home Park.*
   H. *Adjourn.*

POSTED: October 11, 2019- 4:00 pm.

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SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
October 14, 2019

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on October 14, 2019, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Jason Rippetoe; Commissioner Todd Slingerland; Commissioner Mike Walker and Commissioner Tayler Polk. Also present – Shelby Niehaus, Altamont News; Eric Rickman, Fayette Co Real Estate; Ken Ginn; Mimi Mays; Clarence Pagel; Charles Mills, Effingham Daily News; Alan Heiens, Altamont Police Chief and City Clerk Sarah Stephen. Commissioner Dan Milleville was absent.

Mayor Rippetoe called for a moment of silence in memorial of the passing of Commissioner Milleville's wife, Brenda.

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

Chief Alan Heiens, presented the September 2019 Police Activity Report.

Council approved Payment to Milano & Grunloh in the Amount of $18,229.12 for the West Division Street Project. Commissioner Slingerland motioned for approval. Commissioner Polk seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Terry Plowman was not available to present Use of Utility Terrain Vehicles. Matter will be continued at the next regular meeting.

Council approved a Street Closing Request by Altamont Christian Church to Conduct Trunk-or-Treat, October 31, 2019 from 5:00 pm – 8:30 pm, closing Second Street, Washington to Main. Commissioner Walker motioned for approval. Commissioner Slingerland seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Ordinance 673-19; Authorizing Execution of Economic Incentive Agreement with Wortman Holdings was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Walker. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Ordinance 674-19; Authorizing Execution of Contract for Private Development Pursuant to Redevelopment Plan for Tax Increment Area (Wortman Holdings) was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland. Commissioner Walker seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Commissioner Slingerland presented a report by Consultant Mark Sedlacek regarding improvements to the north wastewater treatment plant. Currently no citations have been issued at the north plant. Sedlacek recommended an economic approach by installing floating aerators on the lagoon and decommission of the existing air lines. The total estimated cost is $161,000.

Council approved Application to Maintain a Trailer Court to J. Dunford Investment Group for North Side Mobile Home Park. Commissioner Slingerland motioned for approval. Commissioner Walker seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Commissioner Slingerland reported Derek Newburn has been hired in the Water Department. There was a water main break near the Street & Alley shop. Curry & Assoc are searching out a company to inspect and repair the dam valve. An outside valve on the discharge pipe may be needed.

Commissioner Walker reported the Electric Department has been trimming trees behind McDonald's.

Commissioner Polk reported the Street Department has been working on ditch cleaning. Street oiling will be done in a couple weeks.

Mayor Rippetoe reported Jack Flash plan to open their new building in February or March.

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

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Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
October 28, 2019 - 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. *Terry Plowman – Discuss Use of Utility Terrain Vehicles.*

   B. *Approve Installation of Floating Aerators at North Wastewater Treatment Plant. Estimated Cost $161,000.00*

   C. *Approve Ordinance SP-1582; Manufactured Home, 712 West Jackson Avenue*

   D. *Approve Ordinance VA1583; Ground Mounted Solar Unit, 110 North Tenth St*

   E. *Discuss Water Department Chlorine Treatment to Establish EPA Compliance.*

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

   G. *Action as Result of Executive Session.*

   H. *Adjourn.*

POSTED: October 25, 2019- 4:00 pm.

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SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
October 28, 2019

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on October 28, 2019, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Jason Rippetoe; Commissioner Todd Slingerland; Commissioner Dan Milleville; Commissioner Mike Walker and Commissioner Tayler Polk. Also present – Shelby Niehaus, Altamont News; Mimi Mays; Clarence Pagel; Mark Workman; Charles Mills, Effingham Daily News; Kerry Wolff; Lance Durham; Nick Burrus; Terry Plowman; and 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 Walker. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. (Attachment 1)

Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh reported word of grant funding for sewer replacement project should be received December or January. A final walk thru of the Division Street project is needed.

Kerry Wolff announced he is running for the Congressional position left by Congressman Shimkus.

Terry Plowman presented a copy of an ordinance from the Village of Cowden approving use of utility terrain vehicles. He stated Dieterich, Beecher City and St Elmo recently passed a similar ordinance and Effingham County is considering the same. He recommended use of UTV's be regulated the same as golf carts. Mayor Rippetoe stated Council will wait for the Effingham County proposal to determine City regulations.

Council tabled Approving Installation of Floating Aerators at the North Wastewater Treatment Plant. Nick Burrus suggested the option of connecting users of the north wastewater treatment plant to the south wastewater treatment plant, creating only one plant to maintain. Another option is to pursue a DCEO grant for aeration lines and blowers. Commissioner Slingerland expressed concern of connecting the two plants. Stating with the existing infiltration issues the south plant would not handle excess influent during heavy rains.

Council approved Ordinance SP-1582; Manufactured Home, 712 West Jackson Avenue. Commissioner Slingerland motioned for approval. Commissioner Milleville seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. Ordinance allows a mobile home to be placed on a residential lot.

Council approved Ordinance VA-1583; Ground Mounted Solar Unit, 110 North Tenth Street. Commissioner Walker motioned for approval. Commissioner Polk seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Commissioner Slingerland explained IEPA has changed requirements of chlorine residual. The new corrosion control program is working, not efficiently enough to satisfy IEPA regulations. Curry & Associates have proposed adding a chlorine booster at the clearwell. The permanent solution would be to replace all cast water lines within the system.

Commissioner Walker reported the Electric Department has been trimming trees and grinding tree stumps. A new solar unit was installed bringing the current capacity to 68.5 KW.

Commissioner Milleville reported parks have been winterized and secured. An attempt will be made to mow leaves in the parks. He praised the Garden Club for their choice of benches at Schmidt Park.

Commissioner Polk reported the Street Department replaced pavilion roofs in Klitzing Park and installed benches and the Little Library in Schmidt Park.

On a motion by Commissioner Slingerland Council entered into Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Personnel. Motion was seconded by Milleville. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Commissioner Milleville motioned to demote Bryan Seidel from Electric Department Supervisor to lineman. Commissioner Slingerland seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

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

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Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

CITY OF ALTAMONT
PUBLIC HEARING
November 12, 2019 – 5:30 p.m.
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS

Altamont & Beecher City
Enterprise Zone Application

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
November 12, 2019 - 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 Ordinance 675-19; Establishing an Enterprise Zone within the City of Altamont and Village of Beecher City, Illinois.*

   B. *Approve Ordinance 676-19; Authorizing Execution of IMLRMA Minimum/Maximum Contribution Agreement in the Amount of $136,772.99.*

   C. *Approve Payment to Altorfer for Generator Plant Repairs in the Amount of $11,088.48.*

   D. *Discuss City Wide Water Main Replacement.*

   E. *Approve Water Department Chlorine Treatment to Establish EPA Compliance, Not to Exceed $22,000.*

   F. *Approve Renewal of Employee Health Insurance Coverage with Healthy Lifestyle, 1.38% Increase.*

   G. *Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Personnel 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (1) and Lease of Property 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (6)*

   H. *Adjourn.*

POSTED: November 08, 2019- 4:00 pm.

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SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
November 12, 2019

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on November 12, 2019, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Jason Rippetoe; Commissioner Todd Slingerland; Commissioner Dan Milleville; Commissioner Mike Walker and Commissioner Tayler Polk. Also present – Shelby Niehaus, Altamont News; Mimi Mays; Clarence Pagel; Mark Workman; Charles Mills, Effingham Daily News; Vaughn Voelker, Water Dept. Supr; Alan Heiens, Police Chief; David Lorton; Colton Woolsey; Elliott Smithson Terry Plowman; Dave Frederking; Bob Bray and City Clerk Sarah Stephen.

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

Altamont Police Chief, Alan Heiens, presented the October 2019 Police Activity Report.

Mayor Rippetoe commented from a report provided by Milano & Grunloh that a list of items needing attention regarding the West Division Street project were discussed with the contractor. Nothing major has developed.

Mark Workman questioned the regulations for Bella's gaming establishment. He stated other gaming establishments he has visited do not have a set down bar, pool tables or dart boards. He also requested Christmas decorations along Second Street in front of his business.

Former employee, David Lorton, read a statement regarding his recent termination, in which he asked the City Council to reconsider. He would like to continue his employment with the City. Colton Woolsey and Elliott Smithson, former Electric Department employees, spoke in support of Lorton, recommending rehire. They encouraged the Council to continue training of electric department employees.

Council approved Ordinance 675-19 Establishing an Enterprise Zone within the City of Altamont and Village of Beecher City, Illinois. Commissioner Slingerland motioned for approval. Commissioner Milleville seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. A public hearing regarding the enterprise zone application was held prior to the regular meeting.

Ordinance 676-19 Authorizing Execution of IMLRMA Minimum/Maximum Contribution Agreement in the Amount of $136,772.99 on a motion by Commissioner Polk. Commissioner Slingerland seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Commissioner Polk motioned to approve Payment to Altorfer for Generator Plant Repairs in the Amount of $11,088.48. Commissioner Walker seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. Commissioner Walker stated a turbo charger malfunction caused extensive damage.

Commissioner Slingerland explained cast metal water mains installed in the early 1900's are causing issues with chlorine residual compliance. Permanent correction would be city wide line replacement, estimated cost of $6 million. He asked for Council support to discuss financing options with Rural Development for line replacement. He also plans to reach out to legislatures for financial forgiveness and grant funding. He stated early planning may avoid IEPA mandates that would be more costly. There was no opposition from Council members.

Council approved Water Department Chlorine Treatment to Establish EPA Compliance, not to Exceed $22,000.00. Commissioner motioned for approval. Commissioner Walker seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Council approved Renewal of Employee Health Insurance Coverage with Healthy Lifestyle at 1.38% Increase. Commissioner Milleville motioned for approval. Commissioner Slingerland seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Commissioner Slingerland reported the raw pump issue is still being investigated.

Commissioner Walker reported the Electric Department is working to restaff the department. Cory Harris is currently overseeing operations. IEMA will provide mutual aid when needed.

Commissioner Milleville reported equipment at Gilbert Park needs put into the storage facilities. He will be contacting the parties involved. He is coordinating the mowing company to mulch leaves in preparation for Ho Ho Land lighting.

Commissioner Polk reported no large issues have developed in the West Division Street project. Third Street trees along the library have been removed. Street oiling could not be completed due to a shortage of oil.

Mayor Rippetoe reported Effingham County is forming a Hazard Mitigation Committee. Involvement could lead to grant opportunity. He asked for a Council member to attend the November 18th meeting.

On a motion by Commissioner Slingerland Council entered into Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Personnel and Lease of Property. Motion was seconded by Milleville. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

No action as a result of Executive Session.

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

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Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
November 25, 2019 - 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 Appointment of Dillon Meier to Electric Department Supervisor*.

   B. *Announce Estimated Tax Levy FYE 2020.*

   C.

   D. *Adjourn.*

POSTED: November 22, 2019- 4:00 pm.

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SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
November 25, 2019

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on November 25, 2019, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Jason Rippetoe; Commissioner Dan Milleville; Commissioner Mike Walker and Commissioner Tayler Polk. Also present – Shelby Niehaus, Altamont News; Clarence Pagel; Charles Mills, Effingham Daily News; Nick Burrus and 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 Polk and seconded by Commissioner Milleville. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. (Attachment 1)

Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh reported West Division Street walk thru inspection needs finalized. DCEO grant application grading pending round table reviews. Wastewater treatment plant DMR reports and plans are being reviewed for recommendations of north wastewater plant improvements.

Council approved appointment of Dillon Meier to Electric Department Supervisor on a motion by Commissioner Walker. Commissioner Polk seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Mayor Rippetoe announced the estimated 2020 levy in the amount of $232,590.00. Reflecting a 4.73% increase over the prior year.

Commissioner Walker reported employee changes in the the Electric Department are providing for reorganization. A new employee, Jade Peddycoart, started today.

Commissioner Milleville reported equipment and picnic tables at Gilbert Park are placed in winter storage. Schmidt Park leaves were mulched in preparation for Ho Ho Land lighting.

Commissioner Polk reported Street Department has been trimming and removing trees.

Mayor Rippetoe reported he and Commissioner Milleville attended the Effingham County Hazard Mitigation Committee meeting. The next meeting will be in February. The program is in the beginning stages.

Clerk Stephen indicated an oversight in the ordinance 675-19 Establishing an Enterprise Zone. The ordinance stated commercial real estate tax abatement to be 10 years rather than the previous 5 years. Minimum project costs were established at $3,000 for all. The previous enterprise zone ruled minimums at $1500 residential and $5000 commercial/industrial. Council agreed the ordinance should be amended to be unified with the existing enterprise zone.

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

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Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
December 09, 2019 - 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 Ordinance 677-19; Establishing an Enterprise Zone within the City of Altamont and Village of Beecher City, Illinois.*
   B. *Approve Ordinance 678-19; Amending FYE 2020 Appropriation.*
   C. *Approve Ordinance 679-19; FYE 2020 Tax Levy.*
   D. *Approve Ordinance 680-19; Annual Abatement Ordinance.*
   E. *Approve Resolution 2019-12-09; Establishing 2020 Schedule of Meetings.*
   F. *Approve 2020 Holiday Schedule.*
   G. *Discuss Possible Locations for Cannabis Sales.*
   H. *Adjourn.*

POSTED: December 06, 2019- 4:00 pm.

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SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
December 09, 2019

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on December 09, 2019, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Commissioner Dan Milleville; Commissioner Todd Slingerland; Commissioner Mike Walker and Commissioner Tayler Polk. Also present – Shelby Niehaus, Altamont News; Clarence Pagel; Charles Mills, Effingham Daily News; Nick Burrus; Chief Alan Heiens; Jason Mislich; Darlene May and City Clerk Sarah Stephen. Mayor Jason Rippetoe 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 Walker. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Polk, yes; Commissioner Milleville, yes. (Attachment 1)

Chief Heiens presented the November 2019 Police Activity Report.

Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh reported West Division Street walk thru inspection needs finalized and a pay request to complete the DCEO grant monies will be provided for next Council meeting. DCEO grant application grading pending. Wastewater treatment plant DMR reports and plans are being reviewed for recommendations of north wastewater plant improvements.

Jason Mislich provided pictures to the Council concerning what appears to be drainage pipes installed in the concrete wall on the west side of the new Jack Flash truck parking area. He is concerned the drainage pipes and the berm will cause additional water onto his property and the City alley. Commissioner Slingerland stated the contractor will be called for clarification of the plans. Mislich also asked Council when McDonald's would be required to erect a solid fence as zoning regulations require.

Ordinance 677-19; Establishing an Enterprise Zone within the City of Altamont and Village of Beecher City, Illinois was approved on a motion by Commissioner Polk and seconded by Commissioner Slingerland. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Polk, yes; Commissioner Milleville, yes. This ordinance replaces Ordinance replaces ordinance 675-19, which was approved on 11/12/2019.

Ordinance 678-19; Amending FYE 2020 Appropriation was approved on a motion by Commissioner Walker and seconded by Commissioner Polk. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Polk, yes; Commissioner Milleville, yes. Amended appropriation totals $7,002,446 an increase of $20,815.

Ordinance 679-19; FYE 2020 Levy was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Polk. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Polk, yes; Commissioner Milleville, yes. Commissioner Milleville announced the net levy of $232,590.00.

Ordinance 680-19; Annual Abatement Ordinance was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Walker. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Polk, yes; Commissioner Milleville, yes.

Resolution 2019-12-09; Establishing 2020 Schedule of Meetings was approved on a motion by Commissioner Walker and seconded by Commissioner Slingerland. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Polk, yes; Commissioner Milleville, yes. Meetings will be held at 6:00 on the second and fourth Monday of each month.

Council approved the 2020 Holiday Schedule. Commissioner Slingerland motioned for approval. Commissioner Polk seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Polk, yes; Commissioner Milleville, yes.

Council discussed providing direction to the Zoning Board for recommendation of zoning regulations of cannabis sale locations. Maps indicating restricted areas from residential, churches, schools, day care, and parks were provided. An overlay of each area implied Altamont would not have any available locations unless the Council reduced the State setbacks from such land marks. Commissioner Slingerland suggested cannabis business be restricted the same as liquor sales with the addition of park locations. Commissioner Walker stated he did not want cannabis sales to be a moral compass of the community. Commissioner Polk stated Council should be careful to welcome new business rather than push them away. Revenue needs to be generated to help with utility costs. Council determined a listing of landmark types and distances may be determined at a later date.

Commissioner Slingerland reported a meeting was held with Rural Development regarding funding of a 100% water main replacement project with estimated cost of $6 million. Rural Development saw no reason to reject such a loan. Slingerland encouraged a city wide meeting to present the project to the public. Such a main replacement would permanently satisfy IEPA requirements of chlorine residual in the drinking water. He stated the cost could be lower as revised water main system could reduce the footage of pipe needed. Commissioner Walker questioned the savings of purchasing water from an outside source. Commissioner Slingerland explained the water mains would remain property of the City and would still need replaced and that minimum costs of EJ water connections are considerably higher than current minimums. EJ also establishes a 3% annual increase. Commissioner Slingerland presented the possibility of lowering the minimum gallon threshold to increase revenue.

Commissioner Walker reported new employees and supervisor are adapting well to their responsibilities.

Commissioner Polk reported leaf pickup will conclude the week of December 16th.

Commissioner Milleville had nothing to report.

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

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Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
December 23, 2019 - 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 Proceeding with Curry & Associates Preliminary Engineering of Water System Main Replacement, Estimated Cost $20,000.*

   B. *Approve Ordinance 681-19; 1st Amendment to Contract for Private Development Pursuant to Tax Increment Area (Kelly properties)*

   C. *Approve Ordinance 682-19; Authorizing Lease of Real Estate, Water Tower Lease – KNR Wireless.*

   D. *Omnibus Vote Agenda – Items Relating to Kieffer Bros Construction; West Division Street Project:*
   Item No. 1 – Approve Pay Request #3 to Kieffer Bros Construction in the Amount of $328,093.39
   Item No. 2 – Approve Change Order #1, Kieffer Bros Construction in the Amount of $25.16.
   Item No. 3 – Approve Pay Request #4 to Kieffer Bros Construction in the Amount of $17,618.07; West Division Street Project.

   E. *Approve Payment to Milano & Grunloh in the Amount of $28,484.83; West Division Street Project.*

   F. *Adjourn.*

POSTED: December 20, 2019- 4:00 pm.

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SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
December 23, 2019

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on December 23, 2019, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Jason Rippetoe; Commissioner Dan Milleville; Commissioner Todd Slingerland; Commissioner Mike Walker and Commissioner Tayler Polk. Also present – Shelby Niehaus, Altamont News; Clarence Pagel; Nick Burrus; Lloyd Wendling & Vaughn Voelker, Water Department; and 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 Milleville. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. (Attachment 1)

Nick Burrus, Milano & Grunloh reported West Division Street 2nd pay request has been presented, IDOT funds have arrived, change orders are prepared for approval. A final pay estimate will be prepared after the walk thru. The Safe Routes to Schools program has been introduced again with ITEP funds provided (80/20 split) to include engineering design and construction.

Ordinance 681-19; 1st Amendment to Contract or Private Development Pursuant to Tax Increment Area (Kelly properties) was approved on a motion by Commissioner Milleville and seconded by Commissioner Walker. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. Amendment provides extension to March 31, 2020.

Ordinance 682-19; Authorizing Lease of Real Estate, Water Tower Lease – KNR Wireless was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Walker. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of Items Relating to Kieffer Bros Construction; West Division Street Project #1-Approve Pay Request #3 to Kieffer Bros Construction in the Amount of $328,093.39; #2-Approve Change Order #1 $25.16; #3 Approve Pay Request #4 in the Amount of $17,618.07. Commissioner Polk motioned for approval. Commissioner Slingerland seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Council approved Payment to Milano & Grunloh in the Amount of $28,484.83; West Division Street Project on a motion by Commissioner Polk and seconded by Commissioner Slingerland. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Council approved proceeding with Curry & Associates Preliminary Engineering of Water System Main Replacement, Estimated Cost $20,000. Commissioner Slingerland motioned for approval. Commissioner Walker seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner

Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. Commissioner Slingerland stated this is a starting point to determine costs of ull system water main replacement. Results should be available by March 31st. If a full system replacement is established, construction is estimated at two years. Costs can be presented to Rural Development for low interest loan funding. After receiving the engineering report, he is planning a public meeting to explain the importance of such a costly project. Water Supr, Vaughn Voelker explained availability of right of ways is a large factor as well as the possibility of streamlining the use of water mains.

Commissioner Slingerland reported a broken water main valve was discovered at Main & Third Streets. This contributed to a longer than usual water shutdown effecting many customers during a water main break.

Commissioner Walker reported a meeting was held with the Association of Illinois Electric Cooperatives lineman training coordinator. Three employees have been enrolled in a four year program.

Commissioner Milleville reported trees have been removed from Union Cemetery. Gilbert Park, Diamond D safety net installation is started thanks to Altamont Senior Living Apartments. Positive feedback has been received regarding the Little Library. He met with the Garden Club President to discuss future plans.

Commissioner Polk reported snow removal was hindered by truck repairs.

Mayor Rippetoe reported drainage at the new Jack Flash construction was reviewed and is acceptable.

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

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Sarah Stephen, City Clerk