

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
Monday, October 17, 2016

On Monday, October 17, 2016, the City Council of the City of Decatur, Illinois, met in Regular Meeting at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers, One Gary K. Anderson Plaza, Decatur, Illinois.

Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe presided, together with him being Councilmen Lisa Gregory, Pat McDaniel, Dana Ray, Jerry Dawson, Bill Faber and Chris Funk. Seven members present. Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe declared a quorum present.

City Manager Tim Gleason attended the meeting as well.

Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

This being the time for Appearance of Citizens, the following citizens appeared:

John Phillips stated the Decatur Park District had rejected the idea of including a 50 meter lane pool in the proposed water park plans. He hoped City Council would take some leadership and think this through as to what is best for the community and what would help the City grow.

Russell Shulke read a statement regarding the costs of the Lake Decatur Dredging and Lake Decatur Dam projects.

Jack Wilkerson received a letter from the City regarding violations at 1930 South Taylorville Road. One of the violations was for inoperable autos on the property. Mr. Wilkerson said he has a mechanic on this property. The letter went out on 4th and he received it on the 12th. Landlords are given four business days to respond, which would have been the 10th. Mr. Wilkerson said fortunately for him the Neighborhood Standards officer was on vacation because he would have already been in Administrative Court. He asked for clarification on the process.

The minutes of the October 3, 2016 City Council meeting were presented. Councilman Jerry Dawson moved the minutes be approved as written; seconded by Councilman Pat McDaniel, and on call of the roll, Councilmen Lisa Gregory, Pat McDaniel, Dana Ray, Jerry Dawson, Bill Faber, Chris Funk and Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

This being the time set aside for Unfinished Business and there being none, Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe called for New Business.

Proclamations and Recognitions: Director of Neighborhood Services Richelle Irons shared that one of the highlights of the 2016 Regional Neighborhood Network Conference held in Champaign-Urbana was the presentation of the Stella Stewart "Doing Good in the Neighborhood" Award to Francie Johnson. Director of Neighborhood

Services Richelle Irons presented Francie Johnson with an award for her outstanding neighborhood service.

2016-70 Ordinance providing for the issuance of not to exceed \$30,000,000 General Obligation Bonds, Series 2016 (Green Bonds) to finance the expansion of the City's water supply by the dredging of Lake Decatur, was presented.

Councilman Jerry Dawson moved the Ordinance do pass; seconded by Councilwoman Dana Ray.

Finance Director Gregg Zientara explained this Ordinance is the third bond issue. The money the City receives from this bond will carry the City through 2017 and into 2018. The Green Bonds are investments of environmental nature. Finance Director Gregg Zientara responded to Council questions regarding funding for the debt service pertaining to the dredging project.

Russell Shulke stated he had problems with the City financing the dredging project as it goes along.

Upon call of the roll, Councilmen Lisa Gregory, Pat McDaniel, Dana Ray, Jerry Dawson, Bill Faber, Chris Funk and Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

R2016-123 Resolution Authorizing Macon County Soil & Water Conservation District Lake Decatur Watershed Conservation Services Agreement Addendum, was presented.

Councilman Jerry Dawson moved the Resolution do pass; seconded by Councilman Pat McDaniel.

Upon call of the roll, Councilmen Lisa Gregory, Pat McDaniel, Dana Ray, Jerry Dawson, Bill Faber, Chris Funk and Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

R2016-124 Resolution Authorizing the Execution of Contract with Bodine Communication for the South Water Treatment Plant Security Camera Upgrade, was presented.

Councilman Jerry Dawson moved the Resolution do pass; seconded by Councilwoman Dana Ray.

Councilman Chris Funk stated he would be abstaining from the vote due to a potential for conflict because Bodine is controlled by one of the directors of the bank.

Councilman Bill Faber asked why this investment is essential to the operation of the water system in our community. Water Management Director Keith Alexander

explained the City currently has an analog video surveillance system at the Water Treatment Plant and Lake Decatur Dam. The current system is 15 years old and it is hard to get parts to do any repairs to it and the resolution is poor.

Russell Shulke stated he was in favor of this project because you can't be too safe anymore.

Upon call of the roll, Councilmen Lisa Gregory, Pat McDaniel, Dana Ray, Jerry Dawson, Bill Faber and Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe voted aye. Councilman Chris Funk abstained. Six ayes and one abstention. Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

2016-71 Ordinance Rezoning Property – 2500-2600 Blocks of South Business Route 51 and 900 Block of West Grove Road from R-5 Two Family Residence District, R-6 Multiple Dwelling District and B-1 Neighborhood Shopping District to B-2 Commercial District, was presented.

Councilman Jerry Dawson moved the Ordinance do pass; seconded by Councilman Pat McDaniel.

Upon call of the roll, Councilmen Lisa Gregory, Pat McDaniel, Dana Ray, Jerry Dawson, Bill Faber, Chris Funk and Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe called for Consent Calendar Items A through J and asked if any Council member wished to have an item removed from Consent Calendar. Councilman Bill Faber asked that Item B. be removed from the Consent Calendar. The Clerk read Items A and C - J:

- A. Receiving and Filing of Minutes of Boards and Commissions
- C. R2016-126 Resolution Authorizing Fifth Amendment to the Intergovernmental Jury Duty Parking Agreement between the City of Decatur and Macon County
- D. 2016-72 Ordinance Removing No Parking Restriction on the North Side of the 2200 Block of East Logan Street
- E. 2016-73 Ordinance Authorizing the Installation of Stop Signs at the Intersection of Main Street with 16th Street facing Main Street
- F. 2016-74 Ordinance Authorizing the Installation of Stop Signs at the Intersection of Main Street with 17th Street facing Main Street
- G. 2016-75 Ordinance Authorizing the Installation of Stop Signs at the Intersection of Main Street with 18th Street facing Main Street
- H. 2016-76 Ordinance Authorizing the Installation of Stop Signs at the Intersection of Main Street with 19th Street facing Main Street
- I. 2016-77 Ordinance Authorizing the Installation of Stop Signs at the Intersection of Main Street with 20th Street facing Main Street

J. 2016-78 Ordinance Authorizing the Installation of Stop Signs at the Intersection of Main Street with 21st Street facing Main Street

Councilman Jerry Dawson motioned to approve the items as presented, seconded by Councilwoman Dana Ray.

Upon call of the roll, Councilmen Lisa Gregory, Pat McDaniel, Dana Ray, Jerry Dawson, Bill Faber, Chris Funk and Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

R2016-125 Resolution Authorizing Agreement with Arthur J. Gallagher and Co. for Risk Management Advisory Services, was presented.

Councilman Jerry Dawson moved the Resolution do pass; seconded by Councilman Pat McDaniel.

City Manager Tim Gleason explained the City currently has an agreement for services through the end of 2019 with Arthur J. Gallagher and Company. When Risk Manager Scott Clark retired the City took the opportunity to improve the efficiencies and found they could save some money and did not need to replace his position. Some of the duties would be absorbed within the Finance Department, the Human Resources Department and with Arthur J. Gallagher and Company. In doing so, the agreement with Arthur J. Gallagher and Company would be extended to 2021 and increase the total contract by \$8,000.00.

Councilman Bill Faber stated he thought Arthur J. Gallagher and Company was located outside of Chicago and he would like to see the dollars stay here in our community. City Manager Tim Gleason stated Arthur J. Gallagher and Company does have a local presence in the community. Finance Director Gregg Zientara shared that Ted Miller and Cary Peters with Arthur J. Gallagher and Company are here in Decatur and yes they are owned by Arthur J. Gallagher and Company out of Chicago. The money the City pays goes to the local office here. The Risk Management proposal is similar to what other cities are using.

Ted Miller stated he is with Arthur J. Gallagher and he lives and works in Decatur. The office has 20 – 25 employees here in Decatur and they are very much a part of the fabric of this community.

Upon call of the roll, Councilmen Lisa Gregory, Pat McDaniel, Dana Ray, Jerry Dawson, Chris Funk and Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe voted aye. Councilman Bill Faber voted nay. Six ayes and one nay. Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe called for Other Business. Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe presented a new Decatur T-shirt. Councilman Pat McDaniel said the T-shirts are a sovenier Decatur T-shirt and are for sale at the Decatur Civic Center skate desk.

Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe called to Study Session for the Treasurer's Financial Report.

Councilman Jerry Dawson moved to recess to Study Session; seconded by Councilwoman Dana Ray.

Upon call of the roll, Councilmen Lisa Gregory, Pat McDaniel, Dana Ray, Jerry Dawson, Bill Faber, Chris Funk and Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

City Manager Tim Gleason shared they will provide a hard copy of the FY 2017 budget with the Council at the first Council meeting in November. Finance Director Gregg Zientara shared that the City's financial position continues to show slight but steady improvement as the City moves forward in 2016. Finance Director Gregg Zientara and City Manager Tim Gleason responded to Council members' questions about the budget and Police and Fire pension issues.

Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe called to Recess to Closed Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussion Regarding the Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance, or Dismissal of Specific Employees of the Public Body.

Councilwoman Dana Ray moved to recess to Closed Executive Session; seconded by Councilman Jerry Dawson.

Upon call of the roll, Councilmen Lisa Gregory, Pat McDaniel, Dana Ray, Jerry Dawson, Bill Faber, Chris Funk and Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

Council returned to the regular Council meeting following Closed Executive Session.

Councilman Pat McDaniel moved the regular Council meeting be adjourned; seconded by Councilman Jerry Dawson. Upon call of the roll, Councilmen Lisa Gregory, Pat McDaniel, Dana Ray, Jerry Dawson, Bill Faber, Chris Funk and Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe declared the Council meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Approved November 7, 2016
Debra G. Bright
City Clerk