

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Monday, June 18, 2018

On Monday, June 18, 2018, 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 her being Council members Charles Kuhle, Pat McDaniel, Dana Ray, Bill Faber, Lisa Gregory and David Horn were present. 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.

Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe called for Appearance of Citizens.

Jerry Dawson requested Council consider dedicating the new fire house in John E. Sheehy's honor and maybe have a plaque or something suitable like that in the new fire house. Mr. Sheehy was the first fire fighter killed in the line of duty in Decatur, Illinois in 1909.

Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe called for approval of the minutes. The minutes of the June 4, 2018, Council meeting were presented. Councilman Pat McDaniel moved the minutes be approved as written; seconded by Councilwoman Dana Ray, and on call of the roll, Council members Charles Kuhle, Pat McDaniel, Dana Ray, Bill Faber, Lisa Gregory, David Horn and Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

This being the time set aside for Unfinished Business. City Manager Tim Gleason gave an update on the funded entities in the community. Mr. Gleason's recommended Council fund the entities the full amount for the remainder of fiscal year 2018 and the City make notification to the entities.

With no other unfinished business, Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe called for New Business.

Finance Director Gregg Zientara provided the Treasurer's Financial Report. Councilman Charles Kuhle asked if there were any signs of the City services suffering because of the hold off in hiring. City Manager Tim Gleason stated, no, it is going well. Councilman Bill Faber requested a list of the open positions.

R2018-70 Resolution Rescinding Resolution 2018-28 Regarding Adding Territory to the Decatur Macon County Enterprise Zone Decatur Memorial Hospital, was presented. Councilman Pat McDaniel moved the Resolution do pass; seconded by Councilwoman Dana Ray.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Pat McDaniel, Dana Ray, Bill Faber, Lisa Gregory, David Horn and Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe voted aye. Councilman Charles Kuhle abstained. Six ayes and one abstention. Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

R2018-71 Resolution Adding Territory to the Decatur Macon County Enterprise Zone Decatur Memorial Hospital, was presented. Councilman Pat McDaniel moved the Resolution do pass; seconded by Councilwoman Dana Ray.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Pat McDaniel, Dana Ray, Bill Faber, Lisa Gregory, David Horn and Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe voted aye. Councilman Charles Kuhle abstained. Six ayes and one abstention. Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

R2018-72 Resolution Authorizing Agreement for Lobbying Services – Curry and Associates, L.L.C., was presented. Councilman Pat McDaniel moved the Resolution do pass; seconded by Councilwoman Lisa Gregory.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Charles Kuhle, Pat McDaniel, Dana Ray, Bill Faber, Lisa Gregory, David Horn and Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

R2018-73 Resolution Authorizing the Macon County Public Safety Training Foundation and the City of Decatur, Illinois Agreement for the Use of Grant Farm Law Enforcement Training Center by the Decatur Police Department, was presented. Councilman Pat McDaniel moved the Resolution do pass; seconded by Councilwoman Dana Ray.

Police Chief Jim Getz explained that the Macon County Sheriff's Department basically operated and managed the facility and it is being assigned over to the Macon County Public Safety Training Foundation. Police will continue to go there and train. This agreement will allow Police to train there under different management. Councilman Charles Kuhle asked if there was a cost to the City to use the facility. Police Chief Jim Getz stated there was no cost.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Charles Kuhle, Pat McDaniel, Dana Ray, Bill Faber, Lisa Gregory, David Horn and Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

R2018-74 Resolution Authorizing Annual Service Agreement with Superion, LLC – OSSI Decatur Police Department, was presented. Councilman Pat McDaniel moved the Resolution do pass; seconded by Councilwoman Dana Ray.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Charles Kuhle, Pat McDaniel, Dana Ray, Bill Faber, Lisa Gregory, David Horn and Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

R2018-75 Resolution Approving Expenditure of City Funds to Renew Microsoft Office 365 Licensing Fulfillment for the Next Three Years. CDW-G, was presented. Councilman Pat McDaniel moved the Resolution do pass; seconded by Councilwoman Dana Ray.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Charles Kuhle, Pat McDaniel, Dana Ray, Bill Faber, Lisa Gregory, David Horn and Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

R2018-76 Resolution Approving a Water Service Agreement with the Village of Harristown, was presented. Councilman Pat McDaniel moved the Resolution do pass; seconded by Councilwoman Dana Ray.

Councilman David Horn asked if there was a reason the City couldn't always supply Harristown's water. City Manager Tim Gleason shared that the Village is not interested in the City supplying their water at this time.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Charles Kuhle, Pat McDaniel, Dana Ray, Bill Faber, Lisa Gregory, David Horn and Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

R2018-77 Resolution Authorizing an Agreement with WHKS & Co. for Engineering Services to Provide Design Services to Improve the Taylor Road / Ward Branch and West Main Street / Stevens Creek Bridges, City Project 2018-05, was presented. Councilman Pat McDaniel moved the Resolution do pass; seconded by Councilwoman Dana Ray.

Councilman David Horn asked if these two bridges had the lowest rankings. Public Works Director Matt Newell stated currently the City is under contract designing the two bridges on Mound Road, which are the worse. The reason West Main is on here is because we could see that at least one of the pilings is experiencing a lot of deterioration and we wanted to secure the pilings.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Charles Kuhle, Pat McDaniel, Dana Ray, Bill Faber, Lisa Gregory, David Horn and Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

R2018-78 Resolution to Approve Preliminary Engineering Services Agreement and Appropriate Motor Fuel Tax Funds for Taylor Road / Ward Branch and West Main Street / Stevens Creek Bridges Improvement, City Project 2018-05, was presented. Councilman Pat McDaniel moved the Resolution do pass; seconded by Councilwoman Dana Ray.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Charles Kuhle, Pat McDaniel, Dana Ray, Bill Faber, Lisa Gregory, David Horn and Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

R2018-79 Resolution Rejecting the Bids – Street Restoration, Airport Road, City Project 2018-08, was presented. Councilman Pat McDaniel moved the Resolution do pass; seconded by Councilwoman Dana Ray.

Councilman Charles Kuhle asked approximately how much will the bid go up. City Manager Tim Gleason stated approximately \$100,000.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Charles Kuhle, Pat McDaniel, Dana Ray, Bill Faber, Lisa Gregory, David Horn and Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

2018-25 Ordinance Rezoning Property R-3 Single Family Residence District to PD Planned Development District 110-140 West Mound Road, was presented. Councilman Pat McDaniel moved the Ordinance do pass; seconded by Councilwoman Dana Ray.

Director of Economic and Development Raymond Lai responded to Council members questions regarding the Planned Development District. Councilman David Horn stated that while this development prohibits video gaming parlors, it still permits video gaming terminals in the retail space. Mr. Horn stated video gaming does not enhance the attractiveness of this area. Video gaming will not lead to a greatly enhanced neighborhood center. They do not promote a positive image and they are close proximity to churches and a premium retail complex. Councilman David Horn motioned to amend the Planned Development prohibiting video gaming terminals from the development; seconded by Councilman Bill Faber. Council members shared their comments regarding the possibility of video gaming terminals in the Planned Development District. Mary Cave with Chastain and Associates shared that the major use of the development is a medical office and possibly future retail and a small restaurant.

Upon call of roll on the amendment to prohibit video gaming terminals from the development, Council members Pat McDaniel, Bill Faber, Lisa Gregory and David Horn voted aye. Council members Charles Kuhle, Dana Ray, and Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe voted nay. Four ayes and three nays. Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

Upon call of the roll for the ordinance as amended, Council members Charles Kuhle, Pat McDaniel, Dana Ray, Lisa Gregory, David Horn 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.

2018-26 Ordinance Amending City Code Chapter 56-Refuse and Recyclables Removal, was presented. Councilman Pat McDaniel moved the Resolution do pass; seconded by Councilwoman Dana Ray.

Councilman Pat McDaniel clarified that the only thing changing is the amount being paid by customers. City Manager Tim Gleason stated that was correct. Councilman Bill Faber asked when a citizen has a complaint who in the City can that complaint be directed to. City Manager Tim Gleason stated typically Deputy City Manager Billy Tyus receives the complaints. Councilman Bill Faber suggested it would be helpful to the community if when the citizens called in that City staff knew whom to direct that complaint to. Councilwoman Dana Ray shared that she thought the City should have one point person where the complaints go to. City Manager Tim Gleason stated that within the organization the point person they turn to is Susan Kretsinger. City Manager Tim Gleason responded to Councilman David Horn's questions regarding refuse.

Citizens Nancy Funk and Gary Funk shared their concerns regarding garbage service and registering complaints with the City. Mrs. Funk requested that the citizens have a number to call to report poor garbage service or an insert in the garbage bill on how to address refuse problems.

Attorney Ed Flynn representing the garbage haulers shared that when the modifications were made to the garbage service in 2005, that the garbage haulers took a \$3.15 reduction in their monthly revenue. Mr. Flynn requested Council grant the rate increase. Mr. Flynn responded to Councilwoman Lisa Gregory's questions regarding registering a garbage complaint and reaching a remedy.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Charles Kuhle, Pat McDaniel, Dana Ray, Bill Faber, Lisa Gregory, David Horn and Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

R2018-80 Resolution Authorizing City Manager to Negotiate for the Purchase of Properties Owned by the Macon County Trustee, was presented. Councilman Pat McDaniel moved the Resolution do pass; seconded by Councilwoman Dana Ray.

Councilman Pat McDaniel wanted to know how many of the 720 lots have houses on them that need to be demolished. Councilman Pat McDaniel requested staff put together recommendations on how they are going to sell the lots. Councilman Charles Kuhle asked if there were any increased costs to taking these properties over. City Manager Tim Gleason stated, yes, there will be more staff time as we formalize a plan of what we do other than just maintaining at the bare minimum. Councilman Bill Faber asked if these properties would be funneled into a land bank. City Manager Tim Gleason stated it was yet to be determined. Councilman David Horn stated the specific costs need to be identified in the 2019 budget.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Charles Kuhle, Pat McDaniel, Dana Ray, Bill Faber, Lisa Gregory, David Horn 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 D and asked if any Council member wished to have an item removed from the Consent Calendar. Council members did not ask to remove any items from the Consent Calendar. The Clerk read Items A and D:

- A. R2018-81 Resolution Ascertaining Prevailing Rate of Wages for Construction of Public Works by Contract
- B. R2018-82 Resolution Approving Appointment – Human Relations Commission
- C. R2018-83 Resolution Approving Appointment – Plan Commission
- D. R2018-84 Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Temporary Construction Easement Agreement between the City of Decatur and Jeffrey L. Shade, Thomas M. Shade, Sarah M. Peterson, as Trustee of the Sarah M. Peterson Trust, and William P. Shade III, as Trustee of the William P. Shade III Trust

Councilman Pat McDaniel moved Items A and D be approved by Omnibus Vote; seconded by Councilwoman Dana Ray, and on call of the roll, Council members Charles Kuhle, Pat McDaniel, Dana Ray, Bill Faber, Lisa Gregory, David Horn and Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe called for Other Business.

Councilman Charles Kuhle thanked the City for the nice directional signs throughout the City. He also thanked Cindy Deadrick Wolfer and the Symetra Tour for bringing the tour to Decatur again.

Councilman David Horn requested to have a discussion on video gaming and video gaming terminal fees come to Council in the near term.

Councilman Bill Faber requested a meeting of the Council to discuss the management and operations of the City in the absence of a City Manager and an interim City Manager. Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe stated it looks like Council will meet in Executive Session on July 2nd.

Councilman David Horn stated there was a headline in the Herald & Review regarding the East Main violence and Dr. Janelle Norman talked about individuals coming together to talk about the situation and he was wondering what action the Police or City could take in facilitating such discussion. Police Chief Jim Getz stated that Dr. Norman did reach out to him and asked if they would be interested in talking with those folks and he stated that they will be participating in that discussion.

Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe called for adjournment. Councilwoman Dana Ray moved the Council meeting be adjourned; seconded by Councilwoman Lisa Gregory, and on call of the roll, Council members Charles Kuhle, Pat McDaniel, Dana Ray, Bill Faber, Lisa Gregory, David Horn and Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe declared the Council meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Approved July 2, 2018
Debra G. Bright
City Clerk