

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Monday, May 16, 2016

On Monday, May 16, 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 her being Councilmen Pat McDaniel, Dana Ray, Jerry Dawson, Bill Faber, Chris Funk, and Lisa Gregory. 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:

Judy Parish with the Community & Environmental Council spoke about the restoration of the Lincoln Trail Homestead State Park and Memorial and upcoming events.

Russell Shulke read a statement regarding the Decatur Public Library purchasing the vacant Sears building downtown.

City Clerk Debra Bright read the following list of Anticipated Action Items for the next regularly scheduled Council meeting:

1. Resolution to Authorize an Agreement with Bainbridge, Gee, Milanski & Associates, Inc. to Design Improvements to the Shore Oak & Forest Green Pump Stations, City Project 2016-02
2. Resolution to Authorize a Three Year Agreement with Bainbridge, Gee, Milanski & Associates, Inc. to Provide General Engineering Services for the Sanitary Sewer System, City Project 2016-05
3. Ordinance Authorizing Loan Agreement to borrow funds from Water Pollution Control Loan Program to cover Engineering and Construction costs associated with Rehabilitation of the 7th Ward Sewer, City Project 2015-07
4. Resolution Authorizing an Engineering Services Agreement with BGM to Provide Construction Engineering & Resident Inspection Services for the Rehabilitation of the 7th Ward Sewer, City Project 2015-07
5. Resolution to Accept Bids and Execute a Contract for the 2016 Miscellaneous Sanitary & Storm Sewer Improvement Project, City Project 2016-09
6. Resolution accepting Bid for Training Tower Door and Stair Project Decatur Fire Department
7. Ordinance Annexing Territory – 1415 North Sunnyside Road

8. Resolution Accepting the Bid of Bob Brady Auto Mall, Decatur, IL, for the Purchase of One (1) 2016 Dodge Ram 2500, Heavy Duty ¾ Ton Pick-Up with Snow Plow
9. Resolution Authorizing Agreement Between Non-Profit and City of Decatur for CDBG Education Funding
10. Resolution Authorizing Agreement for Lobbying Services – Curry and Associates LLC
11. Resolution Ascertaining Prevailing Rate of Wages for Construction of Public Works by Contract
12. Resolution Authorizing Annual Service Agreement with SunGuard Public Sector, Inc. – OSSI – Decatur Police Department

The minutes of May 2, 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 Pat McDaniel, Dana Ray, Jerry Dawson, Bill Faber, Chris Funk, Lisa Gregory 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:

Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe and Linda Hasenmyer with Sister Cities presented student ambassadors Krista Horn, Melanie Baum, and Alexis Edwards with a certificate and Stephen Decatur medallion. Student ambassador Savannah Shaffer was not able to attend the meeting. The student ambassadors will travel to Seevetal, Germany this summer.

Decatur Municipal Band President Steve Schepper gave a presentation on the Decatur Municipal Band's conception. This June marks the Municipal Band's 159th season.

Conductor Jim Culbertson spoke about the Municipal Band's loyal audiences, the internship program, and talented musicians. Mr. Culbertson shared information about the band's summer schedule.

R2016-49 Resolution Regarding Residency within the Corporate Limits of the City of Decatur for Individuals Employed by the Municipal Corporation, was presented.

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

Councilman Chris Funk had concerns about the candidate pool and the ability to attract the best candidates. He was concerned the Resolution was overly restrictive.

Russell Shulke asked if the City could set up a contract just for the new employees. Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe said it was complex because the City is dealing with public employee unions.

Councilman Jerry Dawson said the Resolution is strictly for new employees and understands the City has to bargain with unions.

Lloyd Holman said the City needed every employee they could get living within the City.

James Taylor said first responders needed to live in the City.

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

R2016-50 Resolution to Appropriate Additional Motor Fuel Tax Funds for the Mound Road Bridge over Spring Creek East Project by Municipality under the Illinois Highway Code, City Project 2013-25, was presented.

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

Public Works Director Rick Marley recommended going forward with the increase in the Motor Fuel Tax appropriation of \$200,000. Councilman Pat McDaniel requested new Council members be given a list of the bridges the City is responsible for.

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

R2016-51 Resolution to Appropriate Additional Motor Fuel Tax Funds for Microsurfacing of Streets and Highways by Municipality Under the Illinois Highway Code, City Project 2015-24, was presented.

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

Public Works Director Rick Marley explained the appropriation of Motor Fuel Tax Funds is cash flow and as the City pays contractors for work done, the City will immediately bill the surrounding communities. Councilman Jerry Dawson asked when the Greendale project will take place. Public Works Director Rick Marley said it was expected to start in early June and finish in early July.

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

R2016-52 Resolution Accepting the Bid and Authorizing the Execution of a Contract with Microsurfacing Contractors, LLC for Microsurfacing, City Project 2015-24, was presented.

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

Public Works Director Rick Marley explained microsurfacing is an excellent preventative maintenance technique for pavements.

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

R2016-53 Resolution to Appropriate Motor Fuel Tax Funds for Lighting Component Replacement on U.S. Route 36 Bridge over Lake Decatur by Municipality under the Illinois Highway Code, City Project 2015-01, was presented.

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

Public Works Director Rick Marley said the project is to rehabilitate the lights on the bridge. The project is not connected to the Decatur Park District's proposed lighting of the bridges presented at the Special Joint City Council and Decatur Park District meeting.

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

R2016-54 Resolution Accepting the Bid and Authorizing the Execution of a Contract with Bodine Electric of Decatur for Bridge Lighting Replacement, City Project 2015-01, was presented.

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

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

abstained. Six ayes; one abstention. Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

R2016-55 Resolution Authorizing Approval of Quote of Presidio (Formerly Netch Corporation) for Citywide Voice (Phone System) Upgrade, was presented.

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

Councilman Chris Funk inquired about the useful life of the system. MIS Manager Jim Edwards explained the maintenance costs going forward would be approximately \$1,500 a year. There would be a savings, but it is based on the calls made. Councilman Chris Funk asked if the City would be paying more in the future for the system. MIS Manager Jim Edwards said the current system has reached its age and the new system gives the City opportunities to deliver phone services at a lower cost.

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

R2016-56 Resolution Authorizing Approval of Capital Lease with Presidio Technology Capital for Citywide Voice (Phone System) Upgrade, was presented.

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

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

R2016-57 Resolution Authorizing Contract, Single Stream Recycling Program, Midwest Fiber Inc., was presented.

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

Assistant City Manager Billy Tyus gave an overview of the success of the recycling program and the proposed five year agreement based on the value of the materials. Councilman Jerry Dawson asked if it would be better to have a shorter contract in case some of the prices change. Assistant City Manager Billy Tyus explained there is a cap on the amount the City would pay. Councilwoman Dana Ray asked if the City had reimbursed the Water Fund for the receptacles. Assistant City Manager Billy Tyus said it would be paid by 2017.

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

R2016-58 Resolution Authorizing City Manager to Execute a Contract with MidAmerican Energy Services, LLC, for Electricity Supply Services, was presented.

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

City Manager Tim Gleason announced Item No. 13, Resolution Authorizing City Manager to Execute a Contract with Illinois Power Marketing d/b/a Homefield Energy for Electricity Supply Services and Item No. 14, Resolution Authorizing City Manager to Execute a Contract with Constellation Energy Services, Inc. for Electricity Supply Services were pulled because the contract with MidAmerican Energy Services is proposed by staff for Council approval.

CQI, Associates, Principal Richard Anderson gave an overview of the previous agreements with the City and explained the reason for the rate increase is because the state utility commission and the basic utility grid in October 2015 passed a capacity rate increase to all rate payers. Even though a \$153,000 increase is significant from where we have been, the increase is warranted and merited mainly because of the regulatory increase. Councilman Pat McDaniel asked if the Clinton Power Plant closes will it have any effect on the rates. Mr. Anderson said the problem in Illinois is the system capacity. Illinois is trying to add capacity to the system and pass the cost on to the rate payers. Councilman Chris Funk asked Mr. Anderson to explain state mandated increase rate for capacity. Mr. Anderson said basically when someone demands energy to do work, there needs to be enough reserve capacity in the system to meet their needs, so everyone has to pay a kilowatt charge a reserve every month.

Upon call of the roll, Councilmen Pat McDaniel, Dana Ray, Jerry Dawson, Bill Faber, Chris Funk, Lisa Gregory 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 C and asked if any Council member wished to have an item removed from Consent Calendar.

The Clerk read Items A – C

A. Receiving and Filing of Minutes of Boards

B. R2016-59 Resolution Approving Appointments to Human Relations Commission

C. 2016-27 Ordinance Authorizing Consumption of Alcoholic on Public Rights-of-Way – Decatur Celebration, Inc. – French Fried 5k & Street Party

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

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

This being the time set aside for Other Business, and there being none, Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe called to Recess to a Study Session for the Treasurer's Financial Report.

Councilman Jerry Dawson moved to recess to Study Session; seconded by Councilman Pat McDaniel.

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

Comptroller Melinda Hawbaker gave the Treasurer's Financial Report.

Councilman Jerry Dawson moved to recess to Closed Executive Session for the Purpose of a Discussion Regarding the Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance, or Dismissal of Specific Employees of the Public Body; seconded by Councilwoman Dana Ray, and on call of the roll, Councilmen Pat McDaniel, Dana Ray, Jerry Dawson, Bill Faber, Chris Funk, Lisa Gregory and Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

Council went into Closed Executive Session at 6:57 p.m.

There being no further business, Councilman Chris Funk moved the regular Council meeting be adjourned; seconded by Councilwoman Dana Ray, and all were in favor by voicing no objections. Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe declared the Council meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

Approved June 6, 2016
Debra G. Bright
City Clerk