

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Monday, April 20, 2015

On Monday, April 20, 2015, 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 Michael T. McElroy presided; together with him being Councilmen Jerry J. Dawson, Larry W. Foster, Patrick S. Laegeler, Pat McDaniel, Julie Moore-Wolfe and Dana M. Ray. Seven members were present. Mayor McElroy declared a quorum present.

City Manager, Tim Gleason, attended the meeting as well.

Mayor McElroy led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The minutes of the meeting of April 6, 2015, were presented. Councilman Larry W. Foster moved the minutes be approved as written; seconded by Councilman Jerry J. Dawson, and on call of the roll, Councilmen Larry W. Foster, Pat McDaniel, Julie Moore-Wolfe, Dana M. Ray, Jerry J. Dawson, and Mayor McElroy voted aye. Patrick S. Laegeler, abstained. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

This being the time set aside for unfinished business and there being no unfinished business, the Mayor proceeded to New Business. There being no proclamations, Mayor McElroy recognized Councilmen Larry W. Foster and Patrick S. Laegeler and thanked them for their service on the City Council.

R2015-44 Resolution Designating Honorary Street – Horace G. Livingston was presented.

Councilman Patrick S. Laegeler moved the Resolution do pass; seconded by Councilman Patrick S. McDaniel. On call of the roll, Councilmen Larry W. Foster, Patrick S. Laegeler, Pat McDaniel, Julie Moore-Wolfe, Dana M. Ray, Jerry J. Dawson, and Mayor Michael T. McElroy voted aye. Mayor Michael T. McElroy declared the motion carried.

The Mayor introduced Sue Lawson of the Coalition of Neighborhood Organizations who provided the following dates/times of events in the community: Park City Rummage Sale, April 24, 2015, 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. and April 25, 2015, 8:00 a.m. – Noon; Bingo on May 5, 2015 and May 19, 2015; Ladies Luncheon on May 12, 2015. Ms. Lawson reported on the Easter Celebration at City of Praise Church in GM Square and that Francie and Angie would no longer be employed at Dove, Inc. because of budget cuts. Ms. Lawson reported that they had received a \$1,000.00 Pollination Grant for shrubs and plants to be planted in strategic places.

Richelle Irons, with Neighborhood Outreach, provided information about City Wide Spring Cleaning, which will be held the week of May 16, 2015 through May 22, 2015. Call 217-424-2783 for more information about City Wide Spring Cleaning.

2015-14 Ordinance Approving the Transfer of Volume Cap in Connection With Private Activity Bond Issues, and Related Matters was presented.

Councilman Julie Moore-Wolfe moved the Ordinance do pass; seconded by Councilman Pat McDaniel. On call of the roll, Councilmen Larry W. Foster, Patrick S. Laegeler, Pat McDaniel, Julie Moore-Wolfe, Dana M. Ray, Jerry J. Dawson, and Mayor Michael T. McElroy voted aye. Mayor Michael T. McElroy declared the motion carried.

R2015-45 Resolution Accepting the Bid and Authorizing the Execution of a Contract for Streetscape Festival Power Wiring, City Project 2014-27 was presented.

Councilman Larry W. Foster moved the Resolution do pass; seconded by Councilman Julie Moore-Wolfe. On call of the roll, Councilmen Larry W. Foster, Patrick S. Laegeler, Pat McDaniel, Julie Moore-Wolfe, Dana M. Ray, Jerry J. Dawson, and Mayor Michael T. McElroy voted aye. Mayor Michael T. McElroy declared the motion carried.

R2015-46 Resolution to Appropriate Motor Fuel Tax Funds to Improve the Approaches to the At-Grade Crossing of Ocean Trail Road and 27th Street with the CSX Railroad by Municipality Under the Illinois Highway Code, City Project 2015-05 was presented.

Councilman Jerry J. Dawson moved the Resolution do pass; seconded by Councilman Dana M. Ray. On call of the roll, Councilmen Larry W. Foster, Patrick S. Laegeler, Pat McDaniel, Julie Moore-Wolfe, Dana M. Ray, Jerry J. Dawson, and Mayor Michael T. McElroy voted aye. Mayor Michael T. McElroy declared the motion carried.

R2015-47 Resolution Authorizing Stipulated Agreement 1829 for Improvements to Ocean Trail Road Highway-Rail Grade Crossing North of US Route 36, City Project 2015-05 was presented.

Councilman Julie More-Wolfe moved the Resolution do pass; seconded by Councilman Patrick S. Laegeler. On call of the roll, Councilmen Larry W. Foster, Patrick S. Laegeler, Pat McDaniel, Julie Moore-Wolfe, Dana M. Ray, Jerry J. Dawson, and Mayor Michael T. McElroy voted aye. Mayor Michael T. McElroy declared the motion carried.

R2015-48 Resolution Authorizing Stipulated Agreement 1855 for Improvements to the 27th Street Highway-Rail Grade Crossing North of US Route 36, City Project 2015-05 was presented.

Councilman Jerry J. Dawson moved the Resolution do pass; seconded by Councilman Larry W. Foster. On call of the roll, Councilmen Larry W. Foster, Patrick S. Laegeler, Pat McDaniel, Julie Moore-Wolfe, Dana M. Ray, Jerry J. Dawson, and Mayor Michael T. McElroy voted aye. Mayor Michael T. McElroy declared the motion carried.

R2015-49 Resolution to Award Broker and Employee Benefit Consulting Services for Self-Insured Group Health Benefit Program to JL Hubbard dba SBSI Semonis was presented.

Councilman Patrick S. Laegeler moved the Resolution do pass; seconded by Councilman Julie Moore-Wolfe. On call of the roll, Councilmen Larry W. Foster, Patrick S. Laegeler, Pat McDaniel, Julie Moore-Wolfe, Dana M. Ray, Jerry J. Dawson, and Mayor Michael T. McElroy voted aye. Mayor Michael T. McElroy declared the motion carried.

Mayor Michael T. McElroy called for Consent Calendar Items A through D and asked if any Council member wished to have an item removed from Consent Calendar. Items A through D were approved by Omnibus Vote.

Councilman Pat McDaniel moved that Consent Calendar Items A through D be approved by Omnibus Vote; seconded by Councilman Jerry J. Dawson, and on call of the roll, Councilmen Larry W. Foster, Patrick S. Laegeler, Pat McDaniel, Julie Moore-

Wolfe, Dana M. Ray, Jerry J. Dawson, and Mayor Michael T. McElroy voted aye. Mayor Michael T. McElroy declared the motion carried.

Receiving and Filing of Minutes of Boards and Commissions,

R2015-50 Resolution Approving Appointments to Boards and Commissions

2015-15 Ordinance Authorizing Consumption of Alcoholic Liquor 100 Block South Oakland Avenue Between West Main Street and West Wood Street – Lock Stock & Barrel

2015-16 Ordinance Amending City Code Chapter 29 Delaying Increases in Minimum Fines for Administrative Adjudication of Offenses

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

1. Sherry Procaroine thanked out-going City Council members for their service and congratulated the Livingston family and friends. Ms. Procaroine requested that the upcoming Administrative Court Study Session include a study of the Ordinances or policies and review of line to line items. Ms. Procaroine requested that City Council check prior policy regarding tenants vacating and leaving the landlords with outstanding water bills.
2. Kit Paulin expressed her thanks and gratitude for Pat Laegeler's 15 years of service.
3. Don Carmichael shared his concerns about chemicals contributing to childhood diseases and asked that Council consider changing the neighborhood standards to be more environmental friendly for the sake of the children.
4. Sheila Watson-Livingston expressed that she was grateful and thanked the Council for remembering Horace G. Livingston.

This being the time for Other Business:

1. Pat McDaniel thanked the City Manager and City Staff for promptly taking care of a very potential serious traffic situation with a sign that was put on a business.
2. Larry Foster thanked his wife for her support. Mr. Foster cherished the time he served on the City Council and wished success to the City.
3. Patrick Laegeler thanked everyone for their kind words. Mr. Laegeler said that he considered it a privilege to serve for 16 years and appreciated the support from the community.
4. Mayor McElroy provided the website address for citizens to place their vote for Kraft Hockeyville.

Councilman Pat McDaniel moved to recess to study session for the Treasurer's Financial report; seconded by Councilman Julie Moore-Wolfe and on call of the roll, Councilmen Larry W. Foster, Patrick S. Laegeler, Pat McDaniel, Julie Moore-Wolfe, Dana M. Ray, Jerry J. Dawson, and Mayor Michael T. McElroy voted aye. Mayor Michael T. McElroy declared the motion carried. Gregg Zientara, Director of Financial Management, provided an overview of the financial report.

Councilman Patrick S. Laegeler moved to recess to closed executive session for the purpose of a discussion regarding collective bargaining matters; seconded by Councilman Pat McDaniel and on call of the roll, Councilmen Larry W. Foster, Patrick S. Laegeler, Pat McDaniel, Julie Moore-Wolfe, Dana M. Ray, Jerry J. Dawson, and Mayor McElroy voted aye. The Mayor declared the motion carried. Council went into closed executive session at 6:37 p.m.

There being no further business, Councilman Larry W. Foster moved the regular Council meeting be adjourned; seconded by Councilman Dana M. Ray, and on call of the roll Councilmen Larry W. Foster, Patrick S. Laegeler, Pat McDaniel, Julie Moore-Wolfe, Dana M. Ray, Jerry J. Dawson, and Mayor McElroy voted aye. The Mayor declared the Council meeting adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

Approved May 4, 2015

Debra G. Bright

City Clerk