

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE NORMAL TOWN COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, NORMAL CITY HALL, FOURTH FLOOR UPTOWN STATION, 11 UPTOWN CIRCLE, NORMAL, MCLEAN COUNTY, ILLINOIS – MONDAY, JUNE 6, 2016.

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Chris Koos called the regular meeting of the Normal Town Council to order at 7:00 p.m., Monday, June 6, 2016.

2. ROLL CALL:

The Clerk called the roll with the following persons physically

PRESENT: Mayor Chris Koos and Councilmembers Jeff Fritzen, Scott Preston, R.C. McBride, Kathleen Lorenz, Kevin McCarthy, and Cheryl Gaines. Also present were City Manager Mark Peterson, Deputy City Manager Pamela Reece, Corporation Counsel Brian Day, and Town Clerk Wendy Briggs.

ABSENT: None.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mayor Koos led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mayor Koos announced he had received a request to address the Council concerning the Amended Special Use Permit request for addition of cell tower equipment. Mr. Mike Bieniek, 10700 W. Higgins Road, Rosemont, IL, of LCC Telecom Services, representing T-Mobile, addressed the Council. Mr. Bieniek requested the landscaping requirements around the cell tower base be eliminated, just requiring the installation of a vinyl fence, as it was T-Mobile's interpretation of the Town's Code that would allow either a fence or plantings, or a combination thereof. Mr. Bieniek stated T-Mobile would have to lease additional area to accommodate any landscaping requirements.

Mayor Koos indicated Mr. Ron Ulmer had also requested the opportunity to address the Council. Mr. Ulmer, 1114 N. Linden, Normal, IL, offered suggestions to deal with "nuisance properties" and expressed concern with the use of Town funds to purchase such properties. Mr. Ulmer suggested a formalized process be put in place to deal with such "nuisance properties" and offered his assistance to aid in the development of such a process.

4. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:

Mayor Koos read aloud the Items to be considered by the Omnibus Vote Agenda.

A. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF MAY 16, 2016:

- B. APPROVAL OF TOWN OF NORMAL EXPENDITURES FOR PAYMENT AS OF JUNE 1, 2016:
- C. MOTION TO APPROVE RECOMMENDED HARMON ARTS GRANT AWARDS:
- D. RESOLUTION WAIVING THE FORMAL BIDDING PROCESS AND AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF FIVE (5) REPLACEMENT CARDIAC MONITOR/DEFIBRILLATORS FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AT A COST OF \$143,613.05:
- E. RESOLUTION TO WAIVE THE FORMAL BID PROCESS AND AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE OF AMMUNITION FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$29,575.00 FROM ULTRAMAX AMMUNITION:
- F. RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT A BID AND AUTHORIZE STAFF TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH CARPET WEAVERS, INC., FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF CARPETING ON THE THIRD FLOOR OF THE CHILDREN'S DISCOVERY MUSEUM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$25,371.00: Resolution No. 5289:
- G. RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT BIDS AND APPROVE A CONTRACT WITH STARK EXCAVATING, INC., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$116,531.50 FOR THE 2016 SUMP PUMP DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT: Resolution No. 5290:
- H. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT FOR TECHNICAL PLANNING SERVICES WITH THE MCLEAN COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION: Resolution No. 5291:
- I. RESOLUTION TO INCREASE CONTRACT WITH ROWE CONSTRUCTION FOR THE 2016 NON-MFT STREET RESURFACING IN THE AMOUNT OF APPROXIMATELY \$280,000.00 TO RESURFACE FIVE ADDITIONAL STREET SECTIONS: Resolution No. 5292:
- J. RESOLUTION CONDITIONALLY AND PARTIALLY APPROVING THE FINAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE LINDEN TRAILS PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT IN THE TOWN OF NORMAL (808 S. LINDEN STREET): Resolution No. 5293:
- K. ORDINANCE TEMPORARILY AMENDING PARKING RESTRICTIONS ON HESTER STREET DURING CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW APARTMENT BUILDING AT 608 HESTER: Ordinance No. 5640:
- L. ORDINANCE APPROVING AN AMENDED SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR THE ADDITION OF CELL TOWER EQUIPMENT (601 S. MAIN):

Councilmember McBride excused himself from voting on any bills submitted by WGLT.

Items D, E, and L were removed from the Omnibus Vote Agenda.

MOTION:

Councilmember McCarthy moved, seconded by Councilmember Fritzen, the Council Approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda.

AYES: Fritzen, Preston, McBride, Lorenz, McCarthy, Gaines, Koos.

NAYS: None.

Motion declared carried.

Mayor Koos announced Items A, B, C, F, G, H, I, J, and K were approved by the Omnibus Vote Agenda.

5. ITEMS REMOVED FROM OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:

- D. RESOLUTION WAIVING THE FORMAL BIDDING PROCESS AND AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF FIVE (5) REPLACEMENT CARDIAC MONITOR/DEFIBRILLATORS FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AT A COST OF \$143,613.05: Resolution 5294:

MOTION:

Councilmember Lorenz moved, seconded by Councilmember McCarthy, the Council Adopt a Resolution to Waive the Formal Bidding Process and Authorize the Purchase of Five (5) Replacement Cardiac Monitor/Defibrillators for the Fire Department at a Cost of \$143,613.05.

Councilmember Lorenz questioned the reasons behind waiving the bidding process on this purchase. City Manager Mark Peterson explained a group had evaluated the products from two manufacturers and found this unit to be superior in functionality, compatibility and maintenance.

AYES: Preston, McBride, Lorenz, McCarthy, Gaines, Fritzen, Koos.

NAYS: None.

Motion declared carried.

- E. RESOLUTION TO WAIVE THE FORMAL BID PROCESS AND AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE OF AMMUNITION FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$29,575.00 FROM ULTRAMAX AMMUNITION: Resolution No. 5295:

MOTION:

Councilmember Lorenz moved, seconded by Councilmember McCarthy, the Council Adopt a Resolution to Waive the Formal Bid Process and Authorize the Purchase of Ammunition for the Police Department in the Amount of \$29,575.00 from Ultramax Ammunition.

Councilmember Lorenz posed questions for clarification purposes concerning the need to waive the bids on this item. City Manager Mark Peterson and Police Chief Rick Bleichner indicated the state bid system does not offer all the types of ammunition needed by the Town and a better price could be obtained by purchasing all the ammunition from one source.

AYES: McBride, Lorenz, McCarthy, Gaines, Fritzen, Preston, Koos.

NAYS: None.

Motion declared carried.

L. ORDINANCE APPROVING AN AMENDED SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR THE ADDITION OF CELL TOWER EQUIPMENT (601 S. MAIN): Ordinance No. 5641:

MOTION:

Councilmember Fritzen moved, seconded by Councilmember Preston, the Council Approve an Ordinance Approving an Amended Special Use Permit for the Addition of Cell Tower Equipment (601 S. Main Street).

Councilmember Fritzen stated the addition of a vinyl fence will be an improvement to this property and expressed concern with the upkeep of landscaping when it is required in situations such as this one. Mayor Koos asked the representative if the fence was going to be solid vinyl or a chain-link fence with vinyl strips in the links. The representative indicated it would be a solid vinyl fence. Councilmember Lorenz posed questions for clarification purposes, which were responded to by City Manager Mark Peterson.

Town Planner Mercy Davison indicated the Zoning Board of Appeals was sympathetic to the applicant, due to the need to lease additional land to satisfy the landscaping requirements, however staff thought the need for both fencing and the landscaping were reasonable requests for this site. Councilmember Gaines expressed concern with the request to waive the requirement for the landscaping, stating the ordinances setting forth these requirements have been in place for a considerable amount of time and does not see the need to allow waivers to these ordinances. Corporation Counsel Brian Day clarified the requirements for screening specific to telecommunication towers require both the fencing and the landscaping.

Councilmember Fritzen reiterated his concern with upkeep to landscaping requirements.

AYES: Lorenz, McCarthy, Gaines, Preston, McBride.

NAYS: Fritzen, Koos.

Motion declared carried.

GENERAL ORDERS:

6. ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF TOWN PROPERTY LOCATED AT 513 N. SCHOOL TO ISAAC GAFF FOR THE SUM OF \$70,000: Ordinance No. 5642:

MOTION:

Councilmember Preston moved, seconded by Councilmember McBride, the Council Approve the Ordinance Authorizing the Sale of Town Property Located at 513 N. School to Isaac Gaff for the Sum of \$70,000.

Councilmember Preston posed questions for clarification purposes, which were responded to by Building Commissioner Greg Troemel. Mr. Troemel indicated the Inspection Department had compiled a list of required improvements on the house, which conditions must be made to revert the homes to single-family homes. General Council discussion ensued pertaining to the value of the property as it currently exists, as well as the value to the neighborhood by reverting the house back to a single-family home.

AYES: McCarthy, Gaines, Fritzen, Preston, McBride, Lorenz, Koos.

NAYS: None.

Motion declared carried.

7. ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF TOWN PROPERTY LOCATED AT 614 N. SCHOOL TO DAVID GESHIWLM FOR THE SUM OF \$45,000: Ordinance No. 5643:

MOTION:

Councilmember Fritzen moved, seconded by Councilmember McCarthy, the Council Approve the Ordinance Authorizing the Sale of Town Property Located at 614 N. School to David GeshiwlM for the Sum of \$45,000.

Councilmember Lorenz expressed concern with the estimated completion time-frame of 2 to 3 years for the improvements to the structure. City Manager Mark Peterson indicated the owner intended to do most of the work himself, therefore it will take longer.

AYES: Gaines, Fritzen, Preston, McBride, Lorenz, McCarthy, Koos.

NAYS: None.

Motion declared carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

There were no items of New Business to be considered.

8. CONCERNS:

There were no concerns.

9. ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Koos called for a Motion to Adjourn.

MOTION:

Councilmember Fritzen moved, seconded by Councilmember Gaines, the Regular Meeting of the Normal Town Council be Adjourned.

AYES: Fritzen, Preston, McBride, Lorenz, McCarthy, Gaines, Koos.

NAYS: None.

Motion declared carried.

Mayor Chris Koos adjourned the regular meeting of the Normal Town Council at 8:14 p.m., Monday, June 6, 2016.