

Ottawa, Illinois
April 29, 2015
6:00 p.m.

Special meeting of the Council of the City of Ottawa, Illinois

Present: Commissioners Dan Aussem, Wayne Eichelkraut, Dale Baxter, James Less,
and Mayor Eschbach.

Absent: None.

Commissioner Aussem reminded of the Field's Hill meeting at 7:00 p.m. tonight and wondered about force annexing or not.

Commissioner Baxter commented that a bus driver resigned and he will have a replacement on next Council agenda.

Mayor Eschbach presented Ordinance.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that an Ordinance amending Chapter 10, Section 10-42 paragraph a of the Municipal Code of the City of Ottawa, LaSalle County, Illinois, increasing the number of restaurant licenses to 20, be passed and approved.

Second by Baxter.

Ayes: Aussem, Eichelkraut, Less, Baxter, and Mayor Eschbach.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

A discussion was held regarding the 2015 Downtown Streetscape Project. The Mayor mentioned cleaning up and greening a few parking lots. First being the AT & T lot by removing some asphalt and planting trees and flowers. Second lot across from Home hardware by the Radium Girl monument by the removal of gravel. Thirdly, LaSalle Street from Superior Street to Lafayette Street in front of Illinois Office Supply and St. Columba School, still have 7 foot wide sidewalks and have plenty of room. Trees and flowers will fit by Ottawa Funeral Home, Strehl's Ottawa Savings Bank, Haeberle Real Estate, and Dooley Insurance. Commissioner Aussem stated he wanted no bump outs and that this project is not in the new budget.

Mayor Eschbach presented motion to recess.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that this Council recess into Closed Session to discuss matters of the sale of real estate and personnel.

Second by Eichelkraut.

Commissioner Eichelkraut invited Tom Ganiere into Closed Session.

Ayes: Aussem, Eichelkraut, Less, Baxter, and Mayor Eschbach.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Commissioner Aussem and Less excused themselves at 7:02 and 7:03 respectively.

Mayor Eschbach presented motion to reconvene.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that this Council reconvene from Closed Session.

Second by Eichelkraut.

Ayes: Eichelkraut, Baxter, and Mayor Eschbach.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Eschbach presented motion to adjourn.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that this special meeting be adjourned.

Second by Eichelkraut.

Ayes: Eichelkraut, Baxter, and Mayor Eschbach.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Council adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shelly L. Munks

