

Ottawa, Illinois
December 16, 2014

Regular meeting of the Council of the City of Ottawa, Illinois.

Present: Daniel F. Aussem, Wayne A. Eichelkraut Jr., James J. Less, Dale F. Baxter,
and Mayor Robert M. Eschbach.

Absent: None.

Commissioner Baxter presented minutes of previous meetings.

Moved by Commissioner Baxter that the minutes of a regular meeting of the Council of the City of Ottawa, Illinois, held on Tuesday, December 2, 2014, and the minutes of a special meeting held on Monday, December 8, 2014, be approved as recorded in the permanent files of the City Clerk.

Second by Eichelkraut.

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Jerry Corcoran, president of IVCC, thanked the Council for the components of the lease extension agreement for the Ottawa campus. Jerry was very complimentary of the City.

Lorraine McCallister, a member of the Reddick Mansion Association Board, read a prepared statement to the Council speaking on behalf of the RMA Board. They reminded the Council that they missed out on a grant opportunity and questioned the recent real estate purchases regarding Thornton Park and the property located on Court Street.

Commissioner Eichelkraut presented Biweekly Salary Payroll.

Moved by Commissioner Eichelkraut that the Biweekly Salary Payroll of December 5, 2014, in the amount of \$332,234.76, be approved and warrants issued.

Second by Less.

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Commissioner Eichelkraut presented Monthly Expense Report.

Moved by Commissioner Eichelkraut that the Monthly Expense Report of December 16, 2014, showing expenses in the amount of \$1,393,102.29, be approved and warrants issued.

Second by Baxter.

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Commissioner Eichelkraut presented Monthly Salary Payroll.

Moved by Commissioner Eichelkraut that the Monthly Salary Payroll of December 8, 2014, in the amount of \$22,540.00, be approved and warrants issued.

Second by Baxter.

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Commissioner Eichelkraut presented Monthly Financial Report.

Moved by Commissioner Eichelkraut that the Monthly Financial Report of City Clerk, Shelly L. Munks, for the month of November 2014, be received and placed on file.

Second by Aussem.

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Commissioner Eichelkraut presented Ordinance.

Moved by Commissioner Eichelkraut that an Ordinance levying taxes in the City of Ottawa, LaSalle County, Illinois for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2014, and ending April 30, 2015, and authorizing the City Clerk of the City of Ottawa to certify to the County Clerk of LaSalle County, Illinois, the several amounts required to be raised by taxation for the corporate purposes, of said City for said fiscal year, which has been on file for public inspection since December 2, 2014, be passed and approved.

Second by Baxter.

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Commissioner Aussem presented Resolution.

Moved by Commissioner Aussem that a Resolution authorizing the execution of a lease agreement between the City of Ottawa and Illinois Valley Community College, be received and placed on file for public inspection.

Second by Eichelkraut.

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Commissioner Baxter presented Resolution.

Moved by Commissioner Baxter that a Resolution approving and authorizing the execution of an employment agreement for an appointed city official in John Kinnison as part time NCAT bus driver, which has been on file for public inspection since December 2, 2014, be adopted.

Second by Eichelkraut.

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Eschbach presented Resolution.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that a Resolution authorizing the execution of a contract sale of real estate between the City of Ottawa and Edmund B. Thornton Foundation, which has been on file for public inspection since December 8, 2014, be adopted.

Second by Aussem.

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Eschbach presented Resolution.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that a Resolution authorizing the execution of an access agreement between Nicor Gas Company and Commonwealth Edison Company, which has been on file for public inspection since December 8, 2014, be adopted.

Second by Baxter.

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Eschbach presented Resolution.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that a Resolution authorizing the execution of an amendment to an agreement between the City of Ottawa and Parsons Brinckerhoff Inc., be received and placed on file for public inspection.

Second by Aussem.

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Eschbach presented Resolution.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that a Resolution approving the assignment of the legal services agreement between the City of Ottawa, Illinois, and Pool, Leigh, and Kopko P.C. to the Cantlin Law Firm, be adopted.

Second by Aussem.

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Eschbach presented Resolution.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that a Resolution authorizing the execution of a professional services agreement between the City of Ottawa and Fehr Graham, regarding an USEPA brownfields assessment grant extension, which has been on file for public inspection since December 2, 2014, be adopted.

Second by Eichelkraut.

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Eschbach presented motion.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that the Re-subdivision of Heritage Harbor's East Peninsula Unit 101, formally known as Unit 1, be approved per Staff recommendation.

Second by Less.

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Eschbach presented motion to recess.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that this Council recess into Closed Session to discuss matters of real estate acquisition.

Second by Eichelkraut.

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Council recessed at 7:18 p.m.

Mayor Eschbach presented motion to reconvene.

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

Second by Less.

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Eschbach presented motion to adjourn.

Moved by Mayor Eschbach that this meeting be adjourned.

Second by Eichelkraut.

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Council recessed at 7:49 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Shelly L. Munks, City Clerk