

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE NORMAL TOWN COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, NORMAL CITY HALL, 100 E. PHOENIX AVENUE, NORMAL, MCLEAN COUNTY, ILLINOIS – MONDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2008.

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Chris Koos called the Regular Meeting of the Normal Town Council to order at 7:03 p.m., Monday, November 3, 2008.

2. ROLL CALL:

The Clerk called the roll with the following persons physically

PRESENT: Mayor Chris Koos and Councilmembers Sonja Reece, Adam Nielsen, Jeff Fritzen, Chuck Scott, Jason Chambers, and Cheryl Gaines. Also present were City Manager Mark Peterson, Assistant City Manager Pamela Reece, Corporation Counsel Steve Mahrt, and Town Clerk Wendy Briggs.

ABSENT: None.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mayor Koos led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

4. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:

Mayor Koos excused himself from voting on any bills he may have incurred while performing his Mayoral duties.

Councilmember Reece excused herself from voting on any bills submitted by BroMenn Healthcare and any bills she may have incurred while performing her Council duties.

Councilmember Fritzen excused himself from voting on any bills submitted by Bloomington Offset Process, Inc.

Items E, F, and H were removed from the Omnibus Vote Agenda.

MOTION:

Councilmember Reece moved, seconded by Councilmember Nielsen, the Council Approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda.

AYES: Reece, Nielsen, Fritzen, Scott, Chambers, Gaines, Koos.

NAYS: None.

Motion declared carried.

A. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 20, 2008: Omnibus Vote.

B. APPROVAL OF TOWN OF NORMAL EXPENDITURES FOR PAYMENT AS OF OCTOBER 29, 2008: Omnibus Vote.

C. MOTION TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID FROM M/C UNITED FENCE COMPANY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$18,445 FOR THE INSTALLATION OF FENCING AT MAXWELL PARK SOUTH BALL DIAMONDS, AND

AUTHORIZATION OF STAFF TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH M/C UNITED FOR THE PROJECT: Omnibus Vote.

- D. MOTION TO ACCEPT A BID FROM CHIEF CITY MECHANICAL TO INSTALL NEW INTERNAL WATER LINES AT THE COMMUNITY ACTIVITY CENTER: Omnibus Vote.
- G. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN EXTENSION AND RATE ADJUSTMENT TO A CONTRACT WITH LAESCH ELECTRIC, INC., FOR TRAFFIC CONTROL EQUIPMENT AND HIGHWAY LIGHTING MAINTENANCE: Resolution No. 4287: Omnibus Vote.

5. ITEMS REMOVED FROM OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:

- E. MOTION TO WAIVE THE FORMAL BID PROCESS AND ACCEPT A QUOTE FROM ECKHARDT BUILDERS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$17,979.52 FOR THE INSTALLATION OF EIGHT CIRALIGHTS AT THE COMMUNITY ACTIVITY CENTER:

MOTION:

Councilmember Reece moved, seconded by Councilmember Nielsen, the Council Waive the Formal Bid Process and Accept a Quote from Eckhardt Builders in the Amount of \$17,979.52 for the Installation of Eight Ciralights at the Community Activity Center.

Councilmember Reece posed questions for clarification purposes, which questions were responded to by Assistant to the City Manager Geoff Fruin.

AYES: Reece, Nielsen, Fritzen, Scott, Chambers, Gaines, Koos.

NAYS: None.

Motion declared carried

- F. MOTION ACCEPTING A PROPOSAL SUBMITTED BY THE HILE GROUP FOR FACILITATION SERVICES ASSOCIATED WITH THE DEVELOPMENT OF A COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY PLAN AND APPROVING A REQUIRED BUDGET AMENDMENT:

MOTION:

Councilmember Nielsen moved, seconded by Councilmember Gaines, the Council Accept a Proposal Submitted by the Hile Group for Facilitation Services Associated with the Development of a Community Sustainability Plan and Approving a Required Budget Amendment.

Councilmember Nielsen posed questions concerning the selection and composition of the community stakeholder groups. Mayor Koos responded that input will be taken from a broad spectrum of voices in the community and will also include suggestions for members of the group from Council, as well as including two Councilmembers in the group.

AYES: Reece, Nielsen, Fritzen, Scott, Chambers, Gaines, Koos.

NAYS: None.

Motion declared carried

H. ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 6.4-16 OF THE FIRE PREVENTION CODE TO INCLUDE LANGUAGE REGULATING THE INSTALLATION AND USE OF OUTDOOR HEATERS IN PUBLIC ASSEMBLY AREAS:
Ordinance No. 5220:

MOTION:

Councilmember Fritzen moved, seconded by Councilmember Gaines, the Council Approve an Ordinance Amending Section 6.4-16 of the Fire Prevention Code to Include Language Regulating the Installation and Use of Outdoor Heaters in Public Assembly Areas.

Councilmember Fritzen expressed concern with current businesses having to “retro-fit” existing outdoor areas and questioned the costs involved to bring the outdoor areas up to code. Fire Chief Jim Watson gave a brief background of this proposed ordinance and responded to questions from Council.

AYES: Reece, Nielsen, Fritzen, Scott, Chambers, Gaines, Koos.

NAYS: None.

Motion declared carried

6. GENERAL ORDERS:

None.

7. NEW BUSINESS:

None.

8. CONCERNS:

1. UPTOWN “TREAT FEAST:”

Councilmember Chambers thanked the Uptown merchants for the Halloween “Treat Feast” on Thursday, October 30, 2008.

2. HAUNTED TRAIL:

Councilmember Reece questioned the attendance at the Haunted Trail on October 17, 18, 24, and 25. Parks and Recreation Director Garry Little responded that two of the nights were cancelled due to rain; however, the other two nights were very well attended with over 1,800 persons attending each evening.

9. ADJOURNMENT:

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

MOTION:

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

AYES: Reece, Nielsen, Fritzen, Scott, Chambers, Gaines, Koos.

NAYS: None.

Motion declared carried.

Mayor Koos adjourned the regular meeting of the Normal Town Council at 7:20 p.m., Monday, November 3, 2008.