

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MAYOR
AND THE COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE OF
THE CITY OF EAST MOLINE, ILLINOIS
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2019**

ROLL CALL

Mayor Freeman called the meeting to order and directed City Clerk Arletta D. Holmes to call the roll. The following Aldermen were present: Gary Almblade, Frederic Kotoku, Maria Tapia, and Jose Rico. **Absent:** Alissa Sallows, Nancy Mulcahey, and Ed DeJaynes. **6:50p.m. p.m.**

ADDITIONS/CORRECTIONS TO AGENDA

None.

AMUSEMENT TAX AND PLACES FOR EATING TAX – (Ms. Whiting, Finance Director)

Currently the City has an Ordinance outlined in Title 3, Chapter 15 to levy an admissions tax on every person who pays an admission charge to any automobile. The current rate is \$0.25 per person and excludes persons under the age of 12 and over the age of 64. Staff proposes amending this Chapter by deleting it in its entirety and replacing it with Amusement tax. This would encompass all amusements within the City of East Moline and as defined by the attached at a rate of 3% of the gross payments made in the form of fees or charges for admission.

- **Payments would be made directly to the City and there would be no restrictions on the use of revenue.**

Title 3, Chapter 16 Horse Race Meetings would also be amended by deleting it in its entirety and replacing with a Places for Eating Tax. This would apply to any and all establishments in which food and/or drink (including alcohol) is sold at retail for immediate consumption. A tax of 2% of gross receipts received for said food and/or drink would apply.

- **Payments would be made directly to the City and there would be no restrictions on the use of revenue.**

Title 3, Chapter 17, Movie Theaters would also be repealed in its entirety as it would no longer apply and be included in the new Amusement Tax.

This is not a budgeted item. This is not a CIP Project.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of the amendment to Title 3, Chapter 15 and 16 to be replaced with Amusement Tax and Places for Eating tax, respectively, and to repeal Chapter 17 in its entirety.

A motion was made by Alderman Almblade, seconded by Alderman Rico, to concur with the recommendation as presented. Upon roll call the following voted in favor: Almblade, Frederic, Tapia, and Rico. Motion carried.

TITLE 6, CHAPTER 3 – POLICE REGULATIONS AMENDMENT - (Ms. Whiting, Finance)

Title 3, Chapter 15, Section 9: Hours of operation would be repealed with the approval of the new Amusement Tax previously discussed. This section states that no automobile race shall be operated or conducted after 10:15p.m. This section, as proposed, would amend Title 6, Chapter 3 to add 6-3-56: Operation of Automobile Races after 10:15 p.m. This new section would prohibit automobile races within the City of East Moline after 10:15p.m. and impose a penalty should the ordinance be violated.

FINANCIAL:

This is a budgeted item.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of the amendment to Title 6, Chapter 3 by adding 6-3-56: Operation of Automobile Races after 10:15p.m.

A motion was made by Alderman Almblade, seconded by Alderman Tapia, to concur with the recommendation as presented. Upon roll call the following voted in favor: Almblade, Frederic, Tapia, and Rico. Motion carried.

VEHICLE REPLACEMENT - INSPECTIONS - (Mr. Lambrecht, Director of Maintenance Services)

Maintenance Services Department received a quote from Reynolds Ford for a 2019 Ford Escape SE 4WD for the Inspections Department from the State Bid. This will replace a 2008 Crown Vic with 157,160 miles. The 2019 Ford Escape a smaller yet versatile truck will be able to haul tools and inspection equipment will provide cost savings from repairs and fuel.

- **Base Bid \$28,000.00 our price with title and M Plates - \$23,306.48**

The Crown Vic will not be traded in, as we will reserve for the new Health Inspector Vehicle at this time.

FINANCIAL:

This is a budgeted item.

Line Item#: 001-4308-743.0 and 011-2282.06 **Title:** Capital Improvements – New Vehicle
Actual Cost: \$23,306.48 **Funding Sources:** General / Inspections, Departmental Projects.
Departments: Inspections & Engineering

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the purchase for the vehicle from Reynolds Ford.

A motion was made by Alderman Rico, seconded by Alderman Almblade, to concur with the recommendation to purchase the 2019 Ford Escape in the amount of \$23,306.48 from Reynolds Ford. Upon roll call the following voted in favor: Almblade, Frederic, Tapia, and Rico. Motion carried.

DISSOLUTION OF THE CONSOLIDATED PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS AGREEMENT (Chief John Reynolds, EMPD)

The creation of QComm911 as the City of East Moline’s Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) has necessitated the dissolution of the prior Consolidated Public Communications Agreement (CPSCA) BETWEEN East Moline and Moline that was signed in 1998 and renewed in 2008. The Moline/East Moline Consolidated Public Safety Communications Board met on February 6, 2019 and voted to dissolve the Center Operations and dispose of any remaining matters.

Any remaining property of the Center shall be declared surplus and disposed of by Moline in the manner most advantageous to the parties, whether by auction, sealed bid or otherwise. Moline will remit 40% of the proceeds from disposal of the surplus property to East Moline, which represents the last cost split for the operation of the Center. The remaining equipment necessary for operation of QComm911 that is located in Centre Station shall remain there pursuant to a separate agreement between Moline and MetroLINK.

FINANCIAL:

This is not a budgeted item.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the dissolution of the Consolidated Public Safety Communications Agreement and disposal of the surplus property.

A motion was made by Alderman Almblade, seconded by Alderman Tapia, to concur with the recommendation as presented. Upon roll call the following voted in favor: Almblade, Frederic, Tapia, and Rico. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Alderman Tapia, seconded by Alderman Rico, to adjourn the Committee-of-the-Whole meeting. Upon roll call the following voted in favor: Almblade, Frederic, Tapia, and Rico.

Motion carried. **7:00 p.m.**

Minutes taken and submitted

Arletta D. Holmes, City Clerk