

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MAYOR
AND THE COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE OF
THE CITY OF EAST MOLINE, ILLINOIS
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2018**

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: Alissa Sallows, Gary Almblade, Ed DeJaynes, Gary Miller, Robert Cheffer, and Jose Rico. **Absent:** Nancy Mulcahey **7:37p.m.**

ADDITIONS/CORRECTIONS TO AGENDA

None.

IMRF – CASH PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF HEALTH CARE (Ms. Petersen, Finance Director)

On December 15, 2017, the IMRF Board of Directors adopted a resolution stating that cash payments in lieu of or related to healthcare benefits could be considered pensionable income. The resolution requires that the employer's governing body must adopt by resolution that the cash payments related to healthcare benefits are to be reported as IMRF earnings. The adopted City resolution must be on file with IMRF. The City currently offers an incentive to those employees who chose not to be on the City's Health insurance plan. We have 18 employees that are receiving this incentive and total monthly cost to the City is \$3,300.

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt resolution that the cash payments related to healthcare benefits are to be reported as IMRF earnings.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

This resolution is similar to Resolution 15-17 approved by City Council on April 6, 2015 that includes car allowed and uniform allowance in IMRF earnings.

Alderman Almblade – stated that he is not in favor of this, because it increases the pension cost to the city, and he believes this should be a pay as you go plan.

A motion was made by Alderman Cheffer, seconded by Alderman Sallows, to concur with the recommendation to adopt a resolution that the cash payments related to healthcare benefits are to be reported as IMRF earnings. Upon roll call the following voted in favor: DeJaynes, Miller, Cheffer, Rico, and Sallows. **Oppose:** Almblade. Motion carried 5-1.

**SUPPLEMENT AGREEMENT FOR PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING (Mr. Miller,
Engineering Department)**

Supplemental Engineering Agreement for the Grand Illinois Trail.

This agreement is for additional engineering services for the completion of the East Moline portion of the Grand Illinois Trail. The project cost for the entire project from East Moline to Colona exceed the current award Grant funding for the project. The grant funding for this project must be obligated by September 21, 2018 to avoid a loss of funds and to avoid a possible payback of all dispersed funds. The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) has now approved of segmenting design and construction to match awarded funding. Both the East Moline and Silvis segments will be constructed at this time. A proposal from McClure Engineering (IMEG) showing the detailed scope of services required by IDOT is attached for review and consideration. The 2018 CIP has budgeted \$50,000 for MFT Grand Illinois Trail Engineering Services.

FINANCIAL:

This is a budgeted item.

Line Item# 950-4300-452.0 **Title:** MFT Construction **Amount Budgeted:** \$50,000.00
Actual Cost: \$37,765.48 **Under/Over:** \$12,234.52

Funding Sources: Motor Fuel Tax Funds This is a CIP CIP Project Number: 008-2018

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve Supplemental Agreement to move toward bid letting for construction.

DISCUSSION:

Mr. Morgan Mays, and Mr. Brett Fetter of IMEG gave a brief history and overview of the Grand Illinois Trail Project, which was started in 2010. This would be a shared project. After much discussion, comments and questions;

A motion was made by Alderman DeJaynes, seconded by Alderman Cheffer, to concur with the recommendation to approve the supplemental agreement to move this project forward. Upon roll call the following voted in favor: DeJaynes, Miller, Cheffer, Rico, Sallows, and Almlade. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Alderman DeJaynes, seconded by Alderman Miller, to adjourn the Committee-of-the-Whole meeting. Upon roll call the following voted in favor: DeJaynes, Miller, Cheffer, Rico, Sallows, and Almlade. Motion carried. **7:50 p.m.**

Minutes taken and submitted

Arletta D. Holmes, City Clerk

