

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MAYOR
AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST MOLINE,
COUNTY OF ROCK ISLAND, STATE OF ILLINOIS
*TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2018 6:30 P.M.***

PLEDGE

Mayor Freeman led the City Council and all those present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, followed by a moment of silence for the victims of the mass shooting in Parkland, Florida.

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 Almlade, Ed DeJaynes, Gary Miller, Robert Cheffer, Jose Rico, and Mayor Freeman. **Absent:** Nancy Mulcahey.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

CITY CLERK'S REPORT

City Clerk Holmes passed.

ADDITIONS/CORRECTIONS TO AGENDA:

None.

CONSENT AGENDA:

City Clerk Arletta D. Holmes read the Consent Agenda that included the following:

- a. Approval of the City Council Minutes of February 5, 2018.
- b. Approval of the Committee-of-the-Whole Minutes of February 5, 2018.
- c. Approval of Salaries for February 9, 2018 in the amount of \$406,525.05.
- d. Approval of Bills in the amount of \$291,316.24

A motion was made by Alderman Almlade, seconded by Alderman DeJaynes, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Upon roll call the following voted in favor: DeJaynes, Miller, Cheffer, Rico, Sallows, and Almlade. Motion carried.

REPORT BY MAYOR

PROCLAMATION:

2018 Women in Construction Week – There was no one in attendance to accept the proclamation.

PRESENTATION:

Mr. Randy Swanson of Quad City Speedway presented to the Mayor Freeman, the City Council and all those in attendance their tentative Annual Racing Schedule for 2018. The Season Opener will begin on April 8, 2018. The last day of racing will end on September 24, 2018 (See Attached Schedule).

ACTING CITY ATTORNEY LINCOLN SCOTT PRESENTED THE FOLLOWING ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

ORDINANCE 18-02: AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING THE NORTH HILL REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA; DIRECTING THE FINAL DISTRIBUTION OF SURPLUS FUNDS REMAINING IN THE SPECIAL TAX ALLOCATION FUND FOR THAT REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA, DISSOLVING THAT SPECIAL TAX ALLOCATION FUND

AND TERMINATING THE DESIGNATION OF THAT REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA AS A REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA BY REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 93-39, ALL AS REQUIRED BY THE TAX INCREMENT ALLOCATION REDEVELOPMENT ACT; AND CONCERNING RELATED MATTERS.

A motion was made by Alderman DeJaynes, seconded by Alderman Almlade, to waive the reading of **Ordinance 18-02**. Upon roll call the following voted in favor: DeJaynes, Miller, Cheffer, Rico, Sallows, and Almlade. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman DeJaynes, seconded by Alderman Almlade, to Adopt **Ordinance 18-02**. Upon roll call the following voted in favor: DeJaynes, Miller, Cheffer, Rico, Sallows, and Almlade. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE 18-03: AN ORDINANCE REPEALING CERTAIN ORDINANCES PREVIOUSLY ADOPTED APPROVING A REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AND PLAN FOR THE GATEWAY INDUSTRIAL PARK REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA, DESIGNATING SUCH REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA AND ADOPTING TAX INCREMENT ALLOCATION FINANCING WITHIN SUCH REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA; AND CONCERNING RELATED MATTERS.

City Administrator Girdler - gave additional background information regarding **Ordinance 18-03**.

A motion was made by Alderman Miller, seconded by Alderman Almlade, to waive the reading of **Ordinance 18-03**. Upon roll call the following voted in favor: DeJaynes, Miller, Cheffer, Rico, Sallows, and Almlade. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Miller, seconded by Alderman Almlade, to Adopt **Ordinance 18-03**. Upon roll call the following voted in favor: DeJaynes, Miller, Cheffer, Rico, Sallows, and Almlade. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 18-04: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST MOLINE, ILLINOIS, AUTHORIZING APPROVAL OF THE BID FROM J.L. BRADY COMPANY, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$11,063.00, FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF A HVAC UNIT FOR THE WATER FILTRATION PLANT, EAST MOLINE, ILLINOIS.

A motion was made by Alderman Almlade, seconded by Alderman Miller, to approve **Resolution 18-04**. Upon roll call the following voted in favor: DeJaynes, Miller, Cheffer, Rico, Sallows, and Almlade. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 18-05: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST MOLINE, ILLINOIS, APPROVING AND ACCEPTING THE BID FROM NORTHERN FILTER MEDIA, INC. FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF THE FILTER MEDIA AT THE WATER FILTRATION PLANT IN THE CITY OF EAST MOLINE.

A motion was made by Alderman Almlade, seconded by Alderman Sallows, to approve **Resolution 18-05**. Upon roll call the following voted in favor: DeJaynes, Miller, Cheffer, Rico, Sallows, and Almlade. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 18-06: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST MOLINE, ILLINOIS, AUTHORIZING APPROVAL OF THE PURCHASE OF A REPLACEMENT ROAD PATCHER FROM ROLAND MACHINE COMPANY, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$191,186.13.

A motion was made by Alderman Almlade, seconded by Alderman DeJaynes, to table Resolution 18-06 until union negotiations are finalized. Upon roll call the following voted in favor: DeJaynes, Miller, and Almlade. Oppose: Cheffer, Rico, and Sallows. Motion tied 3-3. **Oppose:** Mayor Freeman.
Motion fails 4-3

A motion was made by Alderman Sallows, seconded by Alderman Rico, to approve **Resolution 18-06**. Upon roll call the following voted in favor: DeJaynes, Miller, Cheffer, Rico, and Sallows. **Oppose: Almlade**. Motion carried 5-1.

RESOLUTION 18-07: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST MOLINE, ILLINOIS, AUTHORIZING APPROVAL OF THE BID FROM PAUL CONWAY FIRE - LAKELAND, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$42,385.00, FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT FOR THE EAST MOLINE FIRE DEPARTMENT

A motion was made by Alderman Miller, seconded by Alderman Rico, to approve **Resolution 18-07**. Upon roll call the following voted in favor: DeJaynes, Miller, Cheffer, Rico, Sallows, and Almlade. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 18-08: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST MOLINE, ILLINOIS, APPROVING A STORM SEWER EASEMENT GIVEN TO THE CITY OF EAST MOLINE BY THE QUAD CITIES CHRISTIAN ASSEMBLY.

RESOLUTION 18-08 - Mr. Joseph Miller, Engineering gave additional background information regarding the storm sewer easement.

A motion was made by Alderman Almlade, seconded by Alderman Cheffer, to approve **Resolution 18-08**. Upon roll call the following voted in favor: DeJaynes, Miller, Cheffer, Rico, Sallows, and Almlade. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE (Alderman Sallows)

Alderman Sallows had no items for discussion. All items were covered under the Consent agenda, Resolution, or Ordinance.

CITY STAFF COMMUNICATION:

Each City Staff member present was given the opportunity to inform the City Council and those present of events in their departments:

John Reynolds, Chief EMPD- Chief Reynolds updated the City Council on their Community Outreach Program. The East Moline Police Department has partnered with Collision Repair Center and the East Moline School District #37.

- The lunch with a Cop Program started today. Collision Repair Center is providing the funding. The officer is getting lunch and meeting with the student that the school designates on a weekly basis.
- The EMPD is scheduling a youth Fishing Derby, to be held on Saturday, May 9, 2018 at the lower Butterworth Pond, from 10:00 a.m. to Noon., ages 5yrs. through 15 yrs.

Chief Reynolds thanked Collision Repair Center and the East Moline School District #37 for their community involvement.

Ms. Petersen, Finance Director – Ms. Petersen provided the City Council with a copy of Moody's Opinion. The City's general obligation debt credit rating has been downgraded to an A2 rating, from an A1 rating. Ms. Petersen also updated the City Council on Governor Rauner's 2018 Budget address to the General Assembly and how it will affect the City of East Moline.

- Governor Rauner has proposed using the 10% reduction (local government distributive funds) for one additional year, if passed by the General Assembly.
- He is recommending that Motor Fuel Tax and Replacement tax funding stay at the same level as it was this year, and that his budget also retains the 2% administrative fee for the Non-Home Rule sales tax.

Mayor Freeman - suggested that a letter should be sent from the City stating our opposition to this situation, and our representatives as well within the next week.

Mr. Gridler, City Administrator – Mr. Gridler stated that his items will be covered in Executive Closed Session.

Mr. Miller, Engineering Department – Mr. Miller informant the City Council that all the MFT Projects are moving forward. The seal coat, Hot mix overlay, Road surface, and Concrete patching. These projects should be brought to Council in early April with bids for approval. 7th Street watermain project should be brought to the next City Council meeting (March 5, 2018) for consideration.

Mr. Lambrecht, Director of Maintenances Services – Mr. Lambrecht informed the City Council that the crews our out tonight working on a couple of watermain breaks, it should be finished by tomorrow.

RECESS SESSION:

A motion was made by Alderman Almblade, seconded by Alderman DeJaynes, to recess the City Council meeting and go into the Closed Session to discuss the following: **Collective Bargaining, Acquisition of Property, and Personnel**. Upon roll call the following voted in favor: DeJaynes, Miller, Cheffer, Rico, Sallows, and Almblade. Motion carried. **6:55p.m.**

CLOSED SESSION:

A motion was made by Alderman Miller, seconded by Alderman Mulcahey, to go into Closed Session to discuss the following: **Collective Bargaining**. Upon roll call the following voted in favor: DeJaynes, Miller, Cheffer, Rico, Sallows, and Almblade. Motion carried. **6:56p.m.**

OPEN SESSION:

A motion was made by Alderman DeJaynes, seconded by Alderman Miller, to go back into the regular City Council meeting. Upon roll call the following voted in favor: DeJaynes, Miller, Cheffer, Rico, Sallows, and Almblade. Motion carried. **7:37p.m.**

No Action Taken in Closed Session

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Alderman Cheffer, seconded by Alderman Mulcahey, to adjourn the City Council meeting. Upon roll call the following voted in favor: DeJaynes, Miller, Cheffer, and Rico. Motion carried. **7:51p.m.**

Minutes taken and submitted by,

Arletta D. Holmes, City Clerk

