

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MAYOR
AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST MOLINE,
COUNTY OF ROCK ISLAND, STATE OF ILLINOIS
*MONDAY, MARCH 5, 2018 6:30 P.M.***

PLEDGE

Mayor Freeman led the City Council and all those present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag,

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, Nancy Mulcahey, Ed DeJaynes, Gary Miller, Robert Cheffer, and Jose Rico.

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 20, 2018.
- b. Approval of the Committee-of-the-Whole Minutes of February 20, 2018.
- c. Approval of Salaries for February 23, 2018 in the amount of \$434,040.56.
- d. Approval of Bills in the amount of \$504,475.95.

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

REPORT BY MAYOR

PROCLAMATION:

2018 Women in Construction Week

There was no one in attendance to accept the proclamation, due to the inclement weather. The proclamation will be sent via mail.

CITY ATTORNEY GRAHAM LEE PRESENTED THE FOLLOWING ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION 18-09: A RESOLUTION TO INCLUDE CASH PAYMENTS RELATED TO HEALTH INSURANCE AS IMRF EARNINGS.

A motion was made by Alderman Cheffer, seconded by Alderman DeJaynes, to approve **Resolution 18-09.**

DISCUSSION:

Alderman Almblade expressed his concerns regarding the effect this will have on the City's overall budget due to increasing pension cost. Alderman Almblade stated he would prefer a "pay as you go" plan.

Upon roll call the following voted in favor: Miller, Cheffer, Rico, and Sallows. **Opposed:** Almblade, Mulcahey, and DeJaynes. Motion carried **4-3**.

RESOLUTION 18-10: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST MOLINE, ILLINOIS, AUTHORIZING APPROVAL OF A SUPPLEMENTAL ENGINEERING AGREEMENT FOR THE GRAND ILLINOIS TRAIL FOR THE CITY OF EAST MOLINE.

A motion was made by Alderman Rico, seconded by Alderman Almblade, to approve **Resolution 18-10**. Upon roll call the following voted in favor: Miller, Cheffer, Rico, Sallows, Almblade, Mulcahey, and DeJaynes. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE (Alderman Almblade)

Alderman Almblade had no items for discussion. All items have been 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:

Mr. Reagan, Captain EMPD – Captain Reagan informed the City Council that in approximately one week we will be getting that eye sore out from on top of 7th Street hill big white truck.

Mr. Gridler, City Administrator – Mr. Gridler stated that the Special Service Area (SSA) Board met last week and decided to extend their façade program for another year. The SSA Board budgeted \$20,000 dollars and \$5,000 dollars each which is a 50% reimbursement of a \$10,000 project. There will be no more roof tops or interior grants provided in the façade grants this year. The SSA is anticipating, they will be able to provide at least 4 (Four) façade grants this year.

Mr. Miller, Engineering Department – Mr. Miller informed the City Council they are continuing working to get the Motor Fuel Tax (MFT) projects to the State of Illinois. They have another MFT project they are working on that will be turn into the State for consideration.

Mr. DeFrance, Fire Chief – Chief DeFrance stated that the replacement Firefighter that the City Council approved on January 16, 2018, was sworn in last week. He began his training at the Fire Academy in Springfield, Illinois this morning.

Mr. Lambrecht, Director of Maintenances Services – Mr. Lambrecht informed the City Council that the crews will be out filling in pot holes. If you have any concerned residents regarding pot holes please give us a call.

Mr. Drake, WWWT – Mr. Drake informed the City Council that J.L. Brady is scheduled to put in a new HAV system, that the City Council approved at the last Council meeting. JL Brady is expected to begin installation this week.

RECESS SESSION:

A motion was made by Alderman Mulcahey, seconded by Alderman Miller, to recess the City Council meeting and go into the Closed Session. Upon roll call the following voted in favor: Miller, Cheffer, Rico, Sallows, Almblade, Mulcahey, and DeJaynes. Motion carried. **6:41p.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: Miller, Cheffer, Rico, Sallows, Almblade, Mulcahey, and DeJaynes. Motion carried. **6:41p.m.**

RECONVENE SESSION:

A motion was made by Alderman Sallows seconded by Alderman Mulcahey, to go back into the regular City Council meeting. Upon roll call the following voted in favor: Almblade, Mulcahey, DeJaynes, Miller, Cheffer, and Rico. Motion carried. **7:25p.m.**

No Action Taken in Closed Session

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Alderman DeJaynes, seconded by Alderman Sallows, to adjourn the City Council meeting. Upon roll call the following voted in favor: Miller, Cheffer, Rico, Sallows, Almblade, Mulcahey, and DeJaynes. Motion carried. **7:25p.m.**

Minutes taken and submitted by,

Arletta D. Holmes, City Clerk