

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MAYOR
AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST MOLINE,
COUNTY OF ROCK ISLAND, STATE OF ILLINOIS
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 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, Maria Tapia, and Mayor Freeman.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mrs. Beverly Davidson – 858 45th Avenue, East Moline, Il. 61244 – Mrs. Davidson spoke on behalf of the residents of the Forest Hills area. Mrs. Davidson stated that since this planned sports complex is in a residential area there are many issues. Mrs. Davidson said that while they were extremely pleased a dilapidated Rehab Center previously on the site was gone, they were concerned how a sports complex would affect their neighborhood. Opponents of the plan stated that the project would increase traffic, noise and hurt their property values. They also cited parking, security concerns and questioned if the facility would be used solely for school related events or if it would be rented out to others. A copy of her presentation attached.

Mrs. Beverly Davidson provided the City Clerk with a Petition with 43 signatures from residents opposing the planned sports complex.

Alderman Rico arrived at 6:43p.m.

Pastor James Patrick – 900 46th Avenue, East Moline, Il. 61244 – Pastor Patrick assured the group that the school is open to restricting the use of the complex to the school only. Pastor Patrick said that for the most part, there is and will be adequate parking and the noise would be mostly confined to school hours.

Mayor Freeman informed the City Council and explained the process as to what will happen after the Church provides their site plan to the City. Mr. Kammler offered to work with the church on the site plan requirements. The Zoning Board will notify both parties of the Zoning Board meeting and at that time they will have the opportunity to address the Zoning Board. Then the Zoning Board will make a recommendation to the City Council.

Alderman Rico expressed support of the sports complex, saying the church was doing something great.

Alderman Mulcahey stated that this is Alderman Rico opinion not hers, and she would like to wait until additional information is provided before making a decision.

Marc Filby – 4643 9th Street, East Moline, IL – Mr. Filby made additional comments regarding adverse effect this will have on the community.

Mr. Paul DePauw – 315 N. State, Geneseo, Il. – Mr. DePauw track operator of the East Moline BMX Track (at the Rock Island County Fairgrounds) stated this past weekend they held the North Central Regional Gold Cup Championship, which was held in East Moline for the very first time. Mr. DePauw

thanked Mayor Freeman for coming to this special event. Mr. DePauw gave a brief overview of different activities going on at the BMX track. Mayor Freeman thanked Mr. DePauw for bringing this event to East Moline.

CITY CLERK'S REPORT

City Clerk Holmes informed the City Council and all those in attendance that the 2019 Election Packets will be available for pick-up on Tuesday, September 18, 2018 in the Office of the City Clerk, beginning at 8:00 a.m. until 5:00p.m. Offices up for Election: Wards 1, 2, 4, and 6. There will be no Primary Election if there are less than 5 people running for the same office. The Consolidate General Election will be held on Tuesday, April 2, 2019.

ADDITIONS/CORRECTIONS TO AGENDA:

None

CONSENT AGENDA:

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

- a. Approval of the City Council Minutes of September 4, 2018.
- b. Approval of the City Council Minutes of August 20, 2018.
- c. Approval of the Committee-of-the-Whole Minutes of September 4, 2018.
- d. Approval of Salaries for September 7, 2018 in the amount of \$463,466.07.
- e. Approval of Bills in the amount of \$704,711.56.

A motion was made by Alderman DeJaynes, seconded by Alderman Sallows, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Discussion:

Alderman Mulcahey inquired about payments of \$193,000 to the Bend infrastructure? Mr. Kammler gave a brief explanation regarding how the payments was disbursed. Alderman Mulcahey also questioned the TIF Agreement with REEDM and why did we pay them \$73,000? Administrator Girdler stated it was for Environmental Remediation regarding the lots.

Upon roll call the following voted in favor: Tapia, Rico, Sallows, Almlade, Mulcahey, DeJaynes, and Miller. Motion carried.

REPORT BY MAYOR

Mayor Freeman passed.

CITY ATTORNEY GRAHAM LEE PRESENTED THE FOLLOWING ORDINANCES:

ORDINANCE 18-09: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EAST MOLINE, AMENDING TITLE 8 "PUBLIC WAYS AND PROPERTY", CHAPTER 7 "CITY PARKS", SECTION 8-7-3 "TOBACCO FREE PARKS" OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF EAST MOLINE, ROCK ISLAND COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

A motion was made by Alderman Miller, seconded by Alderman Tapia, to waive the reading of **Ordinance 18-09**. Upon roll call the following voted in favor: Tapia, Rico, Sallows, Almlade, Mulcahey, DeJaynes, and Miller. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Sallows, seconded by Alderman Almlade, to approve **Ordinance 18-09**. Upon roll call the following voted in favor: Tapia, Rico, Sallows, Almlade, Mulcahey DeJaynes. and Miller. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE 18-10: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EAST MOLINE AMENDING TITLE 1, "ADMINSTRATIVE, TITLE" BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS" AND TITLE 4 "BUILDING REGULATIONS, OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF EAST MOLINE, ROCK ISLAND COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

A motion was made by Alderman Almlade, seconded by Alderman Sallows, to waive the reading of **Ordinance 18-10**. Upon roll call the following voted in favor: Tapia, Rico, Sallows, Almlade, Mulcahey, DeJaynes, and Miller. Motion carried.

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

ORDINANCE 18-11:AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EAST MOLINE, AMENDING TITLE 3 “BUSINESS REGULATIONS”, CHAPTER 7 “LIQUOR DEALERS”, SECTION 3-7-6 “LICENSE FEES”, OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF EAST MOLINE, ROCK ISLAND COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

A motion was made by Alderman Almlade, seconded by Alderman DeJaynes, to waive the reading of **Ordinance 18-11**. Upon roll call the following voted in favor: Tapia, Rico, Sallows, Almlade, Mulcahey, DeJaynes, and Miller. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Miller, seconded by Alderman DeJaynes, to approve **Ordinance 18-11**. Upon roll call the following voted in favor: Tapia, Rico, Sallows, Almlade, Mulcahey, DeJaynes, and Miller. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE (Alderman Almlade)

Alderman Almlade 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:

Chief Reynolds, EMPD Police Chief – Chief Reynolds announced that the Department hired two Police officers on Monday and they are at Police Academy in Springfield, Illinois. Due to the retirement of Captain Thomas Reagan they will be having a promotional Ceremony at the next City Council meeting on October 1.

Mr. Gridler, City Administrator – Mr. Gridler informed the City Council that Joseph Kuhlenbeck from the Inspections Department has submitted his resignation to take a job with the City of Moline. Mr. Gridler also stated that he and Mr. Kammler has interviewed a person for the Senior Engineer position which was budgeted under Water and Sewer.

Mayor Freeman and Administrator Girdler gave the City Council an update on Video Gaming licenses, which must be increased to 22 licenses because there were two places that are still in the process of being built that will also need the Gaming Boards approval.

Mr. Kammler, Director of Engineering – Mr. Kammler informed the City Council that they continue working construction projects within the City.

- 7th Street Project - Brandt Construction is making good progress. Brandt Construction continues working on ramps, curbs on the west side of the street when completed they will switch to the east side of the road when finished. This project is on schedule. (Continue coordinating with the school and Police Department.)
- 5th Avenue – Street is shut down due to construction.
- 2nd Street Storm Sewer project – continues to be on schedule.

- 172nd St North, Laud Construction was awarded the bid. Hampton Township Road Commissioner Gene Denhardt was gracious enough to open their road to allow the City's empty trucks out.

Alderman Miller asked if the school and bus service were notified that the access road would be closed to bus traffic? Mr. Kammler stated he would check into it.

Chief DeFrance – EMFD – Chief DeFrance has a type 2 rescue team that was put on standby at the request from the federal government possibly to go to North Carolina. That did not happen over the weekend and as time goes by we believe that will not happen. If that would happen, you would happen to read about or hear about it in the media. Chief DeFrance stated that FEMA pays 100% of the cost of any personnel involve. East Moline could have sent two Firefighters.

Mr. Lambrecht, Director of Maintenance Services – The flood gates have been deactivated and everything has opened.

Mr. Drake, WWTP Facilities Director – Mr. Drake informed City Council that they have started on the pole storage building at the Water Treatment Plant. The stair cases for outside the building is on order. We should have in the next two weeks and installed. At the Waste Water plant, we are working on concrete repaired. It is a tank that holds water and we have cracks that must be repaired.

Mayor Freeman announced that there will be no Closed Session tonight.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Alderman DeJaynes, seconded by Alderman Rico, to adjourn the City Council meeting. Upon roll call the following voted in favor: Tapia, Rico, Sallows, Almblade, Mulcahey, DeJaynes, and Miller. Motion carried. **7:30 p.m.**

Minutes taken and submitted by,

Arletta D. Holmes, City Clerk