

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MAYOR
AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST MOLINE,
COUNTY OF ROCK ISLAND, STATE OF ILLINOIS
*MONDAY, OCTOBER 1, 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:

Mr. Bill Norman, 4516 5th Street, East Moline, Illinois 61244 – Mr. Norman asked about the City Council discussion that was held on September 17, 2018 meeting concerning regulation of drones. Mr. Norman was informed that there was no discussion of this item because it was pulled from the agenda. The City was barred from enacting any ordinance contradicting or modifying a state law. Mr. Norman was also told that, by law, the City could not make Council minutes available to the public prior to the City Councils approval.

Ms. Paula Baker, 1082 51st Avenue East Moline, Illinois 61244 – Ms. Baker requesting bus bench be put back that was removed a couple of months ago. Ms. Baker contacted MetroLINK about why the bus bench was removed. MetroLINK stated that the City busses are too heavy and they are ruining the road. School busses come down this road, Garbage trucks come down twice a week. Then why can't we have a bench in front of our building. Mayor Freeman stated that he is aware of this issue and it was MetroLINK's decision. It was not the City's decision to take out the bench. Mayor Freeman stated that he is aware that MetroLINK is looking into having another bus stop between Archer Drive coming over to 11th Street. Ms. Baker presented a petition with 29 signatures to the City Council requesting that the bench be put back.

Ms. Pam Baker, 1020 50th Avenue East Moline, Illinois 61244 – Ms. Pam Baker had a complaint about people going through the red lights on 7th Street at the stop light will go through her stop light before hers changes. Mayor Freeman stated that the engineering department will check on the timing of the lights.

Ms. Bev Davidson, 858 45th Avenue East Moline, Illinois 61244 – Ms. Davidson voiced her objection to the sports complex planned by East Moline Christian School. Ms. Davidson questioned the City Council regarding zoning issues. She asked if the site plans had been submitted yet? Mr. Kammler replied that no site plan had been received. Mr. Kammler also stated that there is no statutory requirement that if someone such as the church is building something or doing something on their property that complies with the current zoning that the surrounding residents do not have to be notified. Mayor Freeman offered that Mr. Kammler could set up a meeting with up to five (5) residents adjacent to the complex to discuss their concerns and answer their questions.

CITY CLERK'S REPORT

City Clerk Holmes reminded everyone that the 2019 Election Packets are available for pick-up in the City Clerk's Office, Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. until 4:30p.m. The filing date is December 10th through December 17th, 2018.

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 17, 2018.
- b. Approval of the Committee-of-the-Whole Minutes of September 17, 2018.
- c. Approval of Salaries for September 21, 2018 in the amount of \$477,212.81.
- d. Approval of Bills in the amount of \$1,425,563.88.

Administrator Gridler explained the pay request #20 for The Bend an additional amount of \$278,144.65. Pending staff review. The request was received on Thursday, September 27, 2018. Mayor Freeman commented that the staff had to sign off and Mr. Kammler was on vacation and has yet to review it.

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

REPORT BY MAYOR

Mayor Freeman deferred the floor to Chief Reynolds to proceed with the presentation and ceremony.

EMPD PROMOTIONS CEREMONY (Chief Reynolds)

Chief Reynolds read the following Ceremonial Promotional Proclamation:

BE IT KNOWN,

The East Moline Police Department has reposed Special Trust and confidence in the Patriotism, Valor, Fidelity and Professional Excellence of these Officers.

In view of these qualities, as well as their demonstrated leadership and tactical competence, and their dedicated service to the citizens of The City of East Moline, they are therefore promoted to the ranks of

Darren Gault You are hereby Promoted to the Rank of Captain;
Dustin Edkin You are hereby Promoted to the Rank of Lieutenant;
David Rummery You are hereby Promoted to the Rank of Sergeant;
Kyle Schultz You are hereby promoted to the Rank of Sergeant;

This given under my hand in The City of East Moline, County of Rock Island, State of Illinois, is effective on the **16th Day of September, Two-Thousand – Seventeen.** John W. Reynolds, Chief of Police, and Reginald Freeman, Mayor”.

Proclamation:

Mayor Freeman read and presented a Proclamation declaring November 10, 2018 as “City of East Moline Night” at the Quad City Storm. In attendance to receive the Proclamation was Storms President Ms. Gwen Tombergs, Co-owner Mr. John Dawson and several staff members. Ms. Tombergs, announced the promotions that would take place that night and it will include a salute to the Military.

Appointments:

City Treasurer

Mayor Freeman is recommending the appointment of Ms. Carolyn Ellis, to be the next City Treasurer replacing Mr. Tony Banaszek, who retired earlier this year. Ms. Ellis is a 33 resident of East Moline and is a former employee of the Moline-Coal Valley School District purchasing department.

A motion was made by Alderman Sallows, seconded by Alderman DeJaynes, to approve the appointment of Ms. Carolyn Ellis as City Treasure. Upon roll call the following voted in favor: Rico, Sallows, Almblade, Mulcahey, DeJaynes, Miller, and Tapia. Motion carried.

Swearing in:

City Clerk Holmes administrated the Oath of Office to Ms. Carolyn Ellis as the new City Treasurer.

Economic Development Commissioner

Mayor Freeman is recommending the appointment of Ms. LaShonda Polite, to fill the vacancy left by Mr. Jeff Zmuda on the Economic Development Commission.

A motion was made by Alderman Miller, seconded by Alderman DeJaynes, to approve the appointment of Ms. LaShonda to the Economic Development Commissioner. Upon roll call the following voted in favor: Rico, Sallows, Almblade, Mulcahey, DeJaynes, Miller and Tapia. Motion carried.

CITY ATTORNEY GRAHAM LEE PRESENTED THE FOLLOWING ORDINANCES:

ORDINANCE 18-12: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EAST MOLINE, AMENDING TITLE 3 “BUSINESS REGULATIONS” COIN OPERATED DEVICES”, SECTION 3-4-3 “VIDEO GAMING TERMINALS” OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF EAST MOLINE, ROCK ISLAND COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

A motion was made by Alderman Rico, seconded by Alderman Miller, to waive the reading of **Ordinance 18-12**. Upon roll call the following voted in favor: Rico, Sallows, Almblade, DeJaynes, Miller and Tapia. **Opposed:** Mulcahey. Motion carried. **6-1**

DISCUSSION:

Administrator Gridler provided an update to the City Council regarding the increase from 25 to 30 Video Gaming Licenses. The City originally discussed at the September 4, 2018 meeting was to limit store front gaming establishments to 25. However, after that meeting it was determined there were several more establishments that had already obtained State Licenses and the number is now limited to 30. Alderman Sallows and Alderman Almblade both said they were okay with 25 but feel uncomfortable with 30. There was also concern over the apparent breakdown of communication between the City and State.

A motion was made by Alderman Rico, seconded by Alderman Tapia, to approve **Ordinance 18-12**. Upon roll call the following voted in favor: Rico, Sallows, Mulcahey, Miller, and Tapia. **Opposed:** Almblade and DeJaynes. Motion carried. **5-2**

RESOLUTION 18-57: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST MOLINE, ILLINOIS AUTHORIZING APPROVAL OF THE PURCHASE OF A 4X2 JOHN DEERE GATOR FROM HOLLAND & SONS, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,971.56

A motion was made by Alderman Rico, seconded by Alderman DeJaynes, to approve **Resolution 18-57**. Upon roll call the following voted in favor: Rico, Sallows, Almblade, Mulcahey, DeJaynes, Miller, and Tapia. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 18-58: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST MOLINE, ILLINOIS, APPROVING THE PROPOSAL FROM IMEG FOR THE BABCOCK AND MEERSMAN REGIONAL DRAINAGE STUD.

A motion was made by Alderman Rico, seconded by Alderman Almblade, to approve **Resolution 18-58**. Upon roll call the following voted in favor: Rico, Sallows, Almblade, Mulcahey, DeJaynes, Miller, and Tapia. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE (Alderman Mulcahey)

Alderman Mulcahey 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:

Annaka Whiting, Director of Finance – Ms. Whiting informed the City Council that the East Moline Foundation gave the City \$1,500 for Jacobs Park. Ms. Whiting thanked them for their investment to the City. Ms. Whiting passed out the draft budget books that included revenues and expenditures. There will be two work sessions the first one will be on Monday, October 15, 2018 beginning at 5:30 pm prior to the regular City Council meeting. The second work session will be on Monday, October 22, 2018 beginning at 5:30 pm.

Mayor Freeman commented that the \$1,500 from the East Moline Foundation went toward the grant application. This grant will be used for fencing.

Mr. Kammler, Director of Engineering – Mr. Kammler informed the City Council that they continue working construction projects within the City. The construction season is still going on even with the weather getting much cooler.

- Pavement markings are in full swing.
- Seal coating project is still being completed.
- Residential Concrete patching program
- 5th Avenue – Punch list work is still going on.
- The Bend – Nip and Tuck work continues.
- 2nd Street project – paving and all the storm sewers is in and it continues to be slightly behind.
- 7th Street Project – continues to drag on.

Alderman Sallows asked if all the sidewalks from 25th Avenue to 30th Avenue will they be replaced? Mr. Kammler replied that only portions of the sidewalks deemed to be particularly bad or did not meet ADA requirements. It is Mr. Kammler belief that these sidewalks will be replaced.

Mr. Lambrecht, Director of Maintenance Services – Mr. Lambrecht informed the City Council that damaged trees from last week's severe weather continues to be picked up by the City. Mr. Lambrecht emphasized that this is a free service provided by the City and any residents who require pick up should contact the Maintenance Services Department. Mr. Lambrecht also stated that residents can pick up free leaf bags now until December 1, 2018 at City Hall.

Mr. Drake, WWTP Facilities Director – Mr. Drake requested a proposal for the City Attorney to draft an Ordinance requiring Waste Haulers to register with the City and provided certain pertinent information. Registration will require a \$50.00 fee.

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

ADJOURNMENT:

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

Minutes taken and submitted by,

Arletta D. Holmes, City Clerk