

CITY OF SOUTH BELOIT
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
August 7, 2023

CALL TO ORDER: 5:02 pm, Council Chambers, City Hall by Mayor Fitzgerald

ROLL CALL: Present & answering to roll call were Commissioners Adleman, Hedrington, Morse, Prentice, and Mayor Fitzgerald.
City Attorney Roxanne Sosnowski was present
City Administrator Sonya Hoppes was present
City Clerk Tracy Patrick recorded the minutes
Department Heads in attendance:
Police Chief Adam Truman
Street Superintendent Steve Haas
Fire Chief Jason Griffin
Community Development Director Shawna Henthorn

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Mayor Fitzgerald and recited by all members present.

INVOCATION: City Clerk, Tracy Patrick delivered the invocation.

APPROVE AGENDA: Commissioner Morse made a motion to amend the agenda moving New Business Item a. to immediately after the Approval of Minutes. Commissioner Adleman second the motion. Voice vote carried the motion. Commissioner Adleman made a motion to approve the agenda as amended second by Commissioner Prentice second the motion. Voice vote carried the motion.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
1. Commissioner Morse made a motion to approve the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on July 17, 2023. Commissioner Adleman second the motion. Voice vote carried the motion.

NEW BUSINESS:
a. Landon Billings was sworn in as a Police Officer by City Clerk, Tracy Patrick

REPORT OF OFFICERS:
1. Finance:
Commissioner Adleman made a motion to approve the claims paid from July 15 – August 4, 2023 in the amount of \$1,150,688.19. Commissioner Morse second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.
2. Attorney Report:
3. Reports:
City Administrator Report and Staff Report
Accounts and Finance-Commissioner Ryan Adleman
Health & Public Safety-Commissioner Ken Morse
Streets & Public Improvement-Commissioner Brian Hedrington
Public Properties-Commissioner Courtney Prentice
Mayor-Tom Fitzgerald

ORDINANCES-FIRST READ:

- a. Commissioner Prentice made a motion to waive the first read and move to the second read Ordinance 2748 approving an Annexation Agreement regarding the property commonly known as XXXX Willowbrook Road, South Beloit, Illinois and with PIN 04-15-100-006 and authorizing the Mayor of the City of South Beloit, Illinois to execute the same. Commissioner Adleman second the motion. Voice vote carried the motion. Commissioner Morse made a motion to approve Ordinance 2748 approving an Annexation Agreement regarding the property commonly known as XXXX Willowbrook Road, South Beloit, Illinois and with PIN 04-15-100-006 and authorizing the Mayor of the City of South Beloit, Illinois to execute the same. Commissioner Adleman second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.
- b. From the Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting held on July 19, 2023 a positive recommendation was given regarding annexing certain territory commonly known as XXXX Willowbrook Road and with PIN 04-15-100-006 to the City of South Beloit, Illinois. Commissioner Prentice made a motion to waive the first read and move to the second read Ordinance 2749 annexing certain territory commonly known as XXXX Willowbrook Road and with PIN 04-15-100-006 to the City of South Beloit, Illinois. Commissioner Adleman second the motion. Voice vote carried the motion. Commissioner Morse made a motion to approve Ordinance 2749 annexing certain territory commonly known as XXXX Willowbrook Road and with PIN 04-15-100-006 to the City of South Beloit, Illinois. Commissioner Adleman second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.
- c. From the Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting held on July 19, 2023 a positive recommendation was given regarding a Map Amendment to zone the property at XXXX Willowbrook Road and with PIN 04-15-100-006 from the Single Family (R1) Zoning District to the Commercial General (CG) Zoning District. Commissioner Prentice made a motion to waive the first read and move to the second read Ordinance 2750 approving a Map Amendment to zone the property at XXXX Willowbrook Road and with PIN 04-15-100-006 from the Single Family (R1) Zoning District to the Commercial General (CG) Zoning District. Commissioner Adleman second the motion. Voice vote carried the motion. Commissioner Morse made a motion to approve Ordinance 2750 approving a Map Amendment to zone the property at XXXX Willowbrook Road and with PIN 04-15-100-006 from the Single Family (R1) Zoning District to the Commercial General (CG) Zoning District. Commissioner Adleman second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.
- d. From the Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting held on July 19, 2023 a positive recommendation was given regarding a Special Use Permit to allow for a Wireless Communication Facilities Use in the Commercial General (CG) Zoning District for 1161 Dorr Road, South Beloit, Illinois. Commissioner Prentice made a motion to waive the first read and move to the second read Ordinance 2751 approving a Special Use Permit to allow for a Wireless Communication Facilities Use in the Commercial General (CG) Zoning District for 1161 Dorr Road, South Beloit, Illinois. Commissioner Adleman second the motion. Voice vote carried the motion. Commissioner Morse made a motion to approve Ordinance 2751 approving a Special Use Permit to allow for a Wireless Communication Facilities Use in the Commercial General (CG) Zoning District for 1161 Dorr Road, South Beloit, Illinois. Commissioner Prentice seconded the motion. Commissioner Adleman said he had 2 residents reach out to him with concerns for the cellular tower. Commissioner Adleman would like to see the tower camouflaged in some way. Mayor Fitzgerald agreed. Michael Doran was present. Council discussed with Mr. Doran any options for camouflaging the tower. Mr. Doran said the new 5G technology is too hot for painting, and would not be good for the pole. Mr. Doran said the gray steel color blends into the environment better. Another option of camouflaging the pole would be with cell tower disguises. Mr. Doran said he has seen the disguises, however; that option would not be cost prohibitive at \$1,000 per foot. Council agreed to allow the

pole without any camouflage. Commissioner Adleman asked about the safety of the pole considering the location will be at the Boys and Girls Club. Mr. Doran said there are no pegs for anyone to be able to climb the pole, and added in the event of a storm or tornado, the towers are designed to bend in on itself. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.

- e. Commissioner Prentice made a motion to waive the first read and move to the second read Ordinance 2752 amending Chapter 6 Alcoholic Beverages, Article III, Retail License, Section 6-129, of the City of South Beloit Code of Ordinances. Commissioner Adleman second the motion. Voice vote carried the motion. Commissioner Morse made a motion to approve Ordinance 2752 amending Chapter 6 Alcoholic Beverages, Article III, Retail License, Section 6-129, of the City of South Beloit Code of Ordinances. Commissioner Adleman second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.
- f. Commissioner Prentice made a motion to waive the first read and move to the second read Ordinance 2753 authorizing the disposal of items owned by the city. Commissioner Adleman second the motion. Voice vote carried the motion. Commissioner Adleman made a motion to approve Ordinance 2753 authorizing the disposal of items owned by the city. Commissioner Morse second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.
- g. Commissioner Prentice made a motion to waive the first read and move to the second read Ordinance 2754 authorizing the sale of surplus property owned by the city. Commissioner Adleman second the motion. Voice vote carried the motion. Commissioner Morse made a motion to approve Ordinance 2754 authorizing the sale of surplus property owned by the city. Commissioner Adleman second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.
- h. Commissioner Prentice made a motion to waive the first read and move to the second read Ordinance 2755 authorizing the sale of surplus property owned by the city. Commissioner Adleman second the motion. Voice vote carried the motion. Commissioner Adleman made a motion to approve Ordinance 2755 authorizing the sale of surplus property owned by the city. Commissioner Prentice second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.

RESOLUTIONS:

- a. Commissioner Morse made a motion to approve Resolution 6462 approving a Professional Services Proposal with Fehr Graham Engineers for a 2023 Illinois Department of Natural Resources (“IDNR”) Open Space Land Acquisition and Development (“OSLAD”) Grant Application. Commissioner Prentice second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.

NEW BUSINESS

CONTINUED:

- b. Commissioner Morse made a motion to approve an amended Plat Two Legal Description for PBC Linear. Commissioner Adleman second the motion. Development Director, Shawna Henthorn explained PBC needed to do a replat to add 1 additional notation, which changed the legal description of the parcel. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.
- c. Commissioner Prentice made a motion to approve hiring Jennifer Robinson as Administrative Support Staff at a rate of \$17.00/hour. Commissioner Morse second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.

MISCELLANEOUS

LICENSES & PERMITS:

- 1. Miscellaneous Licenses:
 - a. Higgins Properties LLC
- 2. RLE's:
 - a. Lunette Haas-Jenny's Slots
 - b. Keegan Powers-Jenny's Slots

- c. Melissa Richardson-Jenny's Slots
- d. Katherine Scharlau-Jenny's Slots

Commissioner Prentice made a motion to approve all licenses second by Commissioner Adleman. Voice vote carried the motion.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 5:39 pm on a motion made by Commissioner Adleman the council approved going into Executive Session. Commissioner Morse second the motion. The purpose of Executive Session is to:

1. Discuss personnel issues as provided by 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(1) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act.
2. Discuss Pending Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting as provided by 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(11) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act.

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION:

At 6:43 pm.

ROLL CALL:

Roll call showed all members previously at the meeting at the reconvening of the meeting.

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

None.

ADJOURN:

At 6:43 pm on a motion made by Commissioner Adleman second by Commissioner Morse. Voice vote carried the motion.

Mayor

City Clerk

Approved: