

CITY OF SOUTH BELOIT
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
DECEMBER 17, 2012

CALL TO ORDER: 6:00 pm, Council Chambers, City Hall by Commissioner Schoonover, Pro Tem Mayor.

ROLL CALL: Present & answering to roll call were Commissioners, Barber, Chambers, LaMendola, and Schoonover. Mayor Duffy was absent.
City Attorney Aaron Szeto was present.
City Clerk Tracy Patrick recorded the minutes.
Department Heads in attendance:
Fire Chief Ken Morse
In the absence of Police Chief Dean Stiegemeier, Officer Waylon Weber attended
In the absence of Public Works Supervisor Jeff Reininger, Dwight Genin attended

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Pro Tem Mayor Schoonover and recited by all members present.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Ilah Tinder stated that she felt the Committee of the Whole Meeting held on December 13, 2012 was well attended but that the citizens were treated unfairly by the meeting closing early and would like to know if the meetings will continue be held for 1 hour. She feels if the residents attend the meeting they should have an opportunity to speak and be heard at the meetings.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Commissioner Chambers made a motion to approve as amended the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on December 3, 2012. Commissioner Barber second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes and 1 absent by Mayor Duffy.

REPORT OF OFFICERS: Commissioner LaMendola made a motion to approve the claims to be paid from December 1-14, 2012 in the amount of \$454,650.30. Commissioner Barber second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes and 1 absent by Mayor Duffy.
Finance Director-Don Elliott
Monthly Reports:
Fire Department
Police Department
Public Works Department
Commissioners Report:
Accounts & Finance-Commissioner Alice Schoonover
Public Health & Safety-Commissioner Linda Chambers
Streets & Public Improvements-Commissioner Donald Barber
Public Properties-Commissioner John LaMendola

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Commissioner LaMendola made a motion to layover Ordinance 1900 Regarding Sprinkler Meters until Public Works Department Head Jeff Reininger returns to work. Commissioner Chambers second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes and 1 absent by Mayor Duffy.

Commissioner LaMendola made a motion to approve Ordinance 1921 adopting the City of South Beloit Employee Handbook amending Employee Health Insurance Contributions for Non-represented Employees, Adopting Certain Employee Policies and Repealing City of South Beloit Ordinance 1801. Commissioner Chambers second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes and 1 absent by Mayor Duffy.

NEW BUSINESS: Commissioner LaMendola made a motion to approve the request for the South Beloit Library to use the Sand Castle for a Fundraiser Event at no charge on May 19, 2013. Commissioner Chambers second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes and 1 absent by Mayor Duffy.

After discussion no action was taken for the request to host a Festival to be held in the City Park from Susan Gaffey and Tom Lynde. Council felt that the City Park needed at least 1 year to recover and grow all that was planted from the recent renovations that were done this fall. The requestors may come back next year to request the event for 2014.

Commissioner LaMendola made a motion to approve Resolution 5619 Authorizing the Mayor to execute the 2012 State of Illinois IKE Grant Agreement. Commissioner Barber second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes and 1 absent by Mayor Duffy.

Commissioner LaMendola made a motion to approve Resolution 5620 Authorizing the Write-off of Past Due Sewer Balances at 200 South Dearborn owed by Crowne Hospitality, Serena Hospitality, and Ramada Inn. Commissioner Barber second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes and 1 absent by Mayor Duffy.

No action was required to be taken for Pay Request #5 from N-TRAK Group for 2012 Improvements Project in the amount of \$221,047.43 as it had previously been approved.

Commissioner Chambers made a motion to approve Membership to Rockford Area Economic Development Group in the amount of \$2,000.00. Commissioner Barber second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes and 1 absent by Mayor Duffy.

Commissioner LaMendola made a motion to approve Ordinance 1916 Establishing Special Service Area Number 1. Commissioner Barber second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes and 1 absent by Mayor Duffy.

Commissioner LaMendola made a motion to approve Ordinance 1917 Establishing Special Service Area Number 2. Commissioner Chambers second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes and 1 absent by Mayor Duffy.

Commissioner LaMendola made a motion to approve Ordinance 1918 Establishing Special Service Area Number 3. Commissioner Barber second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes and 1 absent by Mayor Duffy.

Commissioner Barber made a motion to approve Ordinance 1919 Establishing Special Service Area Number 4. Commissioner Chambers second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes and 1 absent by Mayor Duffy.

Commissioner LaMendola made a motion to approve Ordinance 1920 Establishing the 2013 Meeting Schedules of the City and the 2013 Holiday Schedule. Commissioner Barber second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes and 1 absent by Mayor Duffy.

Commissioner LaMendola made a motion to approve Ordinance 1922 Amending the Meeting Place of City Committee Meetings of the Whole. Commissioner Chambers second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes and 1 absent by Mayor Duffy. Commissioner Schoonover stated that the Ordinance does not specify that the meetings must go for a full hour. She also added that the time at these meetings may be used for Council purposes.

Finance Director, Don Elliott discussed the Actuary Study done by Tim Sharpe. The results from the study were presented and a recommendation was made by Mr. Elliott. Commissioner LaMendola made a motion to approve Ordinance 1923 2012 Tax Levy. Commissioner Chambers second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes and 1 absent by Mayor Duffy.

Commissioner LaMendola made a motion to approve Resolution 5617 Approving Pay Raises for Certain Employees of the City of South Beloit. Commissioner Barber second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes and 1 absent by Mayor Duffy.

Commissioner Chambers made a motion to approve Resolution 5618 Approving Pay Schedule for Full Time Fire Fighters. Commissioner Barber second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes and 1 absent by Mayor Duffy.

LICENSES & PERMITS: Miscellaneous Licenses:

South Park Auto Sales
Cobra Quality Cars
Blackhawk Auto Sales
JH Auto

Commissioner LaMendola made a motion to approve. Commissioner Barber second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: At 7:17 PM on a motion made by Commissioner LaMendola second by Commissioner Barber. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes and 1 absent by Mayor Duffy.

The purpose for 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 litigation as provided by 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act.
3. Review closed session minutes including semi-annual review of closed session minutes pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(21) as provided by the Illinois Open Meetings Act.

RECONVENE TO
OPEN SESSION:

At 7:58 PM. Roll call showed Commissioners Barber, Chambers, LaMendola, and Pro Tem Mayor Schoonover present.

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

There will be no release of the minutes of the June 4, 2012 and June 25, 2012 Executive Session meetings.

ADJOURN:

At 7:59 PM on a motion made by Commissioner LaMendola second by Commissioner Barber. Voice vote carried the motion.

Mayor

City Clerk

Approved: