

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
FEBRUARY 20, 2012

- CALL TO ORDER: 6:04 pm, Council Chambers, City Hall by Mayor Duffy.
- ROLL CALL: Present & answering to roll call were Commissioners LaMendola, Schoonover, Chambers, Barber, and Mayor Duffy.  
City Attorney Roxanne Sosnowski was present.  
City Clerk Tracy Patrick recorded the minutes.  
Department Heads in attendance:  
Fire Chief Ken Morse  
Police Chief Dean Stiegemeier
- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Mayor Duffy and recited by all members present.
- PUBLIC COMMENT: Tom Fitzgerald questioned why they were adding 2 Police Officers and 2 Part-time Fire Fighters. Mike Castronova introduced himself introduced himself. He is running for the County Board Chair Republican Ticket.
- CORRESPONDENCE: Tammy Scott from McMahon Associates discussed the paperwork for the DCO Grant which could possibly be used for the sewer improvements and the submission process. The grant may include a survey of residents to see who would qualify as low income. Ms. Scott will continue to look into the grant possibilities.  
Mayor Duffy announced that a grant in the amount of \$40k was awarded to the Fire Department that was applied for in 2009 or 2010.
- JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS: Commissioner Chambers made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held February 6, 2012. Commissioner Schoonover second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.
- REPORT OF OFFICERS: Commissioner Schoonover made a motion to approve the claims to be paid from February 4-February 17, 2012 in the amount of \$192,347.73. Commissioner Chambers second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.  
Finance Director-Donald Elliott  
Monthly Reports:  
Fire Department  
Chief Morse responded to Tom Fitzgerald's comment that they have 4 Part-time openings in staff. They will still be short 2 Part-time employees even after approval of hiring 2 employees. The Fire Department is required to have a certain number of fire fighters.  
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
- NEW BUSINESS: Commissioner Chambers made a motion to approve the Mayor to authorize the Commitment Agreement with the IEPA. Commissioner Barber second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.  
  
Commissioner LaMendola made a motion to hire Cassandra Troxel and Jacob Doll as Part-time paid on call firefighters. Commissioner Schoonover second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes and 1 abstain from Commissioner Chambers.  
  
Commissioner Chambers made a motion to approve Ordinance 1858 Amending the Fire Prevention Code to Add Fire Department Key Boxes. Commissioner Schoonover second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.  
  
Commissioner LaMendola made a motion to lay over Ordinance 1859 Regarding Animal Control. Commissioner Schoonover second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.

Commissioner Schoonover made a motion to approve Ordinance 1860 Regarding Regulations for Hiring Part Time Police Officers. Chief Stiegemeier responded to Tom Fitzgeralds public comment that the Police Department is not hiring any Part Time Officers. The City is required to have an Ordinance regarding Part Time Officers. Commissioner Chambers second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.

Commissioner Schoonover made a motion to approve the payment for SSA Design Group for the IKE Grant in the amount of \$5000.00. Commissioner Chambers second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.

Commissioner LaMendola made a motion to approve Resolution 5574 Supporting the Rock River Trails Initiative. Commissioner Barber second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.

Commissioner Schoonover made a motion to approve Changing the Pension Contribution from after tax to pre tax. This will only benefit Police Officers. Commissioner Chambers second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.

Guestchow property demolition was discussed. A title search on the property is being done. Council would like to see the demolition of this property be done along with the property on Bombay Blvd. Direction was given to McMahon to start the bid process.

Commissioner Chambers made a motion to approve the Codification of Ordinances be done in the amount of \$3397.00. Commissioner Barber second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.

LICENSES & PERMITS:

RLE Licenses:

Marki Miller-Dominick's

Jennifer Genore-Everett's Liquors

Commissioner Barber made a motion to approve second by Commissioner Chambers. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 8:02 p.m. on a motion made by Commissioner Barber second by Commissioner Chambers. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.

The purpose of Executive Session is to:

1. Discuss Collective Negotiating matters between the City of South Beloit and the City's Collective Bargaining Units 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.

RECONVENE TO  
OPEN SESSION:

At 8:48 p.m. on a motion made by Commissioner Barber second by Commissioner Chambers. Voice vote carried the motion.

ROLL CALL:

As recorded at onset of meeting.

ADJOURN:

At 8:48 p.m. on a motion made by Commissioner Barber second by Commissioner Schoonover. Voice vote carried the motion.

Approved:

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Mayor

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City Clerk