

CITY OF SOUTH BELOIT
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 3, 2014

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

ROLL CALL: Present & answering to roll call were Commissioners Barber, Chambers, LaMendola, and Schoonover. Mayor Duffy was absent.
City Attorney Roxanne Sosnowski was present.
City Clerk Tracy Patrick recorded the minutes.
Department Heads in attendance:
Police Deputy Chief Adam Truman
Public Works Dept Jeff Reininger

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Commissioner Schoonover and recited by all members present.

INVOCATION: Led by Commissioner LaMendola.

APPROVE AGENDA: Commissioner Chambers made a motion to approve the agenda. Commissioner Barber second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes and 1 absent by Mayor Duffy.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Patricia Hauser spoke to Council regarding a property located at 530 Gardner St. Her and her late husband owned the property for several years. She recently sold the property and does not feel that the penalties were fair. She would like to have the penalty fees that were paid at closing reimbursed so she can donate the funds. Commissioner Schoonover stated that the request would need to go on the next Regular Council Meeting agenda.

APPROVE MINUTES:

1. Commissioner Chambers made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held on February 17, 2014. Commissioner Barber second the motion. Roll call 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 February 15-28, 2014 in the amount of \$237,436.17. Commissioner Chambers second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes and 1 absent by Mayor Duffy.

Finance

Don Elliott

Monthly Reports:

Police Department

Public Works Department

Commissioners Reports:

Accounts & Finance-Commissioner Alice Schoonover

Health & Public Safety-Commissioner Linda Chambers

Streets & Public Improvements-Commissioner Donald Barber

Public Properties-Commissioner John LaMendola

FOIA Report:

None

CORRESPONDENCE: Ryan Keirch from the Winnebago County Health Department (WCHD) was present to speak about the Lead Based programs through the County. The programs are now available for residents in the City of South Beloit. Mr. Keirch gave Council an overview of the 2 programs available. The first program is a case management program that allows the WCHD to respond to children and lead based issues. The second program is through a grant from HUD for low income families that can benefit properties. This program provides free lead inspections and assistance on correcting any lead based hazards in the

home. This program is also available for any home with a child under the age of 6 that lives or frequently visits the property. This program does offer some benefits for rental properties also.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- a. The request from Rock Energy Cooperative for waiver of any permit and inspection fees for excavating work on City property was discussed. Denny Schultz from Rock Energy was present and responded to Council's questions regarding the request as well as the current franchise agreement between the City of South Beloit and Rock Energy. After discussion, Commissioner LaMendola made a motion to not approve any permit waivers for Rock Energy until the franchise agreement is renewed. Commissioner Chambers second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes and 1 absent by Mayor Duffy.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Commissioner LaMendola made a motion to approve the request for a sign on Blackhawk and Gardner fence from Stephen Ambrose for Michaela the Brave St. Paddy's Day Benefit to be held on March 15, 2014. Commissioner Chambers second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes and 1 absent by Mayor Duffy.
- b. Commissioner Chambers made a motion to approve Resolution 5694 Appointing Marilyn Bukove to fill the unexpired term of Marcia Eibergen with an expiration date of July 1, 2015, and Glen Lineman to fill the unexpired term of Brenda Weinberg with an expiration date of July 1, 2014 for the Library Board. Commissioner Barber second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes and 1 absent by Mayor Duffy.
- c. Commissioner LaMendola made a motion to approve hiring Jessica Roberts as an employee of the City of South Beloit for Zoning and Planning Official. Commissioner Chambers second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes and 1 absent by Mayor Duffy.
- d. Commissioner LaMendola made a motion to approve Resolution 5695 approving a settlement agreement with Illinois Council of Police (ICOPS). Commissioner Chambers second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes and 1 absent by Mayor Duffy.
- e. Commissioner Barber made a motion to layover Ordinance 1989 Amending Employee Handbook to add a weapons policy. Commissioner Chambers second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes and 1 absent by Mayor Duffy.
- f. Commissioner LaMendola made a motion to approve Ordinance 1990 Amending Chapter 82 of the City of South Beloit Code of Ordinances Amending Section 82-34 Fees for Collection. Commissioner Chambers second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes and 1 absent by Mayor Duffy.
- g. Commissioner Chambers made a motion to layover the renewal of Consulting Services with Gallagher Benefit Services, Inc. in the amount of \$600.00/monthly until the contract is reviewed by Attorney Sosnowski. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes and 1 absent by Mayor Duffy.
- h. Commissioner LaMendola made a motion to approve repair to the International plow truck #8 by Carroll Truck Services in the amount of \$3200.00. Commissioner Barber second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes and 1 absent by Mayor Duffy.
- i. Commissioner LaMendola made a motion to approve rebuild for transmission for ½ ton extended cab for Public Works Department by Tim's Automotive in the amount of \$1800.00. Commissioner Barber second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes and 1 absent by Mayor Duffy.
- j. There was discussion regarding the invocation at the meetings. Council agreed that the invocation would remain on the agenda, but that the invocation should be held with respect and reverence.

MISCELLANEOUS

LICENSES AND PERMITS:

1. RLE's:
 - a. Vicki Jones-American Legion
2. Tattoo Artists:
 - a. Brian Rubino-Twilight Dreamz Tattoo
 - b. Jorden Smith-Rollette-Twilight Dreamz Tattoo

Commissioner LaMendola made a motion to approve all licenses second by Commissioner Chambers. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes and 1 absent by Mayor Duffy.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 7:12 pm on a motion made by Commissioner LaMendola second by Commissioner Chambers. The purpose of Executive Session is to:

1. Discuss setting of a price for sale of property owned by the City of South Beloit as provided by 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (6) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act.
2. Discuss personnel issues as provided by 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (1) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act.

RECONVENE TO
OPEN SESSION:

At 7:40 pm. Roll call showed all members present at onset of the meeting.

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

None

ADJOURN:

At 7:40 pm on a motion made by Commissioner Chambers second by Commissioner LaMendola. Voice vote carried the motion.

Mayor

City Clerk

Approved: