

**MINUTES
NEW COUNCIL CHAMBERS IN THE CIVIC COMPLEX
401 WEST WASHINGTON STREET, EAST PEORIA, ILLINOIS**

SEPTEMBER 20, 2022

The Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of East Peoria, Illinois was called to order by his Honor Mayor John P. Kahl presiding at 6:00 P.M. with proper notice having been given.

Upon the roll being called the following answered present: Mayor John P. Kahl, Commissioner Daniel S. Decker, Commissioner Mark E. Hill, Commissioner Seth D. Mingus, and Commissioner Michael L. Sutherland.

Absent: None.

The invocation was given by Commissioner Hill.

Mayor Kahl led the Council and the audience in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Motion by Commissioner Mingus, seconded by Commissioner Decker; Mr. Mayor, I move that the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on September 6, 2022 and the minutes of the Closed Meeting/Executive Session held on September 6, 2022 be approved as printed.

Yeas: Commissioner Decker, Hill, Mingus, Sutherland, and Mayor Kahl.

Nays: None.

Mayor Kahl declared the motion carried.

Mayor Kahl proclaimed September 18-24, 2022 as "Child Passenger Safety Week". Commissioner Mingus encouraged residents to attend the car seat safety check event the first Wednesday of the month at Central Fire House.

Mayor Kahl proclaimed September 2022 as "National Suicide Prevention Awareness Month".

Mayor Kahl stated if there was anyone in the audience who wanted to speak on any items on the agenda to come to the podium and state the matter or matters to be discussed. There was no response.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS BY OMNIBUS VOTE:

Mayor Kahl asked if any Commissioner wished to remove any items from the Consent Agenda for discussion. There was no response.

Motion by Commissioner Hill, seconded by Commissioner Decker; Mr. Mayor, I move to adopt a consent agenda consisting of items numbered 1 through 13 as listed on the agenda for this meeting to be considered by omnibus vote.

Item Number 1 - Adoption of Resolution Number 2223-074 – Resolution to Approve Payment of the Schedule of Bills Listed on Schedule Number 9 in the amount of \$1,118,680.46.

Item Number 2 - Adoption of Resolution Number 2223-061 on its Second Reading - Resolution to Approve First Amendment to Development Agreement with Teekona Group, Inc. for Riverfront Midrise Apartment Development.

Item Number 3 - Adoption of Ordinance Number 4672 on its Second Reading – (AN ORDINANCE MAKING ADDITIONAL AMENDMENTS TO REGULATIONS FOR SHORT-TERM RENTALS IN TITLE 3, CHAPTER 38 OF THE EAST PEORIA CITY CODE.)

Item Number 4 - Adoption of Ordinance Number 4673 on its Second Reading – (AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ZONING REGULATIONS IN TITLE 5 OF THE EAST PEORIA CITY CODE REGARDING SHORT-TERM RENTALS AS A SPECIAL USE IN THE R-1 RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT.)

Item Number 5 - Adoption of Resolution Number 2223-060 on its Second Reading - Resolution approving Service Agreement for the City's Computer and Information Technology (IT) Network Appliance Maintenance at a total annual cost of \$12,414.60.

Item Number 6 - Adoption of Resolution Number 2223-068 on its Second Reading - Resolution Approving Service Agreement with Tyler Technologies Inc. for Developing and Implementing New Financial Software System for the City.

Item Number 7 - Adoption of Resolution Number 2223-064 on its Second Reading - Resolution Approving an Agreement with the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) for the Bob Michel Bridge Improvement Project.

Item Number 8 - Adoption of Resolution Number 2223-065 on its Second Reading - Resolution Approving an Agreement with the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) for Route 116 Traffic Signals Improvement Project Regarding Battery Backup Systems, CCTV Cameras, and ITS Components.

Item Number 9 - Adoption of Resolution Number 2223-066 on its Second Reading - Resolution Approving an Agreement with the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) for Route 116 Traffic Signals Improvement Project Regarding Traffic Signal Cabinets, Controllers, Communication Equipment, and Video Detection Systems.

Item Number 10 - Adoption of Resolution Number 2223-059 on its Second Reading - Resolution Requesting Permission for Temporary Closure of State Maintained Roadways for a Public Event for the Festival of Lights Parade on November 19, 2022.

Item Number 11 - Adoption of Resolution Number 2223-062 on its Second Reading - Resolution to Approve Contract for Engineering Services with Maurer-Stutz Inc. for Maintenance Projects in the City Water-Wastewater Department.

Item Number 12 - Adoption of Resolution Number 2223-063 on its Second Reading - Resolution to Approve Contract for Engineering Services with TWM Inc. for Maintenance Projects in the City Water-Wastewater Department.

Item Number 13 - Adoption of Resolution Number 2223-067 on its Second Reading - Resolution Approving Payment of Deposit for Purchase of New Chassis for New Fire Department Ambulance to Arrow Manufacturing, Inc.

Yeas: Commissioners Decker, Hill, Mingus, Sutherland, and Mayor Kahl.

Nays: None.

Mayor Kahl declared the motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Hill, seconded by Commissioner Mingus; Mr. Mayor, I move you that Items numbered 1 through 13 listed on the Consent Agenda be hereby approved and adopted, the items numbered 2 through 13 having been read once by their title and having laid on the table for no less than one week for public inspection be adopted as presented.

Item Number 1 - Adoption of Resolution Number 2223-074 – Resolution to Approve Payment of the Schedule of Bills Listed on Schedule Number 9 in the amount of \$1,118,680.46. (Adopted by omnibus vote)

Item Number 2 - Adoption of Resolution Number 2223-061 on its Second Reading - Resolution to Approve First Amendment to Development Agreement with Teekona Group, Inc. for Riverfront Midrise Apartment Development. (Adopted by omnibus vote)

Item Number 3 - Adoption of Ordinance Number 4672 on its Second Reading – (AN ORDINANCE MAKING ADDITIONAL AMENDMENTS TO REGULATIONS FOR SHORT-TERM RENTALS IN TITLE 3, CHAPTER 38 OF THE EAST PEORIA CITY CODE.) (Adopted by omnibus vote)

Item Number 4 - Adoption of Ordinance Number 4673 on its Second Reading – (AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ZONING REGULATIONS IN TITLE 5 OF THE EAST PEORIA CITY CODE REGARDING SHORT-TERM RENTALS AS A SPECIAL USE IN THE R-1 RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT.) (Adopted by omnibus vote)

Item Number 5 - Adoption of Resolution Number 2223-060 on its Second Reading - Resolution approving Service Agreement for the City's Computer and Information Technology (IT) Network Appliance Maintenance at a total annual cost of \$12,414.60. (Adopted by omnibus vote)

Item Number 6 - Adoption of Resolution Number 2223-068 on its Second Reading - Resolution Approving Service Agreement with Tyler Technologies Inc. for Developing and Implementing New Financial Software System for the City. (Adopted by omnibus vote)

Item Number 7 - Adoption of Resolution Number 2223-064 on its Second Reading - Resolution Approving an Agreement with the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) for the Bob Michel Bridge Improvement Project. (Adopted by omnibus vote)

Item Number 8 - Adoption of Resolution Number 2223-065 on its Second Reading - Resolution Approving an Agreement with the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) for Route 116 Traffic Signals Improvement Project Regarding Battery Backup Systems, CCTV Cameras, and ITS Components. (Adopted by omnibus vote)

Item Number 9 - Adoption of Resolution Number 2223-066 on its Second Reading - Resolution Approving an Agreement with the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) for Route 116 Traffic Signals Improvement Project Regarding Traffic Signal Cabinets, Controllers, Communication Equipment, and Video Detection Systems. (Adopted by omnibus vote)

Item Number 10 - Adoption of Resolution Number 2223-059 on its Second Reading - Resolution Requesting Permission for Temporary Closure of State Maintained Roadways for a Public Event for the Festival of Lights Parade on November 19, 2022. (Adopted by omnibus vote)

Item Number 11 - Adoption of Resolution Number 2223-062 on its Second Reading - Resolution to Approve Contract for Engineering Services with Maurer-Stutz Inc. for Maintenance Projects in the City Water-Wastewater Department. (Adopted by omnibus vote)

Item Number 12 - Adoption of Resolution Number 2223-063 on its Second Reading - Resolution to Approve Contract for Engineering Services with TWM Inc. for Maintenance Projects in the City Water-Wastewater Department. (Adopted by omnibus vote)

Item Number 13 - Adoption of Resolution Number 2223-067 on its Second Reading - Resolution Approving Payment of Deposit for Purchase of New Chassis for New Fire Department Ambulance to Arrow Manufacturing, Inc. (Adopted by omnibus vote)

Yeas: Commissioners Decker, Hill, Mingus, Sutherland, and Mayor Kahl.

Nays: None.

Mayor Kahl declared the motion carried and the items adopted by omnibus vote designation.

Motion by Commissioner Hill, seconded by Commissioner Decker; Mr. Mayor, I move you that Ordinance No. 4675 hereto attached, (AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A THIRD AMENDMENT TO THE CONDITIONS IMPOSED ON THE SPECIAL USE GRANTED WITH RESPECT TO PROPERTY LOCATED ON EAST WASHINGTON STREET NEAR ITS INTERSECTION WITH SUNRISE AVENUE IN THE CITY OF EAST PEORIA, TAZEWELL COUNTY, ILLINOIS) be accepted on its first reading as read by its title, and be laid on the table for no less than one week for public inspection.

Commissioner Hill commented on the amendment to the special use. The original special use was approved back in January of 2018. This is for a Solar Farm on the property that is owned by the Fondulac Township. The petitioners are seeking to amend their Special Use to allow it to remain valid until the end of 2024. At present, the current Special Use is set to expire at the end of this year. However, since this proposed project (community solar on Fondulac Township property along East Washington St in the Robein area) is dependent upon approval from the State of Illinois and their selection process. The group is optimistic they will be selected the round later this year and be able to commence construction as soon as next spring. This will extend the special use and all of its conditions.

Yeas: Commissioners Decker, Hill, Mingus, Sutherland, and Mayor Kahl.

Nays: None.

Mayor Kahl declared the motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Hill, seconded by Commissioner Mingus; Mr. Mayor, I move you that Ordinance No. 4676 hereto attached, (AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A SPECIAL USE FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 119 ESSER STREET IN THE CITY OF EAST PEORIA, TAZEWELL COUNTY, ILLINOIS) be accepted on its first reading as read by its title, and be laid on the table for no less than one week for public inspection.

Commissioner Hill commented on the special use being for a short-term rental on the property. There is ample property for parking. Recommended 6 – 0 to approve with the conditions that not more than eight guests at a time be allowed, at least four off street parking spaces be provided and no outdoor activity between 10:00 pm and 6:00 am.

Yeas: Commissioners Decker, Hill, Mingus, Sutherland, and Mayor Kahl.

Nays: None.

Mayor Kahl declared the motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Hill, seconded by Commissioner Decker; Mr. Mayor, I move you that Ordinance No. 4677 hereto attached, (AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A SPECIAL USE FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2 BAUER LANE IN THE CITY OF EAST PEORIA, TAZEWELL COUNTY, ILLINOIS) be accepted on its first reading as read by its title, and be laid on the table for no less than one week for public inspection.

Commissioner Hill commented on the special use. The petition is to remove the single stall garage and to expand the existing two car garage to 1,690 square feet. As this exceeds the maximum 1,250 square feet, a Special Use is required. As staff understands, the addition will be consistent with the build quality and exterior materials as the current structure. Also, since this addition is to be made to a structure adjacent to the I-74 right-of-way, no negative impacts upon neighboring property owners is expected.

Yeas: Commissioners Decker, Hill, Mingus, Sutherland, and Mayor Kahl.

Nays: None.

Mayor Kahl declared the motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Hill, seconded by Commissioner Mingus; Mr. Mayor, I move you that Ordinance No. 4671 hereto attached, (AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR ANNEXATION OF THE CARSON PROPERTY TO THE CITY OF EAST PEORIA, ILLINOIS (Parcel Number 05-05-05-201-001)) be accepted on its first reading as read by its title, and be laid on the table for no less than one week for public inspection.

Commissioner Hill commented on the property. Mr. Carson requested the property to be annexed to the property so that he could use the inaccessible property.

Yeas: Commissioners Decker, Hill, Mingus, Sutherland, and Mayor Kahl.

Nays: None.

Mayor Kahl declared the motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Hill, seconded by Commissioner Decker; Mr. Mayor, I move you that Ordinance No. 4674 hereto attached, (AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ZONING REGULATIONS IN TITLE 5 OF THE EAST PEORIA CITY CODE FOR SPECIAL USES ALLOWED IN CONSERVATION DISTRICTS) be accepted on its first reading as read by its title, and be laid on the table for no less than one week for public inspection.

Commissioner Hill commented on the special use that would allow police stations and fire stations in conservation districts in the City.

Yeas: Commissioners Decker, Hill, Mingus, Sutherland, and Mayor Kahl.

Nays: None.

Mayor Kahl declared the motion carried.

Resolution No. 2223-073 by Commissioner Hill, seconded by Commissioner Mingus; BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST PEORIA, ILLINOIS that Resolution No. 2223-073, hereto attached, a Resolution Approving Second Amendment to Services Agreement with Good Energy L.P. for Electricity Aggregation Program for Residential and Small Commercial Retail Customers, be approved. Mr. Mayor, I move you that this Resolution No. 2223-073 be accepted on its first reading as read by its title, and be laid on the table for no less than one week for public inspection.

Commissioner Hill commented on the amendment to the electricity aggregation program for residential and small commercial retail customers. Due to changing market conditions and variability, Good Energy, LP has now requested an increase in their service fee, which is paid by the energy supplier, for future aggregation of residential energy purchases in the City under the terms and conditions as set forth in the Second Amendment to the Services Agreement.

There was a discussion about not currently being in the program.

Yeas: Commissioners Decker, Hill, Mingus, Sutherland, and Mayor Kahl.

Nays: None.

Mayor Kahl declared the motion carried.

Resolution No. 2223-070 by Commissioner Decker, seconded by Commissioner Mingus; BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST PEORIA, ILLINOIS that Resolution No. 2223-070, hereto attached, a Resolution to approve Contract for Design and Construction Engineering Services with Midwest Engineering Associates for the Veterans Drive Bridge Repairs Project, be approved. Mr. Mayor, I move you that this Resolution No. 2223-070 be accepted on its first reading as read by its title, and be laid on the table for no less than one week for public inspection.

Commissioner Decker commented on the bridge being constructed several decades ago. The bridge is becoming deteriorated, and this resolution approves spending \$40,000 on design and construction engineering. There are some other bridges that may need work in the future.

Yeas: Commissioners Decker, Hill, Mingus, Sutherland, and Mayor Kahl.

Nays: None.

Mayor Kahl declared the motion carried.

Resolution No. 2223-071 by Commissioner Decker, seconded by Commissioner Mingus; BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST PEORIA, ILLINOIS that Resolution No. 2223-071, hereto attached, a Resolution to approve the Proposal from Laser Electric Inc. for Springfield Road and East Washington Street Intersection Traffic Signal Cabinet and Components Repair and Replacement Project, be approved. Mr. Mayor, I move you that this Resolution No. 2223-071 be accepted on its first reading as read by its title, and be laid on the table for no less than one week for public inspection.

Commissioner Decker commented on the repair being needed due to a hit and run accident.

Yeas: Commissioners Decker, Hill, Mingus, Sutherland, and Mayor Kahl.

Nays: None.

Mayor Kahl declared the motion carried.

Resolution No. 2223-072 by Commissioner Mingus; RESOLUTION SUPPORTING CONTINUED EFFORTS TO RESOLVE PUBLIC SAFETY CONCERNS WITH THE SAFE-T-ACT

WHEREAS, the City of East Peoria's mission is to provide services that ensure a high quality of life, sound fiscal management, and a dynamic business environment, while providing a safe and secure community for all East Peoria residents and businesses; and

WHEREAS, the East Peoria Police Department has been a leader in police training, policy and practice, accountability and training; and

WHEREAS, the City values public engagement and stakeholder involvement to ensure all perspectives are considered in the development of legislation; and

WHEREAS, on January 22, 2021, the Illinois Safety, Fairness and Equity-Today Act ("SAFE-T-Act") was signed into law, which imposes significant changes impacting many aspects of the criminal justice system, including pre-arrest diversion, policing, pretrial, sentencing, and corrections; and

WHEREAS, the City openly shared public safety concerns about the poorly drafted, 764 page SAFE-T-Act after its initial release and during consideration of subsequent trailer bills; and

WHEREAS, the state legislature has since made a handful of changes to the SAFE-T-Act, but there are still many provisions in the sweeping new law that are not workable and/or create public safety concerns; and

WHEREAS, the law abolishes cash bail as of January 1, 2023, that all defendants charged with criminal acts should be released from custody without positing monetary bail, which will cause major public safety issues; and

WHEREAS, violent offenders who are released on electronic monitoring and choose to violate the terms of their release have to be in violation for 48 hours before law enforcement can act; and

WHEREAS, this denies crime victims their constitutional rights from Article 1, Section 8.1 of the Illinois Constitution, codified in the Rights of Crime Victims and Witness Act, that mandates that crime victims shall have the right to have their safety and that of their families considered in denying or fixing the amount of bail, determining whether to release the defendant and setting conditions of release after arrest and conviction; and

WHEREAS, eliminating bail not only contradicts previously established and superior law, it places crime victims at a greater risk to be re-victimized, and unnecessarily subjects witnesses to threats and intimidation; and

WHEREAS, the law severely weakens the habitual-crime statutes, making it harder for our criminal justice system to keep repeat violent offenders off the streets and behind bars; and

WHEREAS, the City supports certain elements of the SAFE-T-Act and has already implemented certain elements, including body worn cameras and use of force training; and

WHEREAS, the SAFE-T-Act contains several elements that impact the ability for the City to most effectively provide police services, including, but not limited to, unreasonably limiting the imposition of cash bail, unreasonably limiting police officer discretion to make arrests, imposing unreasonable police certification and decertification standards, and mandating unreasonable custodial accommodations; and

WHEREAS, this poorly drafted law, containing ill-conceived directives, would negatively affect the safety of every citizen of our community; and

WHEREAS, we must stand with the men and women of law enforcement who consistently stand up for us, and we must not allow for this law to stand as passed; and

WHEREAS, there is an opportunity for legislators to continue to work with public safety representatives and all community stakeholders to further amend the SAFE-T-Act to address outstanding public safety concerns; and

WHEREAS, a failure to remove these provisions or repeal the SAFE-T-Act prior to January 1, 2023, will put the safety of law-abiding citizens and members of law enforcement at risk;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST PEORIA, TAZEWELL COUNTY, ILLINOIS, THAT:

Section 1. The above recitations are found to be true and correct and are incorporated herein.

Section 2. The City of East Peoria demands that state legislators work with public safety representatives and all community stakeholders to fix the remaining problems with the SAFE-T-Act; including, but not limited to, unreasonably limiting the imposition of cash bail, unreasonably limiting police officer discretion to make arrests, imposing unreasonable police certification and decertification standards, mandating unreasonable custodial accommodations, unreasonably allowing offenders to violate terms of their release, and violating victim's rights as outlined in Illinois law.

Section 3. The City of East Peoria demands that these provisions are removed, or that the SAFE-T-Act be repealed prior to their implementation on January 1, 2023.

Section 4. This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its adoption as provided by law.

Motion by Commissioner Mingus, seconded by Commissioner Sutherland; Mr. Mayor, I move that Resolution No. 2223-072 be adopted as presented.

Mayor Kahl invited Tazewell County State's Attorney Kevin Johnson to the podium. He thanked the City Council for adopting the resolution and commented on the SAFE-T-Act. He explained the importance of acting and informing legislators of one's opinion about the legislation. He explained that he feels that it is poorly worded legislation. It is about the security of our communities, and he encouraged citizens not only of East Peoria but all of Tazewell County to contact the attorney general, the governor, and legislators of their concerns with the law. This legislation was passed in the early morning hours. On the first reading, it had bipartisan support. On the second reading, 300-400 more pages of legislation and changes were added. With the third reading, there were 400 more pages and without advanced warning and notice. States Attorney Johnson does not feel that everyone had a chance to read it. 100 out of 102

states attorneys in Illinois oppose or feel that there need to have changes made to the legislation. One judge estimated at least 85% of it is flawed legislation and would not achieve what proponents said that it would. Sheriffs are in opposition as are the police chief's organization. He feels that it is poorly written legislation, and there is a lot in the 700 pages, including elimination of cash bail. He explained that in the past there has been some inequity due to some individuals' economic status. He commented on what they have done in Tazewell County regarding nonviolent offenses and bail.

States Attorney Johnson explained that there was a study in 2017 made up of a group of wide-ranging individuals that did a study on cash bail and gave recommendations for a cash bail system. He explained that the Illinois legislature ignored everything that the supreme court said in the study. They said there are very specific guidelines of who should be detained and what if any bail should be set. He feels that they took away the judges' discretion with the current legislation. Currently, there is a pretrial system that has a pretrial supervision team. The judge currently decides what the bail is, if any, after hearing from the States Attorney, defense counsel, and sometimes the defendant. A higher bond is approved if it will prevent future violations or be a danger to a community or someone or if the individual is flight risk. States Attorney Johnson explained the new legislation. He explained his understanding of the new legislation regarding the cash bail elimination. With the new legislation, one will be either detained or not detained, and if detained, one will remain in jail until the case is resolved. States Attorney Johnson discussed the detainable offenses and what are not and this being the issue. Detainable offenses are those forcible felonies that are non-probational. Some forcible felonies that are probational offenses, then you would need to file a petition to detain them. The only reason that they can be held is if it can be proven that there is a high likelihood of willful flight – this now raised the burden to clear and convincing evidence of a high likelihood of willful flight. He explained that you almost must show that they purchased a ticket to flee or evidence of planning or intent for them to leave. He believes that the judge cannot consider if they are a danger to the community. For forcible felonies that are probational, not allowed to argue they are a danger to the community. Non-detainable offenses are Class 4 felonies and lower. States Attorney Johnson believes that another problem is that there are at least five or more jurisdictions that have removed cash bail, and in those states, it appears the system is working only in jurisdictions that give judges' discretion (there are no detainable and non-detainable offenses). He does not feel that we should sit and wait to see what happens, and if you look at other states, it does not appear to be good result.

States Attorney Johnson commented on lawsuits filed in this past week from, at least, three counties challenging the constitutionality of the legislation. He feels that the lawsuits are good points. However, it will take years for the lawsuit to wind through the court, and with the current composition of the court, he does not know the success that these lawsuits will have. He explained that they have been told since January 2021 by certain legislators that the legislation will be fixed. The legislation has not been fixed. However, he feels that the legislation will be fixed until after the election in November. Changes could be made in the veto session before January 1. He thanked everyone for allowing him to speak. He explained that there are also impacts on Police Departments.

Mayor Kahl thanked States Attorney Johnson and expressed hope that other community leaders act on this to help make change.

Deputy Chief of Police David Horn came up to the podium to discuss the impact that the legislation will have on the Police Department, and he thanked the City Council. He commented on police officers taking an oath to serve and protect, and he feels that this act eliminates a lot of the ability to serve and protect.

Commissioner Decker thanked Kevin and explained that he is proud to have this item on the City Council agenda. He appreciates the opportunity to vote on this and explained that there may have been good intentions with the legislation; however, he feels that there are major concerns. There are some good things that have come from this, such as body worn cameras and scenario-based training. Some things have been corrected; however, there is a lot to go. He explained that he would like to hear from those that are in favor of this legislation without making any further changes and their explanations about how this legislation will help and make our citizens safer. He expressed concern that the legislation could potentially protect criminals more than citizens.

Commissioner Hill commented on his concerns with the legislation after researching the legislation. He is concerned with the process that was used in developing and passing this legislation. He commented on the cash bail versus no cash bail. He asked everyone to do their research on this legislation. He feels that the legislators need to look take a second look prior to January 1.

Commissioner Sutherland asked about a scenario from States Attorney Johnson, and States Attorney Johnson explained what he thought might happen in the scenario.

Commissioner Mingus asked about someone needing to be removed off property. States Attorney Johnson explained that there has been some misinformation on both sides, and it is about community safety. He explained that he does not believe that someone would be able to be removed in Tazewell County with his interpretation of the legislation.

Mayor Kahl thanked States Attorney Johnson and DC Horn for being present. He explained that Senator Kahler is in favor of this legislation, and he is asking for Senator Kahler to listen to those people that he serves that are concerned about this legislation. Mayor Kahl explained that he met with several sheriffs that are in opposition of the legislation. He thanked the city council for acting. This legislation started in February 2019 and was introduced as a seven-page bill, and it is now in excess of 700 pages. He commented on the process to approve the legislation and explained that no one could have known what was in the bill. Mayor Kahl explained that there are some good things in the bill, such as body worn cameras that the City has had in place for several years already.

Yeas: Commissioners Decker, Hill, Mingus, Sutherland, and Mayor Kahl.

Nays: None.

Mayor Kahl declared the motion carried and Resolution No. 2223-072 be duly adopted as presented.

Mayor Kahl stated if there was anyone in the audience who wanted to speak on any items not on the agenda to come to the podium state the matter or matters to be discussed. There was no response.

Mayor Kahl then asked for comments from Council.

Commissioner Decker explained that he will not be at the next City council meeting.

Commissioner Hill reminded everyone that there is one day recycling event at the Festival Building on October 1 from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm. There are some fees for some items.

Commissioner Sutherland commented on watching live version of Cops and he believes that many issues begin with the parents. He feels that you cannot legislate morality and that many people who would like to help have their hands tied.

Mayor Kahl explained that Fall Clean Up is scheduled for the first full week of October. However, that does not mean that it will be collected on your normal garbage day. He is grateful to be a part of the East Peoria community and Tazewell County that put the citizens interest first and foremost.

Motion by Commissioner Sutherland, seconded by Commissioner Decker; Mr. Mayor, I move you that we adjourn until Tuesday evening, October 4, 2022 at 6:00 P.M.

Yeas: Commissioners Decker, Hill, Mingus, Sutherland, and Mayor Kahl.

Nays: None

Mayor Kahl declared the motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:24 P.M.

/s/ Morgan R. Cadwalader
City Clerk Morgan R. Cadwalader