

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

OCTOBER 4, 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 Mark E. Hill, Commissioner Seth D. Mingus, and Commissioner Michael L. Sutherland.
Absent: Commissioner Daniel S. Decker.

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 Hill; Mr. Mayor, I move that the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on September 20, 2022 be approved as printed.

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

Nays: None.

Mayor Kahl declared the motion carried.

Mayor Kahl proclaimed October 9-15, 2022 as "Fire Prevention Week". Mayor Kahl read the proclamation and thanked the Fire Department. Commissioner Mingus asked families to have escape routes and plans in the event of a fire. He presented the proclamation to Fire Chief Bobby Zimmerman. Chief Zimmerman explained that the Fire Department will be in the schools and asked parents to ask children what they learned regarding fire safety.

Mayor Kahl proclaimed October 5, 2022 as "Energy Efficiency Day". Mayor Kahl read the proclamation and it to Commissioner Hill. Commissioner Hill asked everyone to be cognizant of energy usage and conservation and encouraging individuals to conserve energy. Mayor Kahl commented on energy efficiency measures that the City has taken.

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 Mingus; Mr. Mayor, I move to adopt a consent agenda consisting of items numbered 1 through 9 as listed on the agenda for this meeting to be considered by omnibus vote.

Item Number 1 - Adoption of Resolution Number 2223-077 – Resolution to Approve Payment of the Schedule of Bills Listed on Schedule Number 10 in the amount of \$4,293,593.69.

Item Number 2 - Adoption of Ordinance Number 4675 on its Second Reading – (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.)

Item Number 3 - Adoption of Ordinance Number 4676 on its Second Reading – (AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A SPECIAL USE FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 119 ESSER STREET IN THE CITY OF EAST PEORIA, TAZEWELL COUNTY, ILLINOIS.) - Special Use for a short-term rental use for the residential property zoned "R-2, One-Family Dwelling District".

Item Number 4 - Adoption of Ordinance Number 4677 on its Second Reading – (AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A SPECIAL USE FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2 BAUER LANE IN THE CITY OF EAST PEORIA, TAZEWELL COUNTY, ILLINOIS.) – Special Use for an oversized accessory building located on the property zoned “R-2, One Family Dwelling District”.

Item Number 5 - Adoption of Ordinance Number 4671 on its Second Reading – (AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR ANNEXATION OF THE CARSON PROPERTY TO THE CITY OF EAST PEORIA, ILLINOIS (Parcel Number 05-05-05-201-001).)

Item Number 6 - Adoption of Ordinance Number 4674 on its Second Reading – (AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ZONING REGULATIONS IN TITLE 5 OF THE EAST PEORIA CITY CODE FOR SPECIAL USES ALLOWED IN CONSERVATION DISTRICTS.)

Item Number 7 - Adoption of Resolution Number 2223-073 on its Second Reading - Resolution Approving Second Amendment to Services Agreement with Good Energy L.P. for Electricity Aggregation Program for Residential and Small Commercial Retail Customers.

Item Number 8 - Adoption of Resolution Number 2223-070 on its Second Reading – Resolution to approve Contract for Design and Construction Engineering Services with Midwest Engineering Associates for the Veterans Drive Bridge Repairs Project.

Item Number 9 - Adoption of Resolution of 2223-071 on its Second Reading – 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.

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

Nays: None.

Mayor Kahl declared the motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Hill, seconded by Commissioner Sutherland; Mr. Mayor, I move you that Items numbered 1 through 9 listed on the Consent Agenda be hereby approved and adopted, the items numbered 2 through 9 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.

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

Nays: None.

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

Resolution No. 2223-075 by Commissioner Hill, seconded by Commissioner Mingus; BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST PEORIA, ILLINOIS that Resolution No. 2223-075, hereto attached, a Resolution Approving Contract for Clearing Riverfront Shoreline for Development Projects, be approved. Mr. Mayor, I move you that this Resolution No. 2223-075 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 explained the project for clearing between the Bob Michel Bridge and the former Granite City Restaurant and a portion of the property along I-74 in front of Bass Pro Shops. Bid were received from three vendors (Kaboom Rigging & Heavy Equipment Operators for \$62,747.04, King Tree Specialists Inc. for \$49,500, and JIMAX Landscape, LLC for \$43,930. As such, the lowest responsive bidder is JIMAX and the proposal here is to accept their bid.

Mayor Kahl explained that the area was cleared several years ago, and he hopes that the council supports better maintaining the riverfront.

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

Nays: None.

Mayor Kahl declared the motion carried.

Resolution No. 2223-076 by Commissioner Mingus, seconded by Commissioner Hill; BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST PEORIA, ILLINOIS that Resolution No. 2223-076, hereto attached, a Resolution Approving the Purchase and Installation of Replacement of ESDA Emergency Siren Located at Eastside Centre, be approved. Mr. Mayor, I move you that this Resolution No. 2223-076 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 Mingus commented on the emergency sirens being on a schedule for replacement. This location at EastSide Centre is up for replacement on the schedule. The life expectancy is 25 plus years for the new siren. Mayor Kahl commented on the city being limited in the vendors that can replace the sirens.

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

Nays: None.

Mayor Kahl declared the motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Mingus, seconded by Commissioner Hill; Mr. Mayor, I move you that Ordinance No. 4678 hereto attached, (AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A NEW CHAPTER 2 IN TITLE 8 OF THE EAST PEORIA CITY CODE FOR IMPOSING A FEE FOR LIFT ASSIST SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE CITY'S FIRE DEPARTMENT) 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 Mingus explained that the fire department routinely has been providing lift assists to skilled nursing and independent living facilities. These calls for service are for lift assists only, no medical care is rendered. The residents of these facilities are paying for services from the facility that ultimately the city is providing. The fee that will be associated with this service will help offset the cost of providing this service. The fee will be charged to the facility and not the resident.

Mayor Kahl explained that staffing levels have declined at these facilities, the fee has been discussed in the past, and it is long overdue.

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

Nays: None.

Mayor Kahl declared the motion carried.

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.

Don Norbits came up to the podium and commented on open burning beginning on October 15, 2022. He explained that residents need to be cognizant of others' rights that may have respiratory issues. Mayor Kahl explained that there is brush pickup occurring this week that residents can use to get rid of brush instead of burning it.

Mayor Kahl asked for any additional comments from the audience. There was no response.

Mayor Kahl then asked for comments from Council.

Commissioner Sutherland commented on individuals that are searching through items left out for cleanup week. He asked people to keep their doors locked and items away from the streets especially during cleanup week. Commissioner Sutherland gave an update on the status of the Highview Road Project.

Commissioner Mingus commented on people being careful on the roads with increased traffic during cleanup week. He explained that the Firefighter Memorial Service is Sunday at the Festival Building, and the car seat check event is tomorrow from 1pm-4pm at the Central Firehouse.

Mayor Kahl explained that this week is cleanup week, and it is generally done on your normal garbage pickup day but can occur later depending on whether the employees get behind. He explained that this is also brush pickup week. Mayor Kahl asked those interested in applying for the open position on the Planning Commission to Ty Livingston. He explained several items that the Planning Commission works on, including overseeing the comprehensive plan.

Motion by Commissioner Sutherland, seconded by Commissioner Mingus; Mr. Mayor, I move you that we adjourn until Tuesday evening, October 18, 2022 at 6:00 P.M.

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

Nays: None

Mayor Kahl declared the motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 6:27 P.M.

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