

Minutes to the Regular City Council Meeting
held on Wednesday, February 12, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor John Wabel opened the meeting with the pledge of allegiance. Answering roll call were Aldermen: Jason; Hattan; Modro; Zellmer; Schoof and Strawn. City Clerk Anderle was also present. Treasurer Davis was absent.

Approval of Minutes

Alderman Hattan moved to approve the minutes for the January 15, 2020 Regular City Council meeting. Alderman Strawn seconded. Roll call: 6 ayes.

Pay Monthly Bills

Alderman Jason moved to authorize payment of bills as presented. Alderman Zellmer seconded. Roll call: 6 ayes.

New Business

Donna Augustyn-Sloan-Update from Lacon Area Community Center, postponed until next meeting.

Betsy Reed, Head Librarian from Lacon Public Library reported to the council about a grant from Tri-County Regional Planning to help with the 2020 Census. Reed reported she will be applying for the grant and use to extend hours at the library to allow residents to use computers to complete online census forms and advertisement in local papers.

Alderman Strawn made a motion to approve Change order #1 with contractor Hoerr Construction for the N. Main Street Storm Sewer Project at a total cost of \$38,395 for additional storm sewer work on 200 Block of Sixth Street. Alderman Jason seconded. Roll call: 6 ayes.

Alderman Schoof made a motion to approve Ordinance 2020-1 Authorizing a TIF Intergovernmental Agreement with Lacon Public Library for \$4,124 to replace the front doors at the Library. Alderman Modro seconded. Roll call: 6 ayes.

Alderman Schoof made a motion to approve Ordinance 2020-2 Declaring 2018 Payable 2019 TIF I Surplus Revenue and Authorize Payment of \$214,558.02 back to Marshall County Treasurer to Distribute to Taxing District. Alderman Strawn seconded. Roll call: 6 ayes.

Alderman Strawn made a motion to approve advertising bids for the 2020 mowing season for Johnson's Park, Weber Park and Riverview Ct. Alderman Modro seconded. Roll call: 6 ayes.

Alderman Strawn made a motion to enter into negotiations with North Central Illinois Council of Governments to help with the grant process for the Economic Development Program Grant. Strawn stated he will come back to the council later with the cost and contract for NCICG to process the grant. Alderman Jason seconded. Roll call: 6 ayes.

Alderman Modro made a motion to approve a donation of a 20' Boat Slip and issue a Certificate to the Midland PTO to raffle at their school carnival. Alderman Hattan seconded. Roll call: 6 ayes.

Alderman Reports

Alderman Strawn stated he will be having a committee meeting later this month to start FY 20-21 Budget planning.

Alderman Schoof stated he would like committees to turn their budget sheets in by the March regular meeting so we can have a finance meeting by late March and have FY 20-21 budget ready to approve at the April regular council meeting.

Alderman Hattan reported the controls for the Well House and Water Tower have been installed. Hattan reported there has been damage to the sweep in one the pits at the waste treatment plant from the cold weather.

Mayor Wabel shared an email dated August 7, 2019 from Congressman Ryan Spain asking for a list of capital improvements projects he could request for the city from the Capital Improvement Bill. Wabel replied to Spain with a list of projects. After six months Spain replied back stating he requested \$100,000 for Lacon infrastructure improvements and will likely be delivered in one lump sum in 2022.

Mayor Wabel reported he received a service estimate for the Street Sweeper repairs of an additional cost of \$6,614.85. After the sweeper was inspected at EJ Equipment shop they discovered more issues from the previous inspection they did at the city garage. Wabel spoke with EJ Equipment and they are estimating cost will be about \$11,000. Alderman Strawn will be going over to E J Equipment in Manteno to look at needed repairs. Census of council was to proceed with repairs.

General Fund:

Checking: \$161,617.07
General Fund MMDA \$280,926.59
US Bank (Illinois Funds) \$ closed

Band Fund: \$ 8,027.75

Motor Fuel Tax:

Checking: -0-
MMDA: \$462,603.36
US Bank \$ closed

Water & Sewer Fund:

Checking: \$ 193,384.02
W & S MMDA: \$ 164,740.61

TIF Fund:

TIF I MMDA: \$1,215,165.93
TIF II MMDA: \$ 48,079.72
TIF III MMDA: \$ 110,020.07
TIF IV MMDA: \$ 4,599.56
TIF V MMDA: \$ 7,935.44

Alderman Strawn moved to adjourn at 7:42 p.m. Aldermen Zellmer seconded. Roll call: 6 ayes.

Connie Anderle – City Clerk

John Wabel – Mayor