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**SYCAMORE CITY COUNCIL – REGULAR MEETING  
MINUTES OF MAY 16, 2005**

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**ROLL CALL**

Mayor Ken Mundy called the meeting to order and Clerk Candy Smith called the roll. Those Alderpersons present were: Grace Adee, Alan Bauer, Terry Kessler, Darren Knuth, Barbara Leach, Cheryl Maness, Pete Paulsen, and Chuck Stowe.

**INVOCATION**

Pastor William Bridgewater of the Israel of God Church gave the invocation.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Motion**

Aldersperson Leach moved to approve the agenda and Aldersperson Maness seconded the motion.

**Voice Vote**

Mayor Mundy called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All Alderspersons voted aye. Motion carried 8 - 0.

**AUDIENCE TO VISITORS**

Peter Barick, 433 W. High St., wondered why the zoning change on N. Sacramento Street was being requested. He said by injecting that many residents into the area, future development of light manufacturing might be impinged. He asked Council to table the issue for further consideration.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Approval of the Minutes for the City Council Meeting of May 2, 2005;
- B. Payment of the Bills for May 16, 2005 in the amount of \$381,348.25;
- C. Plan Commission Minutes for the Regular Meeting of April 11, 2005.

**Motion**

Aldersperson Bauer moved to approve the Consent Agenda and Aldersperson Kessler seconded the motion.

**Voice Vote**

Mayor Mundy called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All Alderspersons voted aye. Motion carried 8 - 0.

**PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, AND BILLS.**

- A. Introduction of the twelve graduates of the Sycamore Fire Science Cadet program by Fire Chief Bill Riddle. High school graduation is the culmination of a two-year Fire Science Cadet Program for these seniors. Each has attended classes taught by Sycamore firefighters five days a week in the Public Safety Building. Besides high school credit and some valuable practical experience, each student earns twelve hours of college credit through Rock Valley College. The graduates are: Thorn Ackmann, Ryan Aday, Brad Cooper, Jason Frye, Mike Gunderson, Anthony Kelley, Jason Knudsen, Jeffrey Larson, Justin Lee, Jorge Mendoza, Swen Norris, Dusty Provow, Brian Reed, Ian Wheeler, Ashley Williams, and Nicholas Young.

Fire Chief Riddle recognized the Sycamore graduates Thorn Ackmann, Anthony Kelley, Jeffrey Larson, Brian Reed, Ashley Williams, and Nicholas Young. He said these students were at the Fire Station 5 days a week for 2 years and will join the department as interns next year.

Ashley Williams thanked the Fire Department and the firefighters for their time and training and presented a statue to Chief Riddle. Ms. Williams also presented a plaque to Mayor Mundy and Manager Nicklas.

Mayor Mundy wished the class long, happy, healthy, and safe careers. He thanked the Fire Department and Bruce Griffith of KEC for putting this together.

B. Introduction of Firefighter John Pink, who has been appointed by the Fire and Police Commission to replace Charles Lorenz.

Chief Riddle said Firefighter Pink has completed the Fire Academy, is a licensed paramedic, and has his Associate Degree and had Clerk Smith swear him in.

Firefighter Pink introduced his parents, girlfriend, and brother's fiancé who were in the audience.

C. Presentation of the Annual Report of the Sycamore Fire and Police Commission.

Mayor Mundy said Fire and Police Commissioner Dick Ubl was not able to attend the meeting due to illness, but asked the clerk to note that the report was received by Council.

Aldersperson Bauer said that although a portion of the Parkside Drive sidewalk was scheduled on the sidewalk program, he felt there was a safety issue on Parkside and suggested putting something on the sidewalk which is very close to the street to divert the traffic. Mr. Bauer asked if Council would consider supplementing the 50/50 sidewalk program for those portions needing to be thicker at the driveway. He thought perhaps \$4 per square foot. Mr. Nicklas said he could bring an ordinance back reflecting that change. Mr. Bauer also suggested regulating smoking in restaurants and Alderspersons Knuth, Adee, and Leach said they were all for it. Mayor Mundy placed the issue in Ordinance Committee for discussion.

Mayor Mundy said the community has lost three people who dedicated their adult lives to helping others – Charles Roberts, Nancy Marchiando, and Bishop Joseph Thomas.

Aldersperson Leach said the Pumpkin Festival Committee will announce the theme contest winner Wednesday, May 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. at the Courthouse.

Aldersperson Kessler said she received a call from a resident concerned about accessible parking space sizes and about those parking in them without stickers. Ms. Kessler said she has a list of the spaces.

Manager Nicklas asked Chief Thomas to take up the issue with the engineer.

Aldersperson Maness said Parkside Drive residents are complaining about the weight limit of trucks traveling on the street.

Mr. Nicklas asked the Building Department to contact the contractors and developers.

## **REPORT OF OFFICERS**

Manager – Bill Nicklas reminded Council about the Special Workshop meeting for Council and the School Board Thursday night in the lower level of the National Bank & Trust Company for the purpose of hearing a presentation of the Fiscal Impact Study.

Engineer – John Brady reported that Bethany Road will be closed between Somonauk and Peace Road until August 1, 2005.

Building & Zoning –Lyle Doty said many times when residents replace their driveway approaches they have to replace the curb. He wondered if there would be any money to reimburse for part of the curbs. Mr. Nicklas said that would be a financial discussion he would need to have with Mr. Doty before taking it to Council. Mr. Doty said he has contacted Sycamore Ford Mazda to remove the large blowup signs.

Fire Chief – Bill Riddle said there will be cake and ice cream at the Fire Station tonight.

Treasurer – Mayor Mundy gave his final treasurer's report stating that the Fire and Police pension grew at 9.7% this past year. He said the revenue for FY2005 is at 111% and the expenditures are at 80% and there are still some expenditures to cost out.

Treasurer Gregory said they are working to close FY05 and start FY06. He said the city newsletter is 75% completed and he asked Council to stay after the meeting so he could get pictures of them for the website.

Public Works Supt. – Fred Busse reminded the public that it is an ordinance violation to mow the yard and let it discharge into the street.

Water Supt. – Ebe Smith said last Tuesday through Friday over 50 samples were taken from Well #5 for sand, radium, etc. He said results will be back in two weeks for everything except radium which will take 5 weeks. He said the results will determine what needs to be done to get that well back into the system.

Police Chief – Don Thomas said on June 25 they will be conducting the written test for a new eligibility test for police officer.

## **REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

Finance – no report

Ordinance – no report

Police & Fire – no report

Sewer & Water –no report

Streets & Walks – no report

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

## **ORDINANCES**

**A. Ordinance No. 2005.05—An Ordinance Approving the Allowance of Opportunity House to Use a Portion of Page Street and Indemnifying the City of Sycamore, Illinois. First and Second Reading.**

Manager Nicklas said Opportunity House has requested the use of a portion of the Page Street right-of-way between North Maple Street and North California Street for off-street parking to serve a new training building on their property. He said Plan Commission forwarded unanimous recommendation for approval with the condition of extending a sidewalk to the west side of the property.

**Motion**

Aldersperson Maness moved to hear Ordinance 2005.05 on first and second reading and Aldersperson Paulsen seconded the motion.

**Voice Vote**

Mayor Mundy called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All Alderspersons voted aye. Motion carried 8 - 0.

**Motion**

Aldersperson Stowe moved to approve Ordinance 2005.05 with the condition of extending the sidewalk and Aldersperson Paulsen seconded the motion.

**Voice Vote**

Mayor Mundy called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All Alderspersons voted aye. Motion carried 8 - 0.

**B. Ordinance No. 2005.06—An Ordinance Providing for the Issuance of \$2,965,000 General Obligation Bonds, Series 2005, of the City of Sycamore, DeKalb County, Illinois, and Providing for the Levy and Collection of a Direct Annual Tax for the payment of the Principal of, and Interest on, Said Bonds. First and Second Reading.**

Manager Nicklas said there was a presentation by Eric Anderson of Harris Bank at the last regular meeting. He said since that meeting Mr. Anderson has drafted the ordinance.

Eric Anderson said since the May 2 meeting the city undertook a Moody's rating update. He said he was positioning us for an AA3, but we did not meet the fair value of \$1,000,000,000. We have a fair value of \$795,000,000. He said we should be looked at as an A1 with outlook. He said the draft of the ordinance was updated at 4:00 p.m. today and any interest rate will be locked in until July 5, 2005 when the bond issue is scheduled to close.

Mr. Nicklas said the ordinance refers to our obligation to use our full faith and credit to ultimately redeem the bonds and to sustain the debt service until the bonds are redeemed.

Aldersperson Kessler thanked Mr. Anderson for being tenacious.

**Motion**

Aldersperson Bauer moved to hear Ordinance 2005.06 on first and second reading and Aldersperson Kessler seconded the motion.

**Voice Vote**

Mayor Mundy called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All Alderspersons voted aye. Motion carried 8 - 0.

**Motion**

Aldersperson Maness moved to approve Ordinance 2005.06 and Aldersperson Kessler seconded the motion.

**Roll Call Vote**

Mayor Mundy called for a roll call vote to approve the motion. Alderspersons Bauer, Kessler, Knuth, Leach, Maness, Paulsen, Stowe, and Adey voted aye. Motion carried 8 - 0.

**C. Ordinance No. 2005.07—An Ordinance Concerning the Recommendation of the Plan Commission With Regard to a Petition from John L. Castle Builders for a Final Plat for Unit II of the Heron Creek Townhomes P.U.D. First and Second Reading.**

Manager Nicklas said since this final plat was approved in February 2004 some lots have been shifted but the number of units has remained the same. He said this plat will reflect the most accurate version. The Plan Commission recommended unanimously with the provision that Lots 65, 66, and 67 be shifted to the west.

**Motion**

Aldersperson Maness moved to hear Ordinance 2005.07 on first and second reading and Aldersperson Stowe seconded the motion.

**Voice Vote**

Mayor Mundy called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All Alderspersons voted aye. Motion carried 8 - 0.

**Motion**

Aldersperson Paulsen moved to approve Ordinance 2005.07 and Aldersperson Leach seconded the motion.

Aldersperson Kessler expressed concern for emergency services when circle-shaped streets names change.

Engineer Brady said the purpose of the name change is to keep the flow of address numbers.

Police Chief Thomas said it is easier for Police officers to learn the names of more streets and to keep the grid numbers logical.

Aldersperson Kessler asked if the chiefs are involved in planning the street names.

Aldersperson Paulsen said it is good practice to have the different street names in order to keep the flow of numbers.

**Voice Vote**

Mayor Mundy called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All Alderspersons voted aye. Motion carried 8 - 0.

**D. Ordinance No. 2005.08—An Ordinance Concerning the Recommendation of the Plan Commission With Regard to a Petition from Dahlko LLC for a Final Plat for Phase One, Unit 5 of the Townsend Woods P.U.D. First and Second Reading.**

Manager Nicklas said the Plan Commission reviewed this plat at its regular meeting of May 9 and voted 11-0 to recommend its approval with the following conditions:

- prior to recording, the plat should be revised to show a landscape easement along the rear property lines of the lots abutting Hopkins Lane;
- a note should be added on the plat to state that there would be no access to Hopkins Lane from Lots 222-232.

**Motion**

Alderson Maness moved to hear Ordinance 2005.08 on first and second reading and Alderson Leach seconded the motion.

**Voice Vote**

Mayor Mundy called for a voice vote to approve the motion. Seven Aldersons voted aye with Alderson Paulsen voting nay. Motion carried 7 - 1.

**Motion**

Alderson Maness moved to approve Ordinance 2005.08 and Alderson Bauer seconded the motion.

Alderson Paulsen said that one condition, all of Landahl streets be completed, has not been met. He said he has seen very little activity at Maplewood and Route 23 and asked the status of Mt. Hunger/Route 23 intersection.

Jim Stoddard, 2048 Aberdeen Court, representing Mr. Dahl, said with regard to the Maplewood intersection has just today received a schedule from Curran’s Contracting Company. He said Verizon’s work is completed, the week of May 15 Martin will start and finish excavating and widening, the week of May 23 Curran will start and finish paving, the week of May 30 they will start and finish ditching, striping, and the shoulders, and the week of June 6 the final landscaping and turn on signals – he said Virgil Cook will call to signal turn on either June 6, 7, or 9, they are waiting for a call back from IDOT.

Alderson Paulsen said he would like to hold this until that is completed.

Jim Stoddard said he feels the conditions are being met and asked Council for approval.

Alderson Kessler said the Council’s concern is that this has been an upward battle and they are frustrated. She said the hesitation is because they lack faith.

**Motion to Table**

Alderson Paulsen moved to table this item and Alderson Stowe seconded the motion.

Mayor Mundy questioned whether it would be in good service to that area to delay and said they should try to get this wrapped up.

Alderson Leach asked if lots were sold and Mr. Dahl said there were contracts.

Alderson Stowe said there is history here. He said sidewalk was not put in until the last minute and he thinks they should stick with the conditions.

Alderson Kessler said it is not her intention to be punitive, but she said if the conditions are not met, the Council would be hard pressed to give again.

Jim Stoddard asked Council to approve this plat and hold permitting until the conditions are met.

Aldersperson Paulsen asked if the streets in Townsend Woods are on Curran's list.

Mr. Dahl said they were on Curran's schedule last fall and an early winter shut the schedule down.

**Voice Vote**

Mayor Mundy called for a voice vote to approve the motion to table. Two Alderspersons voted aye with Alderspersons Bauer, Kessler, Knuth, Leach, Maness, and Adey voting nay. Motion failed 2 - 6.

**Amended Motion**

Aldersperson Bauer moved to amend the original motion to allow no building permits until the 3 conditions are met and Aldersperson Paulsen seconded the motion.

**Voice Vote**

Mayor Mundy called for a voice vote to approve the amended motion. All Alderspersons voted aye. Motion carried 8 - 0.

**Voice Vote**

Mayor Mundy called for a voice vote to approve the original motion. All Alderspersons voted aye. Motion carried 8 - 0.

**E. Ordinance No. 2005.09—An Ordinance Concerning the Recommendation of the Plan Commission With Regard to a Petition from Jeffrey A. and Colleen N. Overton and Hickory Terrace LLC for the Annexation and Rezoning of the Property at 1510 Freed Road to “R-1” Single Family Zoning District and “R-3” Multiple Family Zoning District with a Special Use Permit for a Planned Development. First and Second Reading.**

Manager Nicklas explained that at the time of the Hickory Terrace annexation a .723-acre single family parcel at the west side of the intersection of Freed and the main entrance to the subdivision remained within the County jurisdiction. He said the property to be rezone “R-3” is the south 30 feet of the property, abutting the Hickory Terrace subdivision. He said the creation of this zoning would provide a wider permanent green space between the single family home and the townhome development to the south.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

Mayor Mundy opened a Public Hearing for this issue.

Jim Stoddard, 2048 Aberdeen Court, said Hickory Terrace was approved with the understanding that this parcel would be annexed within 2 years.

Hearing no further comments, Mayor Mundy closed the hearing.

**Motion**

Aldersperson Paulsen moved to hear Ordinance 2005.09 on first and second reading and Aldersperson Maness seconded the motion.

**Voice Vote**

Mayor Mundy called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All Alderpersons voted aye. Motion carried 8 - 0.

**Motion**

Alderperson Paulsen moved to approve Ordinance 2005.09 and Alderperson Stowe seconded the motion.

**Roll Call Vote**

Mayor Mundy called for a voice vote to approve the motion. Alderpersons Bauer, Kessler, Knuth, Leach, Maness, Paulsen, Stowe, Adee, and Mayor Mundy voted aye. Motion carried 9 - 0.

**F. Ordinance No. 2005.10—An Ordinance Annexing the Property Known as the Overton Parcel at 1510 Freed Road in the City of Sycamore, Illinois. First and Second Reading.**

Manager Nicklas said this ordinance annexes the Overton parcel for recording purposes.

**Motion**

Alderperson Paulsen moved to hear Ordinance 2005.10 on first and second reading and Alderperson Kessler seconded the motion.

**Voice Vote**

Mayor Mundy called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All Alderpersons voted aye. Motion carried 8 - 0.

**Motion**

Alderperson Kessler moved to approve Ordinance 2005.10 and Alderperson Leach seconded the motion.

**Roll Call Vote**

Mayor Mundy called for a voice vote to approve the motion. Alderpersons Bauer, Kessler, Knuth, Leach, Maness, Paulsen, Stowe, Adee, and Mayor Mundy voted aye. Motion carried 9 - 0.

**G. Ordinance No. 2005.11—An Ordinance Concerning the Recommendation of the Plan Commission With Regard to a Petition from Hickory Terrace LLC for a Final Plat for the Hickory Terrace Townhomes P.U.D. First and Second Reading.**

Manager Nicklas said this final plat shows Lot 50 dedicated to the townhouse development showing six buildings that would account for the 26 attached townhomes allowed in the original development plan. He said since the units will be sold in fee simple, the plat office will define the lot lines.

**Motion**

Alderperson Paulsen moved to hear Ordinance 2005.11 on first and second reading and Alderperson Stowe seconded the motion.

**Voice Vote**

Mayor Mundy called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All Alderpersons voted aye. Motion carried 8 - 0.

**Motion**

Alderperson Stowe moved to approve Ordinance 2005.11 and Alderperson Paulsen seconded the motion.

Alderperson Maness said the Sanderson's first had a bike path in their plan and were allowed to remove it. She said in a few years the County and the City will probably have to pay for such a sidewalk.

Aldersperson Paulsen asked if this will be built before the single family housing.

Jim Stoddard, 2048 Aberdeen Court, said most of the single family portion has been sold to the Castle brothers and the Sanderson's kept a couple of lots and will build the multi-family.

Dave Sanderson, 1405 John St., said they lowered the number of units to 23 and are hoping to get started this year. He said they asked Castle to sell the lots to local builders.

**Voice Vote**

Mayor Mundy called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All Alderspersons voted aye. Motion carried 8 - 0.

**H. Ordinance No. 2005.12—An Ordinance Concerning the Recommendation of the Plan Commission With Regard to a Petition from the Sycamore Community Unit School District No. 427 to Rezone a Portion of the Property at 245 West Exchange Street from “R-2” Two Family Residence District to “R-3” Multiple Family Residence District. First and Second Reading.**

Manager Nicklas said the School Superintendent advised that the Board of Education appreciated the Commission's review and the response of the neighborhood and will not formally seek a Council vote on this matter.

**I. Ordinance No. 2005.13--An Ordinance Concerning the Recommendation of the Plan Commission With Regard to a Petition from EFS Bank for a Temporary Office Building at 245 West Peace Road in the City of Sycamore, Illinois. First and Second Reading.**

Manager Nicklas said the Plan Commission forwarded a favorable recommendation with the following conditions:

- the temporary building will be removed within ten days of the opening of the permanent bank branch;
- the paving below and around the temporary building will be removed within thirty days of the opening of the permanent branch building and the area will be properly restored.

**Motion**

Aldersperson Leach moved to hear Ordinance 2005.13 on first and second reading and Aldersperson Maness seconded the motion.

**Voice Vote**

Mayor Mundy called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All Alderspersons voted aye. Motion carried 8 - 0.

**Motion**

Aldersperson Leach moved to approve Ordinance 2005.13 with the Plan Commission's conditions and Aldersperson Adey seconded the motion.

**Voice Vote**

Mayor Mundy called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All Alderspersons voted aye. Motion carried 8 - 0.

**J. Ordinance No. 2005.14--An Ordinance Concerning the Recommendation of the Plan Commission With Regard to a Petition from T&D Properties of DeKalb County to Rezone Property at 235, 245, 255 and 265 North Sacramento Street from “M-1” Light Manufacturing District to “R-3” Multiple Family Residence District with a Special Use Permit for a Planned Unit Development. First and Second Reading.**

Manager Nicklas said Mr. Bowen would like to re-design the units so they are “stacked” residential condominiums, with the ground level spaces devoted to garages, utility room and possibly recreation room and the second floor spaces devoted to the kitchens, living areas, and bedrooms. He said the proposal does not allow for any additional units and in fact would create a less intense use. He said among the concerns is the possibility of children cutting through the rear yards of abutting single-family properties, the protection of adjacent properties from plowed snow and debris, and the need to buffer sounds along the north side. The Commission voted to approve the rezoning as presented, but to condition the special use permit request by requiring the following:

- a six-foot solid fence along the south, west and north sides of the property; and
- landscaped islands within the center parking area and landscaping between the sidewalk and the front façade facing Sacramento Street.

**Motion**

Aldersperson Maness moved to hear Ordinance 2005.14 on first and second reading and Aldersperson Stowe seconded the motion.

**Voice Vote**

Mayor Mundy called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All Alderspersons voted aye. Motion carried 8 - 0.

**Motion**

Aldersperson Maness moved to approve Ordinance 2005.14 and amended the motion with the condition to change the 6-foot fence along the south side to 4 feet and the rest of the fencing at 6 feet and Aldersperson Kessler seconded the motion and agreed to the amendment.

Aldersperson Leach asked why the change of zoning was requested.

Jim Stoddard, 2048 Aberdeen Ct., said Mr. Bowen found that a better use might be these single family units and that seems to be the general consensus of the neighbors.

Aldersperson Leach said it looks pretty commercial and asked if there was any ability to change or dress up the project.

Mr. Stoddard said he thought Mr. Bowen would want to make it marketable and also he had no problem with the landscaping. He said Mr. Bowen was not sure the neighbors would want a 6 foot fence and might want only a 4 foot fence.

Mr. Nicklas said the Commission did not necessarily insist on a six foot fence on the south side.

Aldersperson Knuth asked if the rezoning would allow for more bedrooms.

Mr. Stoddard said it would not.

Alderson Adee asked where the residents would park.

Mr. Stoddard said on the street and in the parking areas.

Alderson Bauer said when he first read this he was opposed to losing the M-1 zoning. He said it was too bad that our ordinance provided for such a project and said a lot of landscaping will be needed.

Alderson Paulsen expressed concern that the road around the perimeter of the property was too narrow.

Mr. Stoddard said he thought the zoning change would make it a nicer property.

Alderson Paulsen asked if the maintenance building would still be built.

Mr. Stoddard said the building would not be necessary if the units were no longer rentals.

Alderson Maness amended her motion to change the fencing on the south side to 4 foot and Kessler agreed to second that.

#### **Voice Vote**

Mayor Mundy called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All Aldersons voted aye. Motion carried 8 - 0.

### **RESOLUTIONS**

#### **A. Resolution No. 457—Authorizing the Mayor to Sign a Loan Agreement with the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency for Funding the Building and Pump Equipment for the Well No. 9 Project on Airport Road in the City of Sycamore, Illinois.**

Manager Nicklas said the resolution extends the loan agreement with the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency in the amount of \$845,088 to include the well building and pump equipment for Well #9 on Airport Road. He said the loan is at 2.5% simple interest for a term of 20 years.

#### **Motion**

Alderson Bauer moved to approve Resolution 457 and Alderson Maness seconded the motion.

#### **Voice Vote**

Mayor Mundy called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All Aldersons voted aye. Motion carried 8 - 0.

#### **B. Resolution No. 458—Authorizing the Mayor to Sign a Medical Services Agreement with Kishwaukee Corporate Health.**

Manager Nicklas said at the last regular Council meeting of May 2, the Council concurred with the staff recommendation to pursue a one-year medical services agreement with Kishwaukee Corporate Health. He said the selection of this firm followed a request for proposals from other local medical service providers. He said the focus of the contract will be the physical exams for new employees, annual exams for the City's firefighters, and exams for work-related injuries.

Aldersperson Paulsen asked if the EKG price was right and Mr. Nicklas said the amount is about \$200 cheaper than the other bids.

**Motion**

Aldersperson Maness moved to approve Resolution 458 and Aldersperson Knuth seconded the motion.

**Voice Vote**

Mayor Mundy called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All Alderspersons voted aye. Motion carried 8 - 0.

**CONSIDERATIONS**

**A. Consideration of a Waste Management West Request to Revise its Collection Schedule in the Woodgate Subdivision.**

Manager Nicklas said that Tom Kleczewski, Waste Management’s municipal manager, wanted to address Council.

Tom Kleczewski, 593 Shenandoah Trail, Elgin, said that Sycamore has grown to 5,000 homes and they are requesting to change 353 contiguous homes in Woodgate subdivision to Tuesday pickup in order to balance the two days of refuse pickup.

Aldersperson Leach asked if they could target more closely what time the pickup would occur.

Mr. Kleczewski said he was not sure, but it should be consistent once it gets changed.

Mr. Nicklas said the households would need advance written notice and Mr. Kleczewski said they would do that.

**Motion**

Aldersperson Bauer moved to approve and Aldersperson Adee seconded the motion.

**Voice Vote**

Mayor Mundy called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All Alderspersons voted aye. Motion carried 8 - 0.

**B. Consideration of a Professional Services Contract with McMahon Associates, Inc. to Update the City’s Facility Plan for Wastewater Collection and Treatment.**

Manager Nicklas explained that a city interview team consisting of the City Manager, Public Works Superintendent, Assistant Public Works Superintendent for the Treatment Plant, and the City Engineer interviewed five of the eight firms between April 15 and April 21. Based on a thorough review of references, recent professional work, and follow-up questions with the principals, the committee unanimously recommends the Council’s support for a contract with McMahon Associates, Inc. The firm provided the most competitive pricing for the scope of work, and appeared to have the most relevant experience and professional credentials for Sycamore’s needs.

The attached contract proposes a scope of work that would accomplish the following tasks:

1. Treatment Plant Capacity.

- a) review the performance of the existing wastewater treatment processes;
- b) determine flow and load parameters that would need to be incorporated in future treatment facility expansion, based on the residential, commercial and industrial growth assumptions in the 2003 Sycamore Comprehensive Plan;
- c) consider future water quality requirements, particularly anti-degradation and nutrient removal regulations.
- d) consider prospects for simplifying the treatment process to achieve higher energy efficiency, lower equipment and maintenance costs, and lower labor costs.
- e) consider biosolid processing, storage and volume reduction strategies.

## 2. Collection System and Wastewater Transport.

- a) include reviews of the current collection system;
- b) analyze potential loadings from the various drainage basins within the service area;
- c) project potential growth areas and population densities, based on the City's Comprehensive Plan of 2003.

Mr. Nicklas said the estimated cost of this work is \$70,000 and any additional costs would be authorized only with Council approval. Mr. Nicklas introduced Tim Bronn of McMahon Associates, Inc.

Tim Bronn, W9120 Ripley Road, Cambridge, said they are pleased to have an opportunity to do this work for Sycamore. He said they have vast experience in wastewater and are well versed in the new requirements of the EPA.

Superintendent Busse said this firm is very qualified and has extensive background in nutrient removal. He said they are willing to use the tankage we have currently and add to the process rather than tearing it down and totally rebuild.

### **Motion**

Aldersperson Maness moved to approve a contract with McMahon Associates, Inc in the amount of \$70,000 and Aldersperson Leach seconded the motion.

### **Voice Vote**

Mayor Mundy called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All Alderspersons voted aye. Motion carried 8 - 0.

## **APPOINTMENTS**

Mayor Mundy appointed David Shipley to the Plan Commission as the School Board representative.

### **Motion**

Aldersperson Maness moved to approve the appointment and Aldersperson Paulsen seconded the motion.

### **Voice Vote**

Mayor Mundy called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All Alderspersons voted aye. Motion carried 8 - 0.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion**

Aldersperson Stowe moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:20 p.m. and Aldersperson Leach seconded the motion.

**Voice Vote**

Mayor Mundy called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All Alderspersons voted aye. Motion carried 8 - 0.

Approve:

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Mayor – Ken Mundy

Attest:

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City Clerk – Candy Smith