
**SYCAMORE CITY COUNCIL – REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES OF JULY 6, 2010**

ROLL CALL

Mayor Ken Mundy called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and City Clerk Candy Smith called the roll. Those Alderpersons present were: Alan Bauer, Steven Braser, Rich Neubauer, Pete Paulsen, Chuck Stowe, Gregory Taylor, and Janice Tripp. Alderperson Terry Kessler was absent.

INVOCATION

Pastor Bob Weinhold of St. John Lutheran Church gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion

Alderperson Bauer moved to approve the agenda and Alderperson Taylor seconded the motion.

Voice vote

Mayor Mundy called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All Alderpersons voted aye. Motion carried 7 - 0.

AUDIENCE TO VISITORS

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of the Minutes for the Regular City Council Meeting of June 21, 2010.
- B. Payment of the Bills for July 6, 2010 in the amount of \$2,928,854.83.

Alderperson Bauer noted that half of the total bill amount was fuel dollars and part of the rest was treatment plant payments.

Motion

Alderperson Bauer moved to approve the Consent Agenda and Alderperson Taylor seconded the motion.

Voice vote

Mayor Mundy called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All Alderpersons voted aye. Motion carried 7 - 0.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, AND BILLS.

Mayor Mundy noted that Council has met in the Sycamore Center for seven years. He also encouraged safety first for summer and urged everyone to shop locally.

- A. Introduction of Patrol Officer Bradley Caldwell who replaced Dan Wojcik when he became a full-time School Resource Officer, and Patrol Officer Jonathan Miller who replaced Dave Haas upon his retirement. Both officers have now completed their field training and are doing well.

REPORT OF OFFICERS

City Manager – Bill Nicklas reported that the water tower was being painted and would be in service by the end of summer; the police addition is underway and should be completed by December 2010; Lindgren Road should be completed by the start of school; and street maintenance has begun. Mr. Nicklas said these projects total \$15.8 million and all are being paid through capital funds.

Engineer – John Brady, Sycamore Municipal Engineering, said the City received the IDOT permit for underground work at the water tower so Wagner has begun work.

Director of Building & Engineering – John Sauter said they have 11 detached single-family homes permitted which is 1 more than all of 2009.

Asst. Fire Chief – Pete Polarek demonstrated new first aid kits for animals donated by Terry Delcore with masks three different sizes that fit dogs and cats. He also noted that the Fire Department purchased 26 air packs and 45 masks for firefighters.

Treasurer/Asst. City Manager – Brian Gregory reported the City has collected \$63,889 in Real Estate Transfer Tax for the second quarter.

Police Chief – Don Thomas reminded Council that the new officers replace officers who have retired.

Public Works Director – Fred Busse said that Phase I of the Treatment Plant expansion should be completed later this fall and Phase II will require meeting with environmental groups that will have input on the final approval of the facility plan with the EPA. He said they have begun communication with the local group KREP and hope to get Phase II designed this winter. He said the Water Division has been busy replacing fire hydrants and valves in preparation for work on Fair and S. Main Streets plus, there have been several water main breaks because of the extreme heat. He said the Street Division has 2 of the 4 alley resurfacing completed along with a storm crossing across Maple Street and one at Walnut.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Finance – no report

Public Safety – no report

Public Works – no report

PUBLIC HEARING - None

ORDINANCES - None

RESOLUTIONS - None

CONSIDERATIONS

- A. Consideration of an Administration Recommendation for a Closed Session to Discuss Land Acquisition.

Motion

Aldersperson Taylor moved to go into Closed Session at 7:20 p.m. and Aldersperson Tripp seconded the motion.

Voice vote

Mayor Mundy called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All Alderspersons voted aye. Motion carried 7 - 0.

Motion

Aldersperson Paulsen moved to return to Open Session at 8:12 p.m. and Aldersperson Taylor seconded the motion.

Voice vote

Mayor Mundy called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All Alderspersons voted aye. Motion carried 7 - 0.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

APPOINTMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Motion

Aldersperson Stowe moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 p.m. 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 7 - 0.

Approve:

Mayor – Ken Mundy

Attest:

City Clerk – Candy Smith