SYCAMORE CITY COUNCIL - REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES OF APRIL 17, 2000

CALL TO ORDER
Mayor James Edwards called the meeting to order and Clerk Nancy Marchiando called the roll. Those Alderpersons present were: James Huntley, Cheryl Maness, Alan Bauer, Keven Dahl, Patrick Balentyne and Michael Chambon. Those Alderperson absent were: Pam Blickem and Candy Smith.

INVOCATION - Tom Harman of the United Methodist Church gave the invocation.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA
Mayor Edwards reminded the Council of the Closed Session scheduled for the end of the meeting.
Motion
Alderperson Balentyne moved to approve the agenda as distributed and Alderperson Dahl seconded the motion.
Voice Vote
Mayor Edwards called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All Alderpersons present voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

AUDIENCE TO VISITORS

Brenda Hopkins, president of the Kishwaukee Convention and Visitors Bureau, read the mission statement of the organization and said she would answer questions from the Council concerning a report that had been presented to them during the budget meetings.

A representative of UNICORE spoke to the Council on the proposed railport to be located one mile east of Cortland. She asked the Council to look at the resolution and sign if they wished to support it.

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval of the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of April 3, 2000.

Motion
Alderperson Maness moved to approve the minutes of April 3, 2000 and Alderperson Balentyne seconded the motion.

Voice Vote
Mayor Edwards called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All Alderpersons present voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Payment of the bills for April 17, 2000.

Motion
Alderperson Bauer moved to approve the bills of April 17, 2000 in the amount of $102,586.34 and Alderperson Huntley seconded the motion.
Voice Vote
Mayor Edwards called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All Alderpersons present voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, AND BILLS

NEW BUSINESS
Alderperson Huntley stated he would be unable to attend the Pumpkinfest meeting on April 19, 2000 at the Amerihost Inn and asked if someone could take his place. It was decided that since Officer Cary Singer would be attending he would be able to report back on the meeting.

OLD BUSINESS
None.

REPORT OF OFFICERS

Administrator Bill Nicklas reported that Illinois First Fund money had been received in the amount of $425,000. These monies will be used for construction of a new street department facility and salt storage bin. He stated he had included the money in the budget and expressed appreciation to Senator Brad Burzynski for his assistance.

Treasurer - Ken Mundy - informed the Council he would be making the end of year transfers and stated that investments with the Illinois First Funds had received a Triple AM rating. He further stated that he was preparing an historical comparison for the prior three fiscal years.

Fire Chief - Gene Ege - informed the Council the Fire Department had received 53 incident calls, 33 of which were EMS related and 28 fire related. In addition, he reported on recent fires within the City.

Police Chief Roy Garcia - reported on the arson fire that occurred in the 300 block of East High Street. He commented on the Police Department's year end report and reminded everyone of the annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 22, 2000 at Sycamore Park.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Finance - Alan Bauer - stated all ordinances were on the agenda.

Ordinance - James Huntley - reported all ordinances were on the agenda.

Streets & Walks - Cheryl Maness - no report.

Sewer & Water - Patrick Balentyne - no report.

Police & Fire - Keven Dahl - no report.

PUBLIC HEARING
None.

ORDINANCES AND AGREEMENTS

A. Ordinance No. 99.74 - An Ordinance concerning adoption of the combined annual budget and appropriation ordinance for fiscal year 2000-20001 in the City of Sycamore, Illinois. First and second reading.

Administrator Nicklas reviewed the time schedule of the budget preparation and the public hearing and noted changes that had been made to the document. He talked about capital improvement fund expenditures.

Motion
Alderperson Balentyne moved to have a first and second reading on Ordinance No. 99.74 and Alderperson Maness seconded the motion.
Voice Vote
Mayor Edwards called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All Alderpersons present voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.
Motion
Alderperson Balentyne moved to approve Ordinance No. 99.74 and Alderperson Bauer seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote
Mayor Edwards asked for a roll call vote. Those Alderpersons voting aye were: Huntley, Maness, Bauer, Dahl, Balentyne and Chambon. Six Alderpersons voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Ordinance No. 99.75 - An ordinance amending Chapter 10, personnel, of the City Code of the City of Sycamore, Illinois to authorize non-elective positions for the City of Sycamore, Illinois. First and second reading.

C. Ordinance No. 99.76 - An ordinance establishing offices and fixing compensation of certain appointed officers of the City of Sycamore, Illinois, County of DeKalb, State of Illinois, for the fiscal year commencing on the first day of May, 2000 and ending on the thirtieth day of April, 2001. First and second reading.

Motion
Alderperson Maness moved to have a first and second reading on Ordinance No. 99.75 and No. 99.76. Alderperson Huntley seconded the motion.
Voice Vote
Mayor Edwards called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All Alderpersons present voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.
Motion
Alderperson Maness moved to approve Ordinance No. 99.75 and No. 99.76. Alderperson Huntley seconded the motion.
Voice Vote
Mayor Edwards called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All Alderpersons present voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

D. Ordinance No. 99.77 - An ordinance concerning the recommendation of the Plan Commission with regard to the request of Bob Clark for approval of a final plat of subdivision for the Get - It Subdivision. First and second reading.

Motion
Alderperson Bauer moved to have a first and second reading on Ordinance No. 99.77 and Alderperson Maness seconded the motion.
Voice Vote
Mayor Edwards called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All Alderpersons present voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion
Alderperson Balentyne moved to approve Ordinance No. 99.77 and Alderperson Maness seconded the motion.
Voice Vote
Mayor Edwards called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All Alderperson present voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

E. Ordinance No. 99.78 - An ordinance of annexation for property near Bethany Road and Somonauk Road in DeKalb County, Illinois. First and second reading.

F. Ordinance No. 99.79 - An ordinance concerning the recommendation of the Plan Commission with regard to the request of the City of Sycamore for the approval of a zoning classification of "R-1" One Family Residence District and a Special Use Permit for the purpose of constructing a public storm water storage facility at the southwest corner of Somonauk Street and Bethany Road. First and second reading.

Administrator Nicklas stated the property would be used for a regional retention pond and that the Plan Commission recommended approval.
Motion
Alderperson Huntley moved to have a first and second reading on Ordinances No. 99.78 & No. 99.79. Alderperson Dahl seconded the motion.
Voice Vote
Mayor Edwards called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All Alderpersons present voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.
Motion
Alderperson Huntley moved to approve Ordinance No. 99.78 and No. 99.79 and Alderperson Maness seconded the motion.
Voice Vote
Mayor Edwards called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All Alderpersons present voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

G. Ordinance No. 99.80 - An ordinance approving the collective bargaining agreement between the City of Sycamore and the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, Local 3957, effective May 1, 2000 to April 30, 2005. First and second reading.

Administrator Nicklas stated the contract involves one-third of the City's full-time labor force and he reviewed items of the new contract.

Motion
Alderperson Balentyne moved to have a first and second reading on Ordinance No. 99.80 and Alderperson Bauer seconded the motion.
Voice Vote
Mayor Edwards called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All Alderpersons present voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.
Motion
Alderperson Balentyne moved to approve Ordinance No. 99.80 and Alderperson Bauer seconded the motion.
Voice Vote
Mayor Edwards called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All Alderpersons present voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTIONS
None.

CONSIDERATIONS
None.

APPOINTMENTS
None.

CLOSED SESSION
Motion
Alderperson Balentyne moved to go into closed session at 8:20 p.m. and Alderperson Maness seconded the motion.
Voice Vote
Mayor Edwards called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All Alderpersons present voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION
Motion
Alderperson Balentyne moved to return to open session at 8:46 p.m. and Alderperson Maness seconded the motion.
Voice Vote
Mayor Edwards called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All Alderpersons present voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT
Motion
Alderperson Balentyne moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:47 p.m. and Alderperson Maness seconded the motion.

Voice Vote
Mayor Edwards called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All Alderpersons present voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.
Approve:

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Mayor - James S. Edwards

Attest:

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City Clerk - Nancy S. Marchiando