

**CITY OF CHILLICOTHE
COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
January 8, 2018**

The City Council of the City of Chillicothe, Peoria County, Illinois, met in Regular Session January 8, 2018 at 7:00 P.M. Mayor Donald Z. White called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

The Pledge of Allegiance, to the Flag of the United States of America, was recited.

Chairman White directed Clerk Hurd to take roll.

Present: Mayor Donald Z. White
City Clerk Margaret Hurd
City Treasurer B.L. Bredeman

Aldermen: Dean Braun, Danny Colwell,
Patricia Connor, Dennis Gould,
Michael Hughes, Jeffrey Jenkins
Gary Sharp, James Thornton

Also Present: Attorney Lane Alster
Office Manager Denise Passage
Superintendent of Public Works, Shawn Sutherland
Acting Fire Chief Jim Benisch
City Engineer Ken Coulter
Police Chief Scott Mettillie
Economic Development Director Rachael Parker

Absent: None

Chairman White declared a Quorum present.

The Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on December 11, were presented.

Motion Alderman Colwell, second Alderman Braun that the Council dispense with the reading of the Minutes of the December 11, 2017 Regular Council Meeting and approve the Minutes as presented.

Motion carried via voce vote.

Clerk Hurd reported that she was in receipt of the following Rezoning applications:

3 Diamond Development for the properties located at 112 W Pine Street and 917 N First Street.

3 Diamond Development for the properties located at 911 N First Street and 105 W Walnut Street.

Maco Development Company, LLC for the 7 acre land off Stillwater Drive south of Evergreen Assisted Living. Clerk Hurd told the Council that the applications will be forwarded to the Plan Commission for a Public Hearing on February 6, 2018.

Clerk Hurd presented the following minutes:

Economic Development Committee: December 6, 2017 and January 3, 2018

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Public Safety Committee: January 2, 2018
Public Works Committee: January 3, 2018
Plan Commission: October 3, 2017

Motion Alderman Colwell, second Alderman Hughes that the communications as presented by Clerk Hurd be placed on file. **Motion carried via voce vote.**

Alderman Gould reported that he received a call concerning an intersection on Cloverdale Road. He stated that he gave the information to Chief Mettille.

Alderman Connor reported that she is working on a committee of citizens for input of the development of the Sycamore Trail Park.

Chairman White reported that all the elected officials and city employees have received a copy of the sexual harassment policy and asked that everyone sign the attached form stating that they received it and return it to the office manager to place on file.

Chairman White reported that State Treasurer will be in town 10am Wednesday morning at the Triple Dipple Bakery and welcomed all council members to be there.

Chairman White reported that he received communications from the city's attorney concerning the FLM case. He told the council the letter informed him that due to the rotation of the Circuit Court Judges there will be a new Judge assigned to the case.

Motion Alderman Colwell, second Alderman Gould that the communications from the Mayor and Aldermen be placed on file.

Motion carried via voce vote.

Committee Communications were as follows:

Public Safety – No Report

Public Works – No Report

Cemetery and Parks – No Report

Finance – No Report

Economic Development – Alderman Colwell reported that the PUATTS grant is due January 19, 2018. He reported that as of January 3, 2018 the City is in ownership of the Bacon Building and that bids for the roof are due back January 16, 2018.

Marketing Tourism Committee – No Report

Human Resources – No Report

Chairman White asked if there was anyone with business concerning city government.

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John Sprinkle of 1141 Pine Court appeared before the council. Mr. Sprinkle voiced support for the appointment of Jim Benisch as Fire Chief.

Motion Alderman Thornton, second Alderman Gould that the bills as presented be paid and the payrolls and transfers be approved.

Roll Call Vote was:

Ayes: Braun, Colwell, Connor, Gould,
Hughes, Jenkins, Sharp, Thornton

Nays: None

Chairman declared motion carried.

Motion Alderman Colwell, second Alderman Hughes that the Council concur with the Mayoral appointment of Jim Benisch as Fire Chief for the City of Chillicothe Fire Department effective immediately.

Roll Call Vote was:

Ayes: Braun, Colwell, Connor, Gould,
Hughes, Jenkins, Sharp, Thornton

Nays: None

Chairman declared motion carried.

Motion Alderman Colwell, second Alderman Hughes that the Council approve the waiving of the bid process for the Bacon Building roof project.

Motion carried via Voce Vote.

Motion Alderman Colwell, second Alderman Jenkins that the council approve **Ordinance No. 18-01-01** an Ordinance approving a Redevelopment Agreement between the City of Chillicothe and 400 S. Plaza Drive LLC.

Roll Call Vote was:

Ayes: Braun, Colwell, Connor, Gould,
Hughes, Jenkins, Sharp, Thornton

Nays: None

Chairman declared Ordinance No. 18-01-01 passed and signed the same.

Motion Alderman Colwell, second Alderman Connor that the council approve an expenditure in the amount of \$1,666.67 payable to Peoria Area Convention and Visitors Bureau for a half page ad in the 2018 Enjoy Peoria Experience Guide and authorize the Mayor to sign such agreement listing the advertisement terms and conditions. Payable from the General Fund.

Ayes: Braun, Colwell, Connor, Gould,
Hughes, Jenkins, Sharp, Thornton

Nays: None

Chairman declared motion carried.

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Motion Alderman Gould, second Alderman Sharp that the council approve an expenditure of \$4,783.80, payable to Martin Equipment for the purchase of two sensors and a filter for the backhoe. Payable from the Road & Bridge Fund, Water/Sewer Fund and General Fund.

Roll Call Vote was:

Ayes: **Braun, Colwell, Connor, Gould,
Hughes, Jenkins, Sharp, Thornton**

Nays: **None**

Chairman declared motion passed

Motion Alderman Hughes, second Alderman Sharp that the council approve an expenditure of \$21,779.00, payable to Riverside Chevrolet for the purchase of a 2016 Impala. Payable from the Police Protection Fund.

Roll Call Vote was:

Ayes: **Braun, Colwell, Connor, Gould,
Hughes, Jenkins, Sharp, Thornton**

Nays: **None**

Chairman declared motion passed.

Motion Alderman Hughes, second Alderman Braun that the Council approve an expenditure of \$11,739.00 for the purchase of equipment and installation of equipment for the new police vehicle.

Payable to as follows:

<u>Equipment</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Fund</u>
Watchguard Camera	Watchguard	\$ 5,002.00	Police Protection
Stalker Radar	Stalker Allied Concept.	\$ 1,237.00	Police Protection
Installation	Blankenship Visual	\$ 5,500.00	General Fund

Roll Call Vote was:

Ayes: **Braun, Colwell, Connor, Gould,
Hughes, Jenkins, Sharp, Thornton**

Nays: **None**

Chairman declared motion carried.

Motion Alderman Colwell, second Alderman Sharp that the Council adjourn to closed session at 7:18p.m. for personnel Section 2 C 1, upon returning from closed session action may be taken.

Roll Call Vote was:

Ayes: **Braun, Colwell, Connor, Gould,
Hughes, Jenkins, Sharp, Thornton**

Nays: **None**

Chairman declared motion carried.

Council returned to Open Session at 7:32pm.

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Motion Alderman Colwell, second Alderman Hughes that the council approve the wage increases for the following Supervisors, retroactive to January 1, 2018.

Police Chief:	3.28% with a one-time bonus of \$1,000.00
Superintendent of Public Works:	4.00%
Economic Development Director:	2.42%
Office Manager:	.05% with a one-time bonus of \$3,000.00

Roll Call Vote was:

Ayes: **Braun, Colwell, Connor, Gould,
Hughes, Jenkins, Sharp, Thornton**

Nays: **None**

Chairman declared motion carried.

Chairman White announced that there being no further business the Council meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Margaret E. Hurd

City Clerk