

**CITY OF CHILLICOTHE
COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
March 23, 2015**

The City Council of the City of Chillicothe, Peoria County, Illinois, met in Regular Session March 23, 2015. Mayor Douglas P. Crew 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.

Mayor Crew directed Clerk Hurd to call Roll.

Present: Mayor Douglas P. Crew
City Treasurer B.L. Bredeman
City Clerk Margaret Hurd

Aldermen: Ronald Beaumont, Danny Colwell,
Patricia Connor, Dennis Gould,
Michael Hughes, Gary Sharp
James Thornton, Melvin Witte

Absent: Fire Chief John Myers

Also Present: Superintendent of Public Works Josh Cooper
Office Manager Denise Passage
Economic Development Director Parker
Police Chief Scott Mettille
City Engineer Ken Coulter
City Attorney Michael Seghetti

Mayor Crew declared a Quorum present.

The Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on March 9, 2015 were presented.

Motion Alderman Colwell, second Alderman Witte that the Council dispense with the reading of the Minutes of the March 9, 2015 Regular Council Meeting and approve the Minutes as presented. **Motion carried via voce vote.**

Clerk Hurd presented the following communications from the Clerks office:

1. Application for rezoning of property at 113 W. Pine St
2. Application for zoning variance for property at 113 W. Pine St.
3. Thank you from Drew's Plots
4. Thank you from Michael Seghetti
5. City Engineer Report dated March 23, 2015

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

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There were no communications from the Mayor or Alderman.

Heard was Jeremy Koll of 1526 N. Cutright. Mr. Koll stated that he wanted to make the Council aware of his complaint in regards to 1522 N. Cutright holding a multiple pet license. He stated he will be attending the next Public Safety meeting to address his concerns.

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

Roll Call vote was:

Ayes: **Beaumont, Colwell, Connor, Gould,
Hughes, Sharp, Thornton, Witte**

Nays: **None**

Chairman declared motion carried.

Motion Alderman Gould, second Alderman Hughes that the Council approve Ordinance no. 15-03-05 an ordinance amending the Riversound Annexation Agreement.

Roll Call vote was:

Ayes: **Beaumont, Colwell, Connor, Gould,
Hughes, Sharp, Thornton, Witte**

Nays: **None**

Chairman declared motion carried.

Motion Alderman Gould, second Alderman Colwell that the Council recommend the Illinois Department of Transportation award the contract for the Walnut Street storm sewer project (sec. 05-00036-00-FP) to the low bidder and authorize the Mayor to send a letter to the Illinois Department of Transportation advising them of said recommendation.

Roll Call vote was:

Ayes: **Beaumont, Colwell, Connor, Gould,
Hughes, Sharp, Thornton, Witte**

Nays: **None**

Chairman declared motion carried.

Motion Alderman Gould, second Alderman Witte that the Council approve the promotion for Jake Calvin to skilled labor and approve the salary increase from \$18.38 hr. to \$21.36 hr., effective March 24, 2015. Discussion was held.

Roll Call vote was:

Ayes: **Beaumont, Colwell, Connor, Gould,
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Nays: **None**

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Chairman declared motion carried.

Motion Alderman Hughes, second Alderman Sharp that the Council approve Ordinance No. 15-03-06 and ordinance amending the security section of the L-H Living History Farms and Museums zoning district.

Roll Call vote was:

Ayes: **Beaumont, Colwell, Connor, Gould,
Hughes, Sharp, Thornton, Witte**

Nays: **None**

Chairman declared motion carried.

Motion Alderman Thornton, second Alderman Colwell that the Council instruct the City Attorney to draft the necessary documents for a Redevelopment Agreement for J&W Unlimited that would allow a 50% reimbursement of construction cost (not to exceed \$11,000) and a TIF Revolving Loan in the amount of \$40,000.00 at the rate of 1.0% for a term of 10years securing the note with a 1st mortgage on property located at 1021 N. Second Street and personal guarantees from all owners.

Roll Call vote was:

Ayes: **Beaumont, Colwell, Connor, Gould,
Hughes, Sharp, Thornton, Witte**

Nays: **None**

Chairman declared motion carried.

Alderman Thornton pulled agenda item- Plan Preparation for Viewing Area at Eagle Landing.

Motion Alderman Thornton, second Alderman Sharp that the Council approve the Downtown Thursday Night Market Events sponsored by the City of Chillicothe on the following dates:

May 28th – Honoring our Veterans

June 25th – Super Hero Month

July 23rd – Annual Corn Boil

All funds spent on marketing this event and other related expenses are not to exceed \$1,500.00.

Payable from the Hotel Motel Tax Fund.

Roll Call vote was:

Ayes: **Beaumont, Colwell, Connor, Gould,
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Nays: **None**

Chairman declared motion carried.

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Motion Alderman Thornton second Alderman Colwell that the Council approve an expenditure not to exceed \$3,300.00 payable to Adams Outdoor for the Purchase and Installation of 4 billboard posters, marketing the City and allow Mayor Crew to sign said contract for service. Payable from M&T.

Roll Call vote was:

Ayes: **Beaumont, Colwell, Connor, Gould,
Hughes, Sharp, Thornton, Witte**

Nays: **None**

Chairman declared motion carried.

Motion Alderman Thornton second Alderman Sharp that the Council approve expenditure in the amount of \$500.00 for the event Tri 2 Beat MS Kids Triathlon to be held at Shore Acres Park June 13, 2015. Payable from Hotel Motel Tax

Roll Call vote was:

Ayes: **Beaumont, Colwell, Connor, Gould,
Hughes, Sharp, Thornton, Witte**

Nays: **None**

Chairman declared motion carried.

Motion Alderman Thornton second Alderman Sharp that the Council approve expenditure in the amount of \$500.00 for the Relay for Life of Chillicothe to be held on June 6, 2015. Payable from Hotel Motel Tax.

Roll Call vote was:

Ayes: **Beaumont, Colwell, Connor, Gould,
Hughes, Sharp, Thornton, Witte**

Nays: **None**

Chairman declared motion carried.

Motion Alderman Colwell second Alderman Hughes that the Council adjourn to closed session at 7:23pm, upon returning from closed session no action will be taken.

Council returned to Open Session at 8:04 P.M.

Chairman Crew announced that, there being no further business, the Council meeting adjourn at 8:04pm P.M.

Margaret E. Hurd
City Clerk