

**CITY OF CHILLICOTHE
COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
August 24, 2015**

The City Council of the City of Chillicothe, Peoria County, Illinois, met in Regular Session August 24, 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.

Chairman Crew directed Clerk Hurd to call Roll.

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

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

Also Present: Superintendent of Public Works Josh Cooper
Office Manager Denise Passage
City Attorney Michael Seghetti
City Engineer Ken Coulter
Fire Chief John Myers
Police Chief Scott Mettille

Absent: Economic Development Director Rachel Parker, City Engineer Ken Coulter

Chairman Crew declared a Quorum present.

The Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on August 10, 2015 were presented.

Motion Alderman Colwell, second Alderman Cantwell that the Council dispense with the reading of the Minutes of the August 10, 2015 Regular Council Meeting and approve the Minutes as presented.

Motion carried via voce vote.

Clerk Hurd presented Communications as follows:

1. City Treasurer's Report dated July 31, 2015
2. City Budget Report dated August 13, 2015
3. Revolving Fund Semiannual Report dated August 20, 2015 as submitted by ED Director Rachel Parker
4. City Engineer Report dated August 24, 2015

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

Chairman Crew reported that he followed up on a request from Judith Gajdik from the last council meeting questioning the deadline agreement with the developer of the property at 940 N Second Street. Chairman Crew stated that the deadline was not until December of 2015.

Chairman Crew had nothing further to report.

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Alderman Sharp asked Chairman Crew if he would read the letter from Pete Christensen, Mayor of the Village of Hopewell, which was presented at the August 10th council meeting. Alderman Sharp also asked Chairman Crew to read his letter of response. Chairman Crew read both the letter from Mayor Christenson and his response. He then placed them on file with the Clerk.

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

Chairman Crew announced that any visitors wanting to speak on Agenda Item: Expansion of Golf Cart Ordinance would have a chance to speak at that time.

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: **Beaumont, Cantwell, Colwell, Connor, Gould,
Hughes, Sharp, Thornton**

Nays: **None**

Chairman declared motion carried.

Motion Alderman Colwell, second Alderman Cantwell that the Council concur with the Mayoral Proclamation congratulating the Chillicothe Park District on the 100th Anniversary of Shore Acres Clubhouse.

Motion carried via Voce Vote.

Chairman Crew then presented the Proclamation to Kevin Yates, Chillicothe Park District.

Motion Alderman Colwell, second Alderman Cantwell that the Council approve the hiring of Allie Taylor at an hourly wage of \$8.25 an hour for part time/co-op office position. Discussion ensued. **Roll Call vote was:**

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

Nays: **None**

Chairman declared motion carried

Motion Alderman Gould, second Alderman Hughes that the Council approve an expenditure of \$3,200.00 payable to Lauber Tree Service, for the removal of two trees at 1245 Fifth Street. Payable from the Road & Bridge Fund. The Contractor on this project must pay the "prevailing rate of wages" as determined by the City pursuant to the Illinois Prevailing Wage Act (820 ILCS 130/1 et seq.) and comply with all other provisions of such Act.

Roll Call Vote was:

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

Chairman declared motion carried

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Motion Alderman Gould, second Alderman Beaumont that the Council approve the agreement between the City of Chillicothe and I.D.O.T. for the installation of traffic signal controller cabinets and BBS units at various intersections, and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute said agreement. **Roll Call Vote was:**

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

Nays: **None**

Chairman declared motion carried

Motion Alderman Gould, second Alderman Colwell that the Council adopt Resolution No. 15-08-07, a resolution adopting the funding for the I.D.O.T agreement for the installation of traffic signal controller cabinets and BBS units at various intersections, and authorize the Mayor and clerk to execute said agreement. **Roll Call Vote was:**

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

Nays: **None**

Chairman declared motion carried

Motion Alderman Gould, second Alderman Hughes that the City approve an expenditure not to exceed \$23,000.00, Payable to Grosch Well Drilling & Pump Service, and that the City shall waive the process of advertising for bids as set forth in Section 8 -9-1 of the Illinois Municipal Code, for the repair of Santa Fe Pump House. Payable from the Water/Sewer Fund. The Contractor on this project must pay the "prevailing rate of wages" as determined by the City pursuant to the Illinois Prevailing Wage Act (820 ILCS 130/1 et seq.) and comply with all other provisions of such Act.

Roll Call Vote was:

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

Nays: **None**

Chairman declared motion carried

Motion Alderman Hughes, second Alderman Cantwell that the Council approve an expenditure of \$1,575.00 plus \$16.80/ month service for the purchase of Xerox WorkCentre 6605 Color multifunction copy machine, for the police department, payable to R.K. Dixon. Payable from the General Fund. **Roll Call Vote was:**

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

Nays: **None**

Chairman declared motion carried

Motion Alderman Hughes, second Alderman Beaumont that the Council direct the Public Safety Committee to recommend to the City Council an expansion of the provisions of Article IV of Chapter 78 of the City Code, golf carts, to allow additional vehicles other than golf carts on city streets.

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Discussion ensued. Alderman Hughes stated that in the past UTV's had been stickered under the former Police Chief. Alderman Thornton stated that he felt the Ordinance should not be expanded. Alderman Cantwell stated that the Council has asked department supervisors for their recommendation and that the Council should honor their opinion. Alderman Sharp stated that he felt we should honor our supervisor's opinion but the Council should also be sympathetic to the public opinion. Alderman Sharp then presented Petitions in favor of the change to the Clerk. Chairman Crew then asked if there were any visitors wanting to speak on the motion. Citizen Raymond Pence spoke to the Council stating that he feels that Golf Carts are used as UTV's and that the Ordinance should be changed to allow Golf Carts and UTV's. Citizen Craig Hawksworth spoke against changing the Ordinance. Citizen William Dwyer spoke against changing the Ordinance. Citizen Kevin Yates spoke on behalf of the Chillicothe Park District. He stated that they have a problem with Golf Carts on park properties and is against the Ordinance change. Garrett Hurd spoke stating that the Police Chief should have the support of the Council. Police Chief Mettillie spoke against the change in the Ordinance.

Roll Call Vote was:

Ayes: **Beaumont, Connor, Gould, Hughes, Sharp**

Nays: **Cantwell, Colwell, Thornton**

Chairman declared motion carried

Police Chief Mettillie gave a report on the Officers Zones – Ordinance Enforcement.

Motion Alderman Thornton, second Alderman Connor that the Council approve the agreement between the City of Chillicothe and Payment Service Network, for the purpose of online payments of water bills and authorize the Mayor to execute said agreement. **Roll Call Vote was:**

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

Nays: **None**

Chairman declared motion carried

Motion Alderman Thornton, second Alderman Colwell that the City release its mortgage on 1008 N Second Street securing a TIF loan to Schilling Real Properties, LLC and take a mortgage on 940 N Second Street to secure said loan with the borrower to reimburse the city up to \$800 in cost related to such loan. **Roll Call Vote was:**

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

Chairman declared motion carried

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Motion Alderman Thornton, second Alderman Sharp that the Council approve an advance expenditure of \$691.92 for Rachael Parker to attend the Fall TIF Conference September 16th-17th, 2015 at the Union League in Chicago, IL. Payable from the TIF Plaza Fund. **Roll Call Vote was:**

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

Nays: **None**

Chairman declared motion carried

Chairman Crew announced that there being no further business the Council meeting adjourned at 8:08pm.

Margaret E. Hurd
City Clerk