

**CITY OF CHILLICOTHE
COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
September 11, 2017**

- d. Economic Development – September 6, 2017
- e. Public Works – September 6, 2017
- 2. City Engineer Report dated September 11, 2017
- 3. Clerk Hurd reported that she was in receipt of the Motor Fuel Tax Audit from 2013-2016.
- 4. City Treasurers Report dated August 31, 2017
- 5. Budget Comparison Report for month end August 2017

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

Alderman Connor reported that September 16th will be the Friends of Illinois River Clean-Up and that the area for clean-up will be the Cutright Park area.

Alderman Hughes reported that the City Attorney is checking into the requirements to possibly allow liquor on the city streets during an event.

Chairman White reported that he received communications from the city’s attorney for the FLM case in regards to the amended decision of the Peoria County Zoning Board of Appeals.

Chairman White reported that he received a letter of resignation from Fire Chief Michael Denzer effective immediately. Chairman White asked for an Emergency Motion to appoint Deputy Chief Jim Benisch as Acting Fire Chief for the City of Chillicothe contingent upon Deputy Chief Jim Benisch accepting the position.

Motion Alderman Colwell, second Alderman Connor to concur with the Mayoral appointment of Deputy Chief Jim Benisch as Acting Fire Chief for the City of Chillicothe, second Alderman Connor.

Roll Call Vote was:

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

Nays: **None**

Chairman declared motion carried.

Chairman White gave Fire Chief Michael Denzer letter of resignation to the City Clerk to be placed on file.

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

Motion carried via voce vote.

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Committee Communications were as follows:

Public Safety – No Report

Public Works – No Report

Cemetery and Parks – No Report

Finance – No Report

Economic Development – No Report

Marketing Tourism Committee – No Report

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

Heard was Citizen Dana Bannister of 1016 N Second Street, Chillicothe. Mr. Bannister told the Council that he was issued a ticket last Thursday for non-compliance of a Second Hand Dealer License for not having a Surety Bond. He stated that no one can tell him what a Surety Bond is. He stated that he received a list of businesses that currently hold a license and those seven businesses are on the list. He stated that there are a lot of more businesses in town that fall under the requirement. Mr. Bannister stated that he does not have an issue having the license but does have an issue of how it is implemented. He stated that approximately 10:30am Friday morning he was sitting in a local business downtown and Alderman Hughes showed up to talk to the business owner. He told the Council that Alderman Hughes did not speak in his presence but that he was there to inform her that she needs to get her paperwork in because he (Alderman Hughes) was going to “throw him under the bus”. Mr. Bannister informed the Council that Alderman Hughes had made curtesy calls to two other businesses but not to him. Mr. Bannister expressed to the Council that he felt Alderman Hughes behavior was very unprofessional. Mr. Bannister requested that the ticket be dismissed and that the city ordinance be suspended until it can be re-written in a language that is much clearer.

Chairman White told Mr. Bannister that he has look at the ordinance and feels that it is outdated and unclear. He told Mr. Bannister that he has a staff meeting tomorrow and will discuss with Chief Mettille the notion of dismissing his ticket.

Heard was Citizen Patty Pierson of 435 W Gail. Ms. Pierson told the Council that blacktopping had been done around the city and would like to thank the city workers for quickly filling in the areas along the side of the roads once the blacktopping was complete.

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:

**Colwell, Connor, Gould,
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Nays:

None

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Chairman White asked Chief Mettillle to come forward for Officer Recognition. Chief Mettillle told the council that it was his honor to read the letter of recognition to the City's Officers from the Alliance Against Intoxicated Motorists. Chief Mettillle then read the letter that recognized five City Officers. Those Officers were: Sergeant Nick Bridges, Sergeant Doug Hahn, Officer Pat Donovan, Officer Tim Podobinski and Officer Patrick Murphy. Chairman White then presented each Officer with a certificate of appreciation.

Motion Alderman Hughes, second Alderman Jenkins that the Council approve **Ordinance No. 17-09-25**, an Ordinance adding section 6-69 Public Body/Not For Profit Special Event – Alcoholic Liquor, to the City code.

Roll Call Vote was:

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

Nays: **None**

Chairman declared Ordinance No. 17-09-25 passed and signed the same.

Motion Alderman Hughes, second Alderman Colwell that the Council approve the Not For Profit Special Event Application For liquor, as submitted by Mark Kosinki, for an event to be held on Friday December 15, 2017 at the Chillicothe Town Theater. Mr. Kosinki gave an explanation of the event and asked that the council consider waiving the fee. Chairman White told Mr. Kosinki that the fee waiver will be discussed at the Public Safety Committee.

Motion carried via voce vote.

Motion Alderman Hughes, second Alderman Sharp that the Council approve the Notice for Special Event held on Public Property, as submitted by Abby Waller, IVC high school, for the use of the City Park and the use and closing of Second Street from Cedar Street to Elm Street, on Friday, September 29, 2017, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. for the IVC Homecoming Parade.

Motion carried via voce vote.

Motion Alderman Hughes, second Alderman Sharp that the Council approve the Notice for Special Event held on Public Property, as submitted by Amanda Oedewaldt, Claud Elen Days, for the use of the city park, city parking lot, second street, Chestnut Street and the Fire House, on June 6 – 9th 2018, for the annual Claud Elen Day Celebration. **Motion carried via voce vote.**

Motion Alderman Hughes, second Alderman Gould that the Council approve **Ordinance No. 17-09-26**, an Ordinance Amending Section 6-55 Liquor License Classifications of the City Code.
(Class A, Class C, Class D)

Chairman declared Ordinance No. 17-09-26 passed and signed the same

Motion Alderman Hughes, second Alderman Connor that the Council grant a Special Use permit within the flood plain, to Denise Reed, 618 First Street to build a garage, subject to meeting the requirement for building within the flood plain.

Motion carried via voce vote.

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Motion Alderman Gould, second Alderman Colwell that the Council approve the following application for the Sidewalk Program:

Joe Jackson 605 Santa Fe	\$1,000.00
Payable from the Road & Bridge Fund	
Prior Balance	\$10,921.60
Approved	<u>\$ 1,000.00</u>
Balance	\$ 9,921.61

Roll Call Vote was:

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

Nays: **None**

Chairman declared motion carried.

Motion Alderman Colwell, second Alderman Jenkins that the request for proposal of salvage rights at 721 Third (corner of Elm and Third) be awarded to Whiskey City Architectural Salvage, in the amount of \$3,700.00.

Roll Call Vote was:

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

Nays: **None**

Chairman declared motion carried.

Motion Alderman Colwell, second Alderman Hughes that the Council direct the City Attorney to draft a redevelopment agreement with 3 Diamond Development for a housing development project that will include the following City owned vacant lots:

105 W. Walnut Street and 911 N. First Street

Motion carried via voce vote.

Motion Alderman Colwell, second Alderman Colwell that the Council approve the 2017-2018 Marketing & Tourism Annual Plan as submitted.

Motion carried via voce vote.

Motion Alderman Colwell, second Alderman Jenkins that the Council approve the revisions made to the HELP Loan requirements and application now known as the HELP Revolving Loan Program.

Motion carried via voce vote.

Motion Alderman Colwell, second Alderman Gould that the Council approve and direct the city attorney to prepare the necessary documents for a HELP Revolving Loan to Michele Wagstaff-Pollack D/B/A Bowl & Arrow, in the amount of \$80,000.00 at the rate of 3% for a term of 5 years, secured by a second position on mortgage on the real estate commonly known as 615 W, Truitt Ave., Chillicothe.

Roll Call Vote was:

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

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Chairman declared motion carried.

Motion Alderman Colwell, second Alderman Connor to adjourn to Closed Session at 7:35p.m., to discuss the appoint or removal of public officers as outlined in Section 2 C 3 of the open meeting act and upon returning from closed session possible action will be taken.

Roll Call Vote was:

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

Nays: **None**

Chairman declared motion carried.

Council returned to Open Session at 7:44p.m.

Motion Alderman Colwell, second Alderman Hughes that the council determine that a vacancy has occurred in the office of Fourth Ward Alderman by reason of Judy Cantwell's abandonment of office.

Roll Call Vote was:

Ayes: **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 7:45 p.m.

Margaret E. Hurd

City Clerk