

**CITY OF CHILLICOTHE
COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
October 22, 2018**

The City Council of the City of Chillicothe, Peoria County, Illinois, met in Regular Session October 22, 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: City Engineer Ken Coulter
Office Manager Denise Passage
Assistant Fire Chief Greg Hurd
Superintendent of Public Works, Shawn Sutherland
Fire Chief Jim Benisch
Economic Development Director Rachael Parker
Police Chief Scott Mettille

Absent: City Attorney Michael Seghetti

Chairman White declared a Quorum present.

The Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on October 8, 2018, were presented. Motion Alderman Colwell, second Alderman Braun that the Council dispense with the reading of the Minutes of the October 8, 2018 Regular Council Meeting and approve the Minutes as presented.

Motion carried via voce vote.

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Clerk Hurd presented the following committee minutes:

Finance Committee – October 15, 2018

Public Works Committee – October 17, 2018

Zoning Board of Appeals – October 15, 2018

Clerk Hurd read a letter of thanks from city employee, Daniel Johnson for the expression of sympathy given by the city for the passing of his wife.

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

Chairman White announced that Madie Fennell has resigned from the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Chairman White reminded the Council that FLM has a deadline of October 25, 2018 to file a Notice of Appeal with the appellate court in Ottawa.

Chairman White informed the Council that he has begun the supervisor's review process.

Chairman White informed the Council that he and the City Engineer attended a meeting with PUATTS and was informed that a subcommittee will review the applications submitted for the city's bike trail grant and a decision will be made December 5, 2018.

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

Alderman Connor, Chairman of Cemetery and Parks informed the Council that Seth Braun will be building three benches as part of his Eagle Scout project to be placed at Johnson's Landing. Alderman Connor asked the Council if there were any objections to the project before he proceeds. There were no objections.

Alderman Gould, Chairman of Public Works advised the Council that the sharrow markings have been completed on Bradley Ave.

Chairman White gave an update on Economic Development Committee. He informed the Council that a Train Excursion between Chillicothe and Henry will take place on May 18, 2019 to benefit the Fire Department.

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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 authorize the Mayor to sign any necessary documents for a \$50,000.00, grant sponsored by Ryan Spain for a Video billboard sign, with the understanding that the City will pay any additional costs above the grant amount. Any additional amount will be brought back to council. Discussion was held.

Chairman White explained that the grant was through the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity.

Roll Call Vote was:

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

Nays: None

Chairman declared motion carried.

Motion Alderman Thornton, second Alderman Colwell that the Council approve **Ordinance No. 18-10-28**, an Ordinance for Tax levy and Assessment of Taxes for the city's Fiscal year beginning May 1, 2018 and ending April 30, 2019 in the amount of \$764,213.17. A lengthy discussion was held.

Roll Call Vote was:

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

Chairman declared motion failed.

Motion Alderman Thornton, second Alderman Colwell that the Council approve **Ordinance No. 18-10-28**, an Ordinance Granting a Franchise Agreement with Ameren.

Roll Call Vote was:

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

Nays: None

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Chairman declared Ordinance No. 18-10-28 passed and signed the same.

Motion Alderman Thornton, second Alderman Colwell that the Council authorize the Mayor to accept a bid to supply electricity For the city street lights, based on the recommendation of the city's energy Consultant, and execute a corresponding supply agreement with the bidder selected which is substantially similar to the supply agreement currently in place, at the upcoming bid day for municipal electric aggregation.

Roll Call Vote was:

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

Nays: None

Chairman declared motion carried.

Motion Alderman Thornton, second Alderman Gould that the Council adopt **Resolution No. 18-10-07**, a resolution approving execution of an amendment to intergovernmental agreement with eh Chillicothe Sanitary District. Discussion was held. Alderman Colwell informed the Council that the agreement will run through September 2023.

Roll Call Vote was:

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

Nays: None

Chairman declared Resolution No. 18-10-07 passed and signed the same.

Motion Alderman Thornton, second Alderman Colwell that the Council approve an expenditure of \$142,821.19, payable to Illinois Municipal League Risk Management Association for 2018 Renewal Contributions for insurance.

Payable as follows:

Tort Liability \$138,000.00

General Fund \$ 4,821.19

Discussion was held. Chairman White informed the Council that there was no increase over last year.

Roll Call Vote was:

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

Chairman declared motion carried.

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Motion Alderman Hughes, second Alderman Gould that the Council approve an expense of \$1,000.00 payable to the Fred Meister Chillicothe Community Fire Fighters Association, for a pass through donation from Ruth McLaughlin. Payable from the Fire Protection Fund.

Roll Call Vote was:

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

Nays: None

Chairman declared motion carried.

Motion Alderman Hughes, second Alderman Sharp move that the Council approve an expenditure of \$750.00 payable to Vickers Consulting Services, Inc., for the research and submission of a grant for the Fire Department. Payable from the general fund.

Roll Call Vote was:

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

Nays: None

Chairman declared motion carried

Motion Alderman Hughes, second Alderman Colwell Council authorize Fire Chief Benisch to apply for a AFG Federal Grant, for the Chillicothe Fire Department, in the amount of \$25,077.00 with a grant match of 5%.

Roll Call Vote was:

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

Nays: None

Chairman declared motion carried

Alderman Colwell, second Alderman Sharp that the Council adopt the Social Media Policy as presented.

Roll Call Vote was:

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

Nays: Hughes

Chairman declared motion carried.

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

Pearce Community Center 610 Cedar Street in the amount of \$1,000.00. Payable from the Road & Bridge Fund.

Roll Call Vote was:

Ayes: Braun, Colwell, Connor, Gould
Hughes, Jenkins, Sharp, Thornton
Nays: None

Chairman declared motion carried.

Motion Alderman Gould, second Alderman Sharp that the Council approve an expenditure of \$1,130.61 payable to Sunbelt, Inc. for the rental of a grinder. Payable from the Road & Bridge fund.

Roll Call Vote was:

Ayes: Braun, Colwell, Connor, Gould
Hughes, Jenkins, Sharp, Thornton
Nays: None

Chairman declared motion carried.

Motion Alderman Gould, second Alderman Colwell that the Council authorize the City Attorney to draft an ordinance amending the city code to allow only temporary markings be placed on the city streets in conjunction with special events. Discussion was held. Alderman Connor spoke against the need for an ordinance.

Motion carried via voce vote.

Motion Alderman Connor, second Alderman Gould that the Council approve an expenditure of \$1,500.00, payable to Mike Staub Nursery, for the purchase of two red oak trees and two swamp oak trees for the Chillicothe Cemetery. Payable from the General Fund.

Roll Call Vote was:

Ayes: Braun, Colwell, Connor, Gould
Hughes, Jenkins, Sharp, Thornton
Nays: None

Chairman declared motion carried.

Alderman Connor, Chairman of Cemetery & Parks Committee updated the Council on the progress of the development of the Sycamore Trail Park. She reported that she is working to

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obtain various sources of funding and will make recommendation during the 2019-2020 budget session.

Chairman White announced that there being no further business the Council meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Margaret E. Hurd
City Clerk