

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

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

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,
Dennis Gould, Michael Hughes,
Gary Sharp, James Thornton

Also Present: Office Manager Denise Passage
Attorney Michael Seghetti
City Engineer Ken Coulter
Fire Chief Michael Denzer
Economic Director Rachel Parker

Absent: Alderman Connor
Police Chief Scott Mettille

Chairman Crew declared a Quorum present.

The Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on November 9, 2015 were presented. Motion Alderman Colwell, second Alderman Cantwell that the Council dispense with the reading of the Minutes of the November 9, 2015 Regular Council Meeting and approve the Minutes as presented.

Motion carried via voce vote.

Alderman Connor entered the Council Chamber at 7:04pm.

Clerk Hurd presented Communications as follows:

1. City Engineer Report dated November 23, 2015
2. City Treasurers Report received on November 11, 2015, dated October 31, 2015
3. 2015 Annual Financial Report and Audit from McElhiney LLC

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

Chairman Crew reported that he had been notified from the Peoria County Zoning Board of Appeals that there will be a hearing on December 10, 2015 of an appeal filed by FLM Enterprises, LLC to excavate on property located on the West edge of town. He stated that he will discuss with the Attorney if representation is needed at the hearing.

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Alderman Beaumont reported that he had a complaint about garbage behind the Bacon building located on Second Street. Chairman Crew stated that he would forward the information to the Public Safety Committee.

Alderman Hughes stated that he had a complaint about an inoperable motor home parked behind a business on Second Street. Chairman Crew stated he would give the information to the Police Chief and would talk with the owner.

Motion Alderman Gould, second Alderman Colwell, that the communications, as presented by the Mayor and Alderman to be placed on file. **Motion carried via voice vote.**

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 Gould, second Alderman Beaumont that the Council authorize the City Engineer to apply for additional funding for the Safe Route to Schools Grant, to put sidewalk on the west side of Benedict Street between Sycamore Street and Hickory Street. Approximate additional Cost to the City is \$7,000.00. **Roll Call Vote was:**

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

Nays: None

Chairman declared motion carried

Motion Alderman Gould, second Alderman Cantwell that the Council approve an expenditure of \$3,157.50 payable to Engrecht Concrete for the installation of sidewalk in Sycamore Trial Subdivision. Payable from the Road and Bridge Fund. **Roll Call Vote was:**

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

Nays: None

Chairman declared motion carried

Motion Alderman Gould, second Alderman Beaumont that the Council approve an expenditure of \$1,825.00 payable to Lauber Tree Service for the removal of ta tree in the 1600 block of Benedict Street. 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 Gould, second Alderman Colwell that the Council approve an expenditure of \$17,976.42 payable to Microsurfing Contractors for the 2015 crack sealing program. Payable from the Motor Fuel Tax Account.

Roll Call Vote was:

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

Nays: **None**

Chairman declared motion carried

Motion Alderman Gould, second Alderman Cantwell that the Council approve an expenditure of \$71,728.38 payable to Illinois Department of Transportation for the Walnut Street Project. Payable from the Road and Bridge Fund.

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 authorize the Mayor to enter into an agreement between the City of Chillicothe and Stan Sayre, to be the City's water operator at a cost of \$500.00 per month.

Roll Call Vote was:

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

Nays: **None**

Chairman declared motion carried

Motion Alderman Hughes, second Alderman Gould that the Council waives the grave opening/closing fee for Juanita Stone.

Roll Call Vote was:

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

Nays: **None**

Chairman declared motion carried

Motion Alderman Thornton, second Alderman Cantwell that the Council approve Christmas bonus for the City employees as follows:

Full-Time	\$225.00
Part-Time	\$175.00
Moffitt Drop Off	\$50.00
Office Co-Op	\$50.00

Payable from the General Fund, the Water/Sewer Fund and the Road and Bridge Fund.

Roll Call Vote was:

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

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Nays: None
Chairman declared motion carried

Chairman Crew announced that there being no further business the Council meeting adjourned at 7:23pm.

Margaret E. Hurd
City Clerk