

**CITY OF CHILLICOTHE
COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
November 9, 2015**

The City Council of the City of Chillicothe, Peoria County, Illinois, met in Regular Session November 9, 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: Office Manager Denise Passage
Attorney Michael Seghetti
Police Chief Scott Mettille

Absent: None

Chairman Crew declared a Quorum present.

The Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on October 26, 2015 were presented.

Motion Alderman Colwell, second Alderman Cantwell that the Council dispense with the reading of the Minutes of the October 26, 2015 Regular Council Meeting and approve the Minutes as presented.

Motion carried via voice vote.

Clerk Hurd presented Communications as follows:

1. City Engineer Report dated November 9, 2015

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

Alderman Connor acknowledged the passing of former Alderman Juanita Stone and expressed her sympathy to the family.

There were no communications from Mayor Crew.

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

There were no communications from Council Committees.

Mr. Garrett Hurd appeared before the Council. He questioned why the evening's agenda did not have a name listed next to Agenda item, Appointment – Fire Chief. Mr. Hurd stated that without a name listed the people of Chillicothe might not know if they would want to come to the meeting to say something. He stated that the current Council was usually very

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good about getting input from the community. Mr. Hurd also advised the Council that he turned in a notice that there was a yield sign missing at the intersection of Sycamore and Bradley. Chairman Crew responded that he concurred with the City Attorney whether a name had to be listed. Chairman Crew stated that he left the name off to allow sufficient time to complete the interview process and advise those that participated of his decision.

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 appointment of Mike Denzer as Fire Chief effective November 18, 2015. Discussion ensued.

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

Nays: **Sharp**

Chairman declared motion carried

Motion Alderman Gould, second Alderman Connor that the Council approve an expenditure of \$2,350.00 payable to Durdel and Sons for the removal of a tree in conjunction with the Walnut Street project which is an Illinois Department of Transportation Project. Subject to receiving notice of Liability, Insurance and license. Payable from the Road and Bridge Fund.

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 \$1,497.60 payable to German Bliss Equipment for the repair of the Kubota. Payable from the General Fund. **Roll Call Vote was:**

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

Nays: **None**

Chairman declared motion carried

Alderman Gould withdrew Agenda Item Water Operator.

Motion Alderman Hughes, second Alderman Cantwell that the Council approve Ordinance No. 15-11-23, an Ordinance amending Article IV (Golf Carts) prohibiting low speed vehicles. Discussion ensued with citizen Raymond Pence addressing the Council.

Roll Call Vote was:

Ayes: **Cantwell, Colwell, Connor,
Hughes, Thornton**

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Nays: **Beaumont, Gould, Sharp**
Chairman declared motion carried

Motion Alderman Hughes, second Alderman Sharp that the Council approve Ordinance No. 15-11-24, an Ordinance amending Appendix A (Traffic Schedule) stop sign on Sixth Street and McDowell.

Roll Call Vote was:

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

Nays: **None**
Chairman declared motion carried

Motion Alderman Thornton, second Alderman Sharp that the Council approve the expenditure of \$131,357.16 payable to Illinois Municipal League Risk Management for the 2016 renewal contributions for insurance. Payable from the Tort Liability Account.

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 Council determine that the amount of \$604,324.00 is necessary to be raised by taxation for 2016.

Roll Call Vote was:

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

Nays: **None**
Chairman declared motion carried

Motion Alderman Thornton, second Alderman Gould that the Council approve expenditure for the sponsorship of the Christmas Parade and Shop Small Business activities in the amount of \$1,500.00 to be paid to the Chillicothe Chamber of Commerce. Payable from the Marketing and Tourism.

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 Colwell, second Alderman Gould that the Council convene into executive session under Section (2) (C) 1 – Personnel at 7:31pm.

Roll Call Vote was:

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

Nays: **None**

Chairman declared motion carried

Chairman Crew announced that there would be no public business conducted following the executive session and asked that the Council Chamber be cleared.

Council returned to open session at 7:49pm

Chairman Crew announced that there being no further business the Council meeting adjourned at 7:50pm.

Margaret E. Hurd
City Clerk