

**CITY OF CHILLCOTHE
COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
April 27, 2020**

The City Council of the city of Chillicothe, Peoria County, Illinois, met in Regular Session April 27, 2020 at 7:00 P.M.

Electronic Attendance:

In accordance to Governor JB Pritzker's Executive Order 2020-07 issued on March 16, 2020, prohibiting the gathering of 50 people or more; and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommending gatherings of no more than 10 people in a single room or single space and social distancing of at least 6 feet between persons; members of the Council were allowed to attend by teleconference. Those members attending the meeting via phone shall be declared present.

To comply with these recommendations and requirements, the City is complying with the spirit of the Open Meetings Act by permitting this meeting open to the public by teleconference using Zoom Meeting to help prevent the spread of COVID-19 and to comply with the recommendations and requirements of Executive Order 2020-07.

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.

Physically Present:

**Mayor Donald Z. White
City Clerk Margaret Hurd
Alderman Dennis Gould
Alderman Gary Sharp**

Attending by Phone:

**City Treasurer, Bredeman
Alderman Danny Colwell, Alderman Dean Braun,
Alderman Barry Bredeman, Alderman Patricia Connor,
Alderman Michael Hughes, Alderman Jeff Jenkins
City Attorney Michael Seghetti
City Engineer Ken Coulter**

Also, Physically Present:

**Office Manager Denise Passage
Economic Development Director Amanda Beadles
Police Chief Scott Mettill**

Absent:

Superintendent of Public Works, Shawn Sutherland

Chairman White declared a Quorum present.

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The Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on April 13, 2020 were presented.

Motion Alderman Colwell, second Alderman Gould that the Council dispense with the reading of the Minutes of the April 13, 2020 Regular Council Meeting and approve the Minutes as presented.

Motion carried via voce vote.

Clerk Hurd presented a letter of resignation from Police Officer Carl Brown effective April 29, 2020.

Clerk Hurd presented the City Engineer Report dated April 24, 2020.

Clerk Hurd presented the minutes from the combined Public Works and Public Safety Committees meeting dated April 22, 2020.

Chairman White asked for a motion to approve the communications as presented by Clerk Hurd be accepted and placed on file. Alderman Sharp made said motion, seconded by Alderman Gould.

Motion carried via voce vote.

Chairman White informed the Council that City Hall will remain closed to the public through the month of May. He announced that all regular scheduled meetings will resume and can be attended through conference call or ZOOM.

Chairman White asked for a motion to accept and approve the communications from the Mayor as presented and place them on file. Alderman Gould made said motion, seconded by Alderman Sharp.

Motion carried via voce vote.

Chairman White asked for a motion to approve the bills, transfers and payrolls as presented. Alderman Colwell made said motion, seconded by Alderman Gould.

Roll Call Vote was:

Ayes: **Braun, Bredeman, Colwell, Connor
Gould, Hughes, Jenkins, Sharp**

Nays: **None**

Chairman declared motioned carried.

Chairman White asked for a motion to approve **Ordinance No. 20-04-11**, an Ordinance extending the State of Emergency and Local Disaster Powers of the Mayor. Alderman Braun made said motion, seconded by Alderman Gould.

Chairman White asked Attorney Seghetti to give an overview of the Ordinance. Discussion was held.

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He explained that the Ordinance renews the previous Ordinance that was voted on at the April 13, 2020 meeting extending the Mayors powers until the next council meeting. Discussion was held. Alderman Connor asked if the Ordinance was drafted by the Illinois Municipal League. Attorney Seghetti explained he drafted the original ordinance in March and was extended April 13. Alderman Hughes questioned how this got on the agenda without going through a committee meeting first and if it was legal to do that. Attorney Seghetti explained that it was customary to take this through committee first but it was legal to act on at this meeting since it was listed on the council agenda.

Roll Call Vote was:

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

Nays: None

Chairman declared Ordinance No. 20-04-11 passed and signed the same.

Motion Alderman Sharp, second Alderman Gould that the Council accept the resignation of Detective Carl Brown from the Chillicothe Police Department effective April 29, 2020 and thank him for his service.

Roll Call Vote was:

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

Nays: None

Chairman declared motioned carried.

Motion Alderman Gould, second Alderman Sharp that the Council approve the agreement between the City of Chillicothe and PDC Laboratories, for drinking water monitoring required by the IDPA for the period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 in the amount of \$11,277.50 and authorize the Mayor to execute said agreement. City Engineer explained that the testing is mandated by the EPA.

Roll Call Vote was:

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

Nays: None

Chairman declared motion carried.

Motion Alderman Gould, second Alderman Sharp that the Council accept and award the contract to Advanced Asphalt in the amount of \$151,200 for the 2020 overlay project. Payable from the Motor Fuel Tax Fund.

Roll Call Vote was:

Ayes: Braun, Bredeman, Colwell, Connor
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Nays: **None**
Chairman declared motioned carried.

Motion Alderman Gould, second Alderman Sharp that the Council approve the priority one Road & Bridge project street improvements, in the amount of \$70,000.00 be brought forward as a project. Discussion was held. City Engineer explained the improvements to be done.

Roll Call Vote was:

Ayes: **Braun, Bredeman, Colwell, Connor
Gould, Hughes, Jenkins, Sharp**

Nays: **None**
Chairman declared motioned carried.

Motion Alderman Gould, second Alderman Sharp that the Council accept the quote and award the contract to Engbrecht Concrete in the amount of \$20,102.00 for the ADA Sidewalk Improvements. Payable from the Road & Bridge Fund.

Roll Call Vote was:

Ayes: **Braun, Bredeman, Colwell, Connor
Gould, Hughes, Jenkins, Sharp**

Nays: **None**
Chairman declared motioned carried.

Motion Alderman Gould, second Alderman Sharp that the Council award the project and approve an expenditure not to exceed \$15,000.00 payable to Midstate Asphalt Repair for the 2020 spray patching program. Payable from the Motor Fuel Tax Fund.

Roll Call Vote was:

Ayes: **Braun, Bredeman, Colwell, Connor
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Nays: **None**
Chairman declared motioned carried.

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Motion Alderman Sharp, second Alderman Gould that the Council approve a Notice for Special Event held on Public Property as submitted by Tom Harms, VFW for the use of Santa Fe Avenue from Wilmot to Matthews for a cruise in and auction to be held on June 27, 2020 from 8:00am to 6:00pm subject to the Governor's Executive Orders.

Roll Call Vote was:

Ayes: **Braun, Bredeman, Colwell, Connor
Gould, Hughes, Jenkins, Sharp**

Nays: **None**

Chairman declared motioned carried.

Motion Alderman Sharp, second Alderman Gould that the council grant an extension of time for the use of sound amplification equipment (Summer Camp 2020) in the form presented.

Mayor White explained that there was a sample ordinance sent out to the Aldermen in their agenda packet, he explained that had been revised and he hoped everyone had received a copy of the revision. At the Public Safety Meeting it was discussed that the noise ordinance was the only way to stop summer camp. Since the public safety meeting, he has spoken with Chief Mettelle, Attorney Seghetti and Alderman Sharp about that. He outlined the risk to the city if 20,000 people come to Chillicothe. He informed the council that with the revised noise extension it gives a solid direction that if every state in the union is business as usual and allowing over 1,000 people by July 27, 2020 the extension will be granted.

A lengthy discussion was held with each Aldermen's input.

Alderman Braun was concerned with allowing the extension because of school being in session.

Alderman Hughes stated he felt the that the city should not be deciding. It should be the health department and medical field making the decision.

Mayor White informed him that the Governor will be informed by the health departments.

Chairman White allowed Ian Goldberg with Summer Camp to address the council via ZOOM.

Mr. Goldberg informed the Council that they share the Councils concerns. He will be working with health officials to make sure it is safe to move forward with Summer Camp. He was concerned with the hard details stipulating the nation as a whole be open and asked for some flexibility with that. He explained that the best option for them is to continue to plan and decide later even though there is a high likelihood that they will have to cancel.

Chairman White asked Mr. Goldberg if there would be a problem with no noise extension on Thursday and Sunday night due to school being in session. Mr. Goldberg asked that those nights be allowed.

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Alderman Jenkins expressed that due to the amount of revenue Summer Camp brings into the city he is in favor of the extension.

Alderman Connor stated she did not get the revised document and would like more clarification. Attorney Seghetti explained in detail.

Alderman Sharp objected to allowing an extension.

Roll Call Vote was:

Ayes: Braun, Bredeman, Colwell, Connor
Gould, Hughes, Jenkins

Nays: Sharp

Chairman declared motioned carried.

Motion Alderman Sharp, second Alderman Gould that the Council approve **Ordinance No. 20-04-12** an Ordinance amending Chapter 62 (Offenses and Miscellaneous Provision) of the City Code. (Violation of Governor Executive Orders)

Roll Call Vote was:

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

Nays: None

Chairman declared Ordinance No. 20-04-12 passed and signed the same.

Motion Alderman Colwell, second Alderman Gould that the priority one TIF Plaza Park project – street improvement, in the amount of \$50,000.00 be brought forward as a project.

Roll Call Vote was:

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

Nays: None

Chairman declared motion carried.

Motion Alderman Colwell, second Alderman Gould that the Council waive the bid process for the street surfacing improvement in TIF Plaza and approve a change order in the amount of \$85,000.00 to Advance Asphalt for the street surfacing project. Payable from the TIF Plaza Account.

Roll Call Vote was:

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

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Nays: **None**

Chairman declared motion carried.

Motion Alderman Colwell, second Alderman Gould that the priority one TIF Plaza Park project – Cross Walk/ADA Sidewalk in the amount of \$8,000.00 be brought forward as a project.

Roll Call Vote was:

Ayes: **Braun, Bredeman, Colwell, Connor
Gould, Hughes, Jenkins, Sharp**

Nays: **None**

Chairman declared motion carried.

Motion Alderman Colwell, second Alderman Gould that the Council waive the bid process for the Cross Walk/ADA Sidewalk improvement in TIF Plaza and approve a change order in the amount of \$16,500.00 to Engbrecht Concrete for the Cross Walk/ADA Sidewalk project.

Payable from the TIF Plaza Account.

Roll Call Vote was:

Ayes: **Braun, Bredeman, Colwell, Connor
Gould, Hughes, Jenkins, Sharp**

Nays: **None**

Chairman declared motion carried.

Council adjourned at 8:00 pm.


Margaret E. Hurd, City Clerk

