## CITY OF WASHINGTON, ILLINOIS CITY COUNCIL MEETING - MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2017 FIVE POINTS WASHINGTON – SENIOR ROOM 360 N. WILMOR ROAD – 6:30 P.M.

Mayor Manier called the regular meeting of Monday, February 20, 2017 to order at 6:30 p.m. in Call to Order the Library Meeting Room at Five Points Washington.

Present and answering roll call were Aldermen, Brownfield, T. Gee, Moss, Butler, Dingledine, and J. Gee. Aldermen Brucks and Moehle were absent.

Roll Call

Also present was City Administrator Jim Culotta, Controller Joanie Baxter, Director of Public Works Ed Andrews, P & D Director Jon Oliphant, Police Chief Ted Miller, City Treasurer Ellen Dingledine, Assistant City Attorney Derek Schryer, Deputy City Clerk Mary Westerfield, and members of the press.

All present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Agenda was reviewed and stood as presented.

Agenda Review

Alderman Moss moved and Alderman Brownfield seconded to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. Items included on the Consent Agenda were minutes of the February 6, 2017 regular Council meeting; bills & payroll; contribution authorization: IHSA March Madness Experience; and purchase ratification: equipment installation, recently purchased patrol cars (2). On roll call on the motion to approve the vote was:

Approve Consent Agenda

Ayes: 6 T. Gee, Butler, Dingledine, J. Gee, Brownfield, Moss

Nays: 0

Motion declared carried.

Mr. Glenn Rauh introduced Ann Dickerson and Tina Glidewell and reported that the fiber optic installation is now complete for the City of Washington. He noted that they have expanded to other areas including Pinetree Drive and Shellbark Court who will be getting the service as well as the properties on Foster Road that are in the City limits and residents on East Cruger east of Main Street on down Diebel Road to the railroad tracks have asked for service and we will be building that as well this spring. Mayor Manier shared his appreciation for a job well done. Tina Glidewell went over the residential and business flyer showing services offered that was handed out. Ann Dickerson shared that they would be able to broadcast the City Council meetings on their local channel and are working with ESCA Cable Channel 22 who records the meeting now and should have it available on their channel soon. It was indicated that it would be the City's goal to have it on a public access channel and not a local channel and Ann shared that she would get together with us soon to talk about how this could be implemented.

MTCO Presentation

Dr. Amir Al-Kjafaji, a professor from Bradley University and Chair of the ICAT conference, shared that they are celebrating their 30<sup>th</sup> year this year. He shared that he is here to honor Mayor Gary Manier. He shared that Mr. Ed Rapp, former group President and CFO at CAT discovered he had ALS in 2015 and in his honor a new leadership and action award was created. He shared that they have been working on this for a year to recognize the right person and from a pool of 13 nominees they are happy to announce that Mayor Manier is the award winner this year. We are very proud of what he has done for the City and it goes far beyond what he did during the tornado and you should be very proud. Mayor Manier expressed his honor and appreciation in being selected as recipient of this award. Professor Bob Fuessle from Bradley University shared that the ICAT conference is a tremendous conference where International speakers come to Peoria to speak on national and emerging issues within our profession and it has a huge impact on Bradley. He shared it forms partnerships where our students within the department receive tremendous jobs and salaries upon graduation. He shared that he is from Washington and has always appreciated the strength of the community. Mayor Manier expressed his thanks for the award and his gratitude in receiving it.

Bradley University ICAT Award Presentation

Fire Department Executive Director of Operations, Mr. Roger Traver, shared that several dates in February, March, and April they will be hosting in conjunction with Eureka Fire Department an arson investigation class. He shared they have 32 students and 5 instructors coming in from all over the state and staying here in Washington and supporting our local businesses. He shared April 23<sup>rd</sup> we will be hosting a fundraiser for St. Jude and encouraged everyone to stop to show their support.

WVFD Report

Lilja Stevens shared that she is requesting a change for future elections that will allow her to vote and not lose her Democratic election judge status. She shared that as a judge she is not allowed to vote in a Republican primary without losing her status and would like for the Council to consider changing the election process from a partisan election to either non-partisan or independent. Mayor Manier indicated the he would contact Tazewell County Clerk Christie Webb for information.

**Audience Comments** 

Alderman Moss, Finance & Personnel Committee Chairman reported nothing on the agenda (Item XIV, Regular Session, A). Alderman Butler, Public Safety Committee Chairman reported nothing on the agenda. Alderman J. Gee, Public Works Committee Chairman reported four items on the agenda (Ordinance B and Staff Reports A, B, & C).

**Standing Committees** 

Mayor Manier requested Council approval of the following appointment to the PMEG (Peoria Area Multi-Enforcement Group – drug enforcement) and ETSB (Emergency Telephone Systems Board): Police Chief Ted Miller. Alderman Dingledine moved and Alderman T. Gee seconded to concur with the appointment as presented.

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On roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 6 Brownfield, Moss, Butler, J. Gee, T. Gee, Dingledine

Nays: 0

Motion declared carried.

1<sup>st</sup> reading ords, authorizing agreement, PACVB City Administrator Culotta provided first reading of the following ordinance, by title and brief synopsis: an ordinance authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk of the City of Washington, Tazewell County, Illinois to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Washington and Peoria Area Convention and Visitors Bureau. Adoption of this ordinance would approve an agreement with the Peoria Area Convention and Visitors Bureau regarding tourism development, promotion, and recruitment services for a one-year period ending December 31, 2017. Among other things the agreement provides for the payment of a share of the city's Hotel-Motel Tax Revenues to the Peoria area Convention and Visitors Bureau. This ordinance will be listed on the Monday, March 6<sup>th</sup> meeting agenda for action.

Waive second read ord, naming alley west of N. Main St. "Herbst Lane" City Administrator Culotta provided first reading of the following ordinance, by title and brief synopsis: an ordinance adding a name to an alley located west of N. Main Street located in the City of Washington, IL. Adoption of this ordinance would name the alley located between Zinser Place and Peoria Street just west of N. Main Street as "Herbst Lane." Alderman J. Gee moved and Alderman Moss seconded to waive second reading and proceed with adoption of the ordinance as read. On roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 6 Dingledine, Butler, T. Gee, Brownfield, Moss, J. Gee

Nays: 0

Motion declared carried.

Adopt ord, naming alley west of N. Main St. "Herbst Lane"

Alderman J. Gee moved and Alderman Brownfield seconded to adopt the ordinance adding a name to an alley located west of N. Main Street located in the City of Washington, IL. There was no further discussion and on roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 6 Moss, Butler, Dingledine, J. Gee, Brownfield, T. Gee

Nays: 0

Motion declared carried.

2017 MFT program and resolution

Public Works Director Andrews requested Council approval of a MFT resolution allocating \$826,877.11 in MFT funds for the 2017 Street Maintenance Program. Alderman J. Gee moved and Alderman Dingledine seconded to approve the MFT resolution appropriating \$826,877.11 in MFT funds for the 2017 MFT Street Maintenance Program. On roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 6 Brownfield, T. Gee, Moss, Butler, Dingledine, J. Gee

Nays: 0

Motion declared carried.

Authrz contract for lift station PLCs, Britton Electronics Public Works Director Andrews requested Council authorization to engage Britton Electronics for a not to exceed contract amount of \$63,100 for the full SCADA computer for the City's six (6) lift station PLCs. Alderman Dingledine moved and Alderman T. Gee seconded to authorize the request as presented. Alderman Dingledine asked about the difference in the budgeted amount of \$42,500 and where the overage would come from and Andrews shared that it would come from within Sewer where there is some collection system work that would bridge the difference. On roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 6 J. Gee, Butler, Moss, Brownfield, T. Gee, Dingledine

Nays: 0

Motion declared carried.

Authrz Centennial ITEP engineering services contract, Maurer-Stutz Engineering Public Works Director Andrews requested Council authorization to enter into an engineering services contract with Maurer-Stutz Engineering for engineering assistance for the design of the recreational trail along Centennial & McClugage roadways. He shared that their proposal has been prepared as a Cost Plus Fixed Fee agreement for the use of Federal ITEP Funding in a time and materials, not to exceed arrangement for an amount of \$48,852. Alderman Brownfield moved and Alderman Moss seconded to authorize the request as presented. On roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 6 T. Gee, Butler, Dingledine, J. Gee, Moss, Brownfield

Nays: 0

Motion declared carried.

Budget Review, Group 2

City Administrator Culotta provided the following: 1) Water Fund: operations increase of 6% due to increase in R/M-System contractual for valve replacement at both plants and increase in softener salt, capital purchases funded by reserves include major deferred maintenance items, other capital purchases totaling \$179,500 not included in the CIP since under \$50,000, reserves of \$1.3M will be spend down by \$1.1M leaving a balance in excess of the minimum standard, and projected FY 17-18 revenue less expenses is a negative \$80K resulting in a projected FYE balance of \$628K; 2) Water Subdivision Development Fee: Nofsinger/Dallas/Cruger water main extension and Constitution & N. Main upgrades budgeted, and projected balance FYE is \$265K; 3) Water Connection Fee: no anticipated expenses, and projected balance FYE is \$735K; 4) Water Tank Reserve: capital increase due to potential Tower #3 engineering (developer driven), and projected balance FYE is \$241K; 5) Tourism/Economic Development: overall budget increase of 4% and operations increase of 6% due to \$5,000 increase in contractual services (creation of local tourism grant) and \$2,500 increase in tourism expenses (increased contribution for Tournament of Champions); 6) Planning & Zoning: overall budget increase of 10%, and operations increase of 15% due to \$12K increase in legal fees (code enforcement issues) and \$12K increase in consultation/contractual (comprehensive plan update); 7) TIF #2: overall budget increase of 5% and operations increase of 200% due to \$127K increase in Building Renovation Fund (potential development agreements; and 8) MERF: 100% funded as the City has already saved the necessary funds to purchase the vehicles proposed for FY 17-18 and to meet the needs of future acquisitions and the funding increase projected for FY 17-18 is

approximately 1% and the ending balance is projected to be \$1.5M. He identified the following vehicles as being proposed for replacement: Police Department, five vehicles (2-patrol cars, 1-investigations car, and 2-command vehicles); and Public Works Department, two vehicles for replacement (International 7400 and Sterling-Vactor truck) and one new piece of equipment (Skid Steer). He shared that Public Works Director Andrews is also recommending delaying the replacement of three existing pieces of equipment, which will reduce previously estimated outlays by approximately \$93K (sewer jetting machine, hydraulic hammer, hydra-stop machine).

Budget Review, Group 2 Cont.)

Alderman Butler expressed that 108,000 miles seemed low for a replacement mileage on the police vehicles and Police Chief Miller shared that industry standards have vehicles rolling out at 100,000 miles and after polling the IL State Police, Pekin PD, Tazewell County, and Morton PD they are all rolling them out at 100,000 as vehicles begin to show their wear and tear. He shared that the City has done tremendous with their dollars but sees no additional life in the five vehicles being proposed for replacement. Master Sergeant Jeff Stevens shared he could not speak to the industry standards but the vehicles are in need of replacement. Alderman J. Gee asked Public Works Director Andrews about the early replacement of the Vactor truck and Andrews shared that the early replacement will allow us to cease a higher value on our current unit and allow us to upgrade to a tandem unit with additional capacity as this vehicle is extensively used amongst our sewer, streets, and water departments. Alderman J. Gee asked that details of the Vactor truck come before the Public Works Committee with they are ready. Alderman Dingledine expressed his concern with the deficit in the Water Fund and our inability to sustain this year after year. He indicated that with the 6% budget increase this coming year and only an annual 2.5% increase in water rates we lose 3.5%. City Administrator Culotta shared that the budget includes funding for a study to see if our rate structure is adequate and will help us to identify how to bring our structure in line with our need.

Alderman Dingledine expressed his congratulations to the WCHS Wrestling Team on another spectacular season where they had two state champions and several medalists and are hopeful for the team to have the same results as last year. Alderman Brownfield expressed his congratulations to the Washington District 52 Middle School 7th Grade Boys Basketball Team on their state championship win. He shared that our schools are one of the reasons people move here and they are teaching our kids how to be leaders in the community.

Aldermen's Comments

At 7:25 p.m. Alderman Dingledine moved and Alderman Brownfield seconded to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Adjournment

Patricia S. Brown, City Clerk