

Minutes: Nov. 16, 2015

A MEETING OF THE OGLESBY CITY COUNCIL WAS HELD ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2015, AT CITY HALL. THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M.

PRESENT: COMMISSIONERS CAREY, PORTER, RIVARA, YBORRA, MAYOR FINLEY, ATTORNEY ANDREONI, AND CITY CLERK CLINARD.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY PORTER, SECONDED BY RIVARA to approve the regular meeting minutes from the October 19, 2015, meeting. AYES: CAREY, PORTER, YBORRA, RIVARA, FINLEY. MOTION CARRIED.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY RIVARA, SECONDED BY PORTER to approve the bills presented for payment: Marissa Roberts, \$122.40; LaSalle County Trustee, \$646.50; USPA, \$720.16; Ameren IP, \$2,192.40; BHMG Engineers, \$420.00; Bobs Business, \$19.39; Brownstown Electric, \$2,262.84; Call One, \$2,618.28; Comcast, \$4.22; Communication Revolving Loan Fund, \$635.85; Communications Direct, \$80.00; Dresbach Distributing, \$273.60; Econo Signs, \$771.34; Cathie Edens, \$4.59; Electronic Supply, \$19.00; Emergency Medical Products, \$447.86; Evident, \$174.00; Fastenal Co., \$20.34; Feece Oil, \$1,749.46; Robert Ghighi, \$169.63; Gillan Services, \$725.00; Andrew Groleau, \$324.00; Hawkins, Inc., \$2,753.86; Health Alliance, \$2,,637.00; Holloway's, \$405.00; Hy-Vee, \$96.86; Il Dept. of Transportation, \$105.12; IL Public Risk Fund, \$5,910.00; IVCH, \$100.63; Kittilson's, \$450.85; Knoblauch Advertising, \$1,354.00; LaSalle Office Supply, \$81.45; Mautino Distributing, \$12.00; Menards, \$699.49; Municipal Code, \$650.00; Oglesby Municipal Band, \$4,930.00; PDC Laboratories, \$460.00; Positive Promotions, \$318.17; Quad City Electric, \$333.60; Stryker Sales, \$349.43; Tonica Nurseries, \$1,000.00; USA Bluebook, \$413.05; Richard Watts, \$48.14; Belinda Wegener, \$56.04; Wex Fleet Services, \$2,862.34, Emily Sanchez, \$216.83 **Total \$59,549.92.** AYES; CAREY, PORTER, RIVARA, YBORRA, FINLEY. MOTION CARRIED.

There was no public comment on agenda items.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY RIVARA, SECONDED BY PORTER to adopt the Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan. Mayor Finley explained that this is part of a multi-county plan which North Central Council of Governments administers. AYES: CAREY, PORTER, RIVARA, YBORRA, FINLEY. MOTION CARRIED.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY PORTER, SECONDED BY CAREY to grant permission to the local Boy Scout and Cub Scout troops to conduct a food drive Saturday, Nov. 14, from 9 a.m. to noon. AYES: CAREY, PORTER, RIVARA, YBORRA, FINLEY. MOTION CARRIED.

The discussion then turned to health insurance renewal options. Mayor Finley briefly went over the two proposals, noting that the proposal from Suarez and Associates was less costly and offered lower premiums. Commissioner Rivara disagreed, saying he thought the proposal by Dose Agency offered "better coverage for our people." When pressed for specifics, he did not elaborate. Commissioner Yborra then said that given a "lower monthly premium and a lower deductible," he made the MOTION WITH A SECOND BY CAREY to accept the proposal from Suarez and Associates. AYES; CAREY, PORTER, YBORRA, FINLEY. NAYS: RIVARA. MOTION CARRIED.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY RIVARA, SECONDED BY CAREY to accept the renewal proposal from IMIC for liability and workman's comp insurance. AYES: CAREY, PORTER, RIVARA, YBORRA, FINLEY. MOTION CARRIED.

It was agreed that because the cyber liability policy was not listed separately on the agenda, it would be placed on the November 16, 2015, agenda.

The Mayor then opened the floor to the public:

A representative from Dose Insurance, Mary Lee McLaughlin, then addressed the council. McLaughlin criticized the council for choosing to renew with Health Alliance, saying that her proposal offered "much better coverage" and that the list of providers on her proposal included Mayo Clinic. She also said she felt the council should support local businesses like the Dose Agency, not someone from out of town. Mayor Finley corrected her, noting that Joe Suarez is a long-time resident of the city and supports the community in a variety of ways.

Commissioners & Mayor Reports:

Commissioner Rivara questioned the spending of \$1,000 on ten trees, given the city's current financial condition. This sparked an exchange between him and Commissioner Carey, who said that the only reason Rivara was questioning the purchase was because he (Carey) was involved. Rivara continued, telling the council that they needed to look at the bills more closely because "we've got some cash-flow problems."

Commissioner Yborra asked residents to refrain from placing leaves for the leaf vac on the street, because they blocked the sewers. Leaves should be placed on the berm. Yborra also addressed Rivara's comments, saying that "no one was trying harder" than anyone else to limit spending.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY CAREY, SECONDED BY PORTER to adjourn at 7:22 p.m. AYES: CAREY, PORTER, RIVARA, YBORRA, FINLEY. MEETING ADJOURNED.

Becky Clinard, City Clerk