Minutes: October 24, 2017

A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE OGLESBY CITY COUNCIL WAS HELD ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2017, AT CITY HALL. THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 5:30 P.M.

PRESENT: COMMISSIONERS CAREY, PORTER, RIVARA, YBORRA, MAYOR FINLEY, ATTORNEY ANDREONI AND CLERK IN TRAINING MERTES.

The Mayor opened the floor to comments from the public on agenda items only. There were none.

City Attorney Andreoni presented 3 ordinances to the council for consideration. The first one presented was an ordinance establishing an administrative procedure for assessing and determining claims under PSEBA. The second was an ordinance for small cell antenna/tower right-of-way. Lastly, Attorney Andreoni presented an ordinance establishing standards for the construction of facilities on municipal rights-of-way.

Mayor Finley updated the council on the arbitration ruling. He stated that he and Tom Melody (attorney for the ongoing IBEW negotiations) are working on opening the window for retirement from June 8, 2016- June 7, 2017. Finley said he would like to know who is going to retire soon and that his goal is to have those retirements take effect in 90 days.

Attorney Andreoni told the council that union negotiations are still ongoing and that the next meeting with the union is November 13.

The Mayor asked for comments from the public. There were none

Commissioner and Mayor's Reports:

Commissioner Yborra stated that the superintendent of the water department will be retiring in February or March of 2018 leaving only one employee. Yborra said that Mike Naas is working on getting certified for the water side, but that he would like to hire a laborer to help out.

Commissioner Porter told the council that the ambulance department needs a new ambulance. He also told the council that the city's garbage contract will be expiring in April 2018. He is currently reviewing the city's options.

Mayor Finley presented the council with information from resident Christopher Martin asking for the City to vacate a portion of an unused alley near Martin's home on Porter Street. Finley said that Martin is willing to pay all the fees associated with the City vacating the property. After a brief discussion, Andreoni was told to prepare the paperwork necessary to vacate the alley to Martin.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY RIVARA, SECONDED BY CAREY to adjourn (5:55 p.m.) AYES: CAREY, PORTER, RIVARA, YBORRA, FINLEY. MEETING ADJOURNED.

Stacie Mertes Clerk in Training