A MEETING OF THE OGLESBY CITY COUNCIL WAS HELD ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2016, AT CITY HALL. THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M.

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

ABSENT: COMMISSIONER YBORRA

A MOTION WAS MADE BY PORTER, SECONDED BY CAREY to approve the meeting minutes from the August 15, 2016, meeting. AYES: CAREY, PORTER, RIVARA, FINLEY. MOTION CARRIED.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY RIVARA, SECONDED BY CAREY TO APPROVE THE INVOICES AS PRESENTED: AEA, $1,500.00; Aflac, $35.90; Baldin’s Garage, $1,546.34; Beal Law Office, $550.00; Brownlee Data Systems, $1,380.00; Bureau County Republican, $478.00; Cintas First Aid & Safety, $48.10; Comcast Cable, $69.90; Connecting Point, $907.00; Cosgrove Distributors, $314.80; Dixon Ottawa Communications, $183.40; Dollar General, $115.30; Dornik Auto Body, $130.00; Dresbach Distributing, $187.75; Cathie Edens, $16.70; Emergency Medical Products, $280.20; Fastenal, $113.28; Feece Oil, $1,001.45; Robert Ghighi, $85.99; Grainco Fs, $521.78; Graphic Electronics, $75.00; Grosenbach’s Auto Repair, $520.20; Halm’s Auto Parts, $424.68; Hawkins Inc, $1,206.50; Holloway’s Portable Restrooms, $520.00; Hopkins & Associates, $10,480.00; IL Municipal Electric Agency Revenue Fund, $310,082.69; ILEAS, $60.00; Illinois Valley Cellular, $775.36; Illinois Valley Food & Deli, $300.29; IVCH, $65.00; John Pohar & Sons, $238.00; John Senica Jr, $476.72; Kendrick Pest Control, $185.00; Robert Kuhar, $300.00; LaSalle Office Supply, $864.77; Brianna Lucas, $110.56; Marco Inc, $299.00; Maze Lumber, $74.79; Menards, $447.96; Mertel Gravel, $515.63; MTCO, $155.87; NCPERS Group Life Ins, $48.00; News Tribune, $622.60; Oglesby 911, $4,638.95; Oglesby Elks Lodge, $50.00; Oscar’s Automotive, $334.02; Pantagraph, $1,566.00; Perona Peterlin Anderoni & Brolley, $2,400.87; Pomp’s Tire & Service, $285.31; Republic Services, $19,068.50; Revere Electric, $810.42; Riverstone Group, $6,532.03; Rockford Register Star, $750.00; Shaw Media, $730.00; Smith’s Sales & Service, $596.00; Springfield Electric Supply, $61.94; Staples Credit, $549.66; Steven’s Service Center, $309.00; Sunrise Supply, $155.97, T.E.S.T., $96.00; USA Bluebook, $547.68; Utility Equipment Co, $1,129.00; WLPO/WAJK/WKOT Radio, $1,062.00; Fletcher-Reinhardt, $1,300.00; Republic Services, $975.00, Illini State Bank-Visa, $628.40; IL Dept Of Innovation and Technology, $636.15; **TOTAL: $383,668.85** AYES: CAREY, PORTER, RIVARA, FINLEY. MOTION CARRIED.

There was no comment from the public on agenda items.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY PORTER, SECONDED BY CAREY, to approve the purchase of a new squad car for the police department using Impound Fee Funds. The new vehicle costs $28,650.00 AYES: CAREY, PORTER, RIVARA, FINLEY. MOTION CARRIED.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY RIVARA, SECONDED BY CAREY, to place Ordinance No. 933-091916, Authorizes the Issuance of GO Bonds, Series 2016, on file. Mayor Finley said that refinancing the bonds would save the city between $40,000 to $60,000. AYES: CAREY, PORTER, RIVARA, FINLEY. MOTION CARRIED.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY PORTER, SECONDED BY CAREY to accept the 2016 Summer Fun Fest report and approve the 2017 dates (July 6-9). Mayor Finley told the council that the event itself had made more than $30,000. The parade, a new component of the week-long celebration, came at a cost of almost $16,000. AYES: CAREY, PORTER, RIVARA, FINLEY. MOTION CARRIED.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY RIVARA, SECONDED BY CAREY, to approve the request from the Oglesby Knights of Columbus to hold their Sept. 17th, AYES: CAREY, PORTER, RIVARA, YBORRA, FINLEY. MOTION CARRIED.

The Mayor then opened the floor for comments from the public.

Oglesby resident Jason Curran asked the council about connecting solar panels unto the city’s electric system. Commissioner Rivara said that there were ordinances addressing that and net metering.

Drew Merriman complained about lawn mowers operating on city streets.

Commissioner and Mayor reports:

Commissioner Carey told the council he felt that some people were taking advantage of the city’s branch chipping policy, putting large piles of branches on the berms on days other than those designated by the electric department.

Commissioner Porter told the council that the fire department had received a grant for more than $59,000 for equipment.

Andy Washelesky updated the council in Commissioner Yborra’s absence on the progress of the street projects on Portland and First Streets.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY PORTER, SECONDED BY RIVARA to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing “the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, and performance or dismissal of a specific employee or legal counsel for the public body” and “pending or probable litigation.” At 7:15 p.m. AYES: CAREY, PORTER, RIVARA, FINLEY. MOTION CARRIED.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY PORTER, SECONDED BY CAREY to resume the regular city council meeting at 7:47 p.m. AYES: CAREY, PORTER, RIVARA, FINLEY. MOTION CARRIED.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY PORTER, SECONDED BY RIVARA to grant a severance package of $1,000 plus owed holiday and vacation days to the three fulltime dispatchers who were let go when IVRD took over dispatcher duties. AYES: CAREY, PORTER, RIVARA, FINLEY. MOTION CARRIED.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY PORTER, SECONDED BY RIVARA, to adjourn at 7:50 p.m.

AYES: CAREY, PORTER, RIVARA, FINLEY. MOTION CARRIED.

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Becky Clinard, City Clerk