

CITY OF ALTON
ALTON CITY COUNCIL

June 10, 2009

A Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Alton, Illinois was held in the City Council Chambers, City Hall Building, Alton, Illinois at the hour of 7:30 p.m. on the above date.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Hoechst.

The Council Members present on call of the roll:

PRESENT: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

ABSENT: None - 0

Mayor Hoechst led the Pledge to the Flag.

Mayor Hoechst presented a proclamation to the Marquette Catholic High School Girls Soccer Team declaring the week of June 14 through June 21, 2009 to be “Marquette Catholic High School Girls’ Soccer Team Week” in the City of Alton, Illinois.

At this time Mayor Hoechst recognized Doug Bader and Kerry Miller from the Alton Historical Commission. Mr. Bader and Mr. Miller presented the 2009 Preservation Awards to the following:

Commercial

Lincoln Lofts – 206 State St. – Jason & Julie Harper

Survivor Award

330 Alby St., - Jerry L. & Donna M. Ware Cannon

Craftmanship Award

1700 Liberty St. – Gary Camerer (for 1700 Liberty)

New Construction

SIU Dental School of Medicine

Stewardship

630 Langdon – Donald E. Groshong

Renovation

205 E. Elm – Phillip G. Weiss

443 E. Fourth St. – Chris & Deborah M. Schuneman

Paint

1215 Washington – Donald Munchgesang

COUNCIL MINUTES, COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORT OF OFFICERS

The Clerk presented the following Council Meeting Minutes of May 27, 2009 and the Special Inaugural Meeting of May 27, 2009 and the following Communications: Scheffel & Company, PC, re: U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133 Single Audit Report, November 30, 2008; Rick Faccin, Madison County Auditor, re: Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for Fiscal Year ended November 30, 2008; Elijah P. Lovejoy Memorial, re: Newsletter for May, 2009; Illinois Department of Transportation, re: Motor Fuel Tax Allotment and Transactions for May, 2009 and the following Report of Officers: City Treasurer, re: Monthly Report for April, 2009; Department of Building and Zoning, re: Monthly Report for May, 2009; Animal Control Department, re: Monthly Report for May, 2009. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fleming, that said Minutes, Communications and Report of Officers be placed on file. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

PETITIONS

Mayor Pro Tem Ryan presented the following petition from Community Counseling Center of Northern Madison County to request a map amendment and rezoning from R2 to C2 for property located at 2600 and 2620 Brown Street for the purpose of creating a parking lot expansion for the Counseling Center. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fleming, that said petition be referred to the Plan Commission. The Chair so ordered.

COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Fleming presented the following Committee of the Whole Meeting Report for June 8, 2009; Resolution, re: Discount and Special Bills paid; Resolution, re: Lease Agreement between the City of Alton and Sarah J. Gentelin d/b/a Gentelin's on Broadway; Resolution, re: Consider an ordinance concerning the reorganization of the Public Works Department and other issues; Resolution, re: Code of Conduct for appointed and non-union employees; Amendment, re: Include a policy prohibiting workplace violence; Resolution, re: Redevelopment Agreement with Warren Initiatives, Inc. pursuant to the terms of the Alton Tax Increment Finance Grant Program; Resolution, re: Redevelopment Agreement with Warren Initiatives, Inc. pursuant to the terms of the Alton Residential Tax Increment Finance Grant Program; Resolution, re: Budget and Appropriation Ordinance #7146; Resolution, re: Public Hearing to be held on behalf of the City by the engineers of Sheppard, Morgan & Schwaab, Inc. concerning the Combined Sewer Overflow – Long Term Control Plan; Resolution, re: Loan application forms and supporting documents for loans from Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund for

construction of sewage treatment works; Resolution, re: City of Alton to cooperate and coordinate with the National Flood Insurance Program to acquire and maintain any flood insurance for Project L17#3591, 2920, 3592; Resolution, re: City of Alton to certify whether the project can meet the applicable performance standards required by the Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund; Resolution, re: Establish a yield sign on Alben St. at Oak St.; Resolution, re: Establish a yield sign on Ladd St. at Oak St.; Resolution, re: Establish a yield sign on Longfellow at Oak St.; Resolution, re: Establish a “No Parking” in front of 2663 N. Rodgers; Resolution, re: Redevelopment Agreement with Worley Allen, L.P. pursuant to the terms of the Alton Tax Increment Finance Grant Program; Resolution, re: That the Alton Law Enforcement Center shall be known as the “Donald E. Sandidge Law Enforcement Center”; Amendment, re: That a public hearing be held to consider comments concerning the change of the name of the Alton Law Enforcement Center to the “Donald E. Sandidge Law Enforcement Center”. Mr. Fleming made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said report be placed on file. The Chair so ordered.

Mr. Fleming presented the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Discount and Special Bills Paid; also all Expenditure Detail Bills as listed in the Comptroller’s report dated June 8, 2009, be allowed and payment be made for same. Mr. Fleming made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

Mr. Fleming presented the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the attached Lease Agreement between the City of Alton and Sarah J. Gentelin d/b/a Gentelin’s on Broadway be and hereby is approved and the Mayor is authorized to execute the agreement. Mr. Fleming made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

Mr. Fleming presented the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the attached Ordinance Concerning the Reorganization of the Public Works Department and Other Issues be considered. Mr. Fleming made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 6

NAYS: Martin – 1

Mr. Fleming presented the following amended resolution:

WHEREAS, Mayor Hoechst has proposed a Code of Conduct for Appointed and Non-Union Employees to establish minimum guidelines for employees of the City of Alton in connection with their employment; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Hoechst has asked for the review and approval of said guidelines by the City Council of the City of Alton.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the attached Code of Conduct for Appointed and Non-Union Employees, including a policy prohibiting workplace violence, is approved. Mr. Fleming made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that said amended resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

Mr. Fleming presented the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the Mayor be and is hereby authorized to execute the attached redevelopment agreement with Warren Initiatives, Inc., pursuant to the terms of the Alton Tax Increment Finance Grant Program. Mr. Fleming made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

Mr. Fleming presented the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the Mayor be and is hereby authorized to execute the attached redevelopment agreement with Warren Initiatives, Inc., pursuant to the terms of the Alton Residential Tax Increment Finance Grant Program. Mr. Fleming made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

Mr. Fleming presented the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Alton, Madison County, Illinois, that the City Council adopt a Budget and Appropriation Ordinance #7146 for fiscal year commencing on the 1st day of April, 2009 and ending on the 31st day of March, 2010. Mr. Fleming made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

Mr. Fleming presented the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the City authorize a public hearing to be held on behalf of the City by engineers of Sheppard, Morgan & Schwaab, Inc., concerning the Combined Sewer Overflow – Long Term Control Plan as set forth in the attached NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING and that the City Clerk cause said NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING to be published in the legal notice section of the Alton Telegraph on June 12, 2009. Mr. Fleming made a motion, seconded by Mr. Brake, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

Mr. Fleming presented the following resolution:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A
REPRESENTATIVE TO SIGN
LOAN DOCUMENTS

Whereas, application provisions for loans from Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund for construction of sewage treatment works require that the City of Alton, Illinois authorize a representative to sign the loan application forms and supporting documents; therefore, be it resolved by the City of Alton, Illinois that _____ is hereby authorized to sign all loan application forms and documents. Mr. Fleming made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

Mr. Fleming presented the following resolution:

RESOLUTION OF INTENT REGARDING NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE

Whereas application provisions for loans from the Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund require compliance with the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, as amended, and

Whereas the costs of securing and maintaining flood insurance are eligible for loan participation during the approved construction period, and

Whereas failure to secure flood insurance for eligible construction located in designated flood hazard areas will cause this construction to become ineligible for loan funds:

Now therefore, be it resolved that the City of Alton will cooperate and coordinate with the National Flood Insurance Program to acquire and maintain any flood insurance

made available for Project L17#3591, 2920, 3592 for the entire useful life of the insurable construction pursuant to the Flood Insurance Act of 1968, as amended, and that it will secure said flood insurance for each insurable structure, as soon as said insurance is available and will notify the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency in writing that the National Flood Insurance requirement has been satisfied. Mr. Fleming made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

Mr. Fleming presented the following resolution:

CERTIFICATION REGARDING PROJECT PERFORMANCE STANDARDS

Whereas, the application provisions for loans from the Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund requires that the City of Alton certify one year after the date of initiation of operation of the project whether the project can meet the applicable performance standards, and

Whereas, before the said certification can be made and before project construction is initiated, the applicable project performance standards must be established;

Therefore, the City of Alton hereby certifies that the performance standards applicable for the useful life of the project shall be as listed below, as well as the enforceable requirements of the Clean Water Act. In addition, the project shall be built in accordance with the approved plans and specifications.

1. For load limits computed on a design average flow (DAF) of 10.5 MGD and a design maximum flow (DMF) of 26.25 MGD, the effluent for discharge number(s) 001 shall be limited as identified in NPDES Permit #IL 0027464 (reference the final water quality and effluent standards and limitations);

and/or

2. Under design conditions, there shall be no overflows, surcharges, or backups associated with the separate sanitary collection system.

Mr. Fleming made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

Mr. Fleming presented the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that a yield sign be established on Alben St. at Oak St. Mr. Fleming made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7
NAYS: None – 0

Mr. Fleming presented the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that a yield sign be established on Ladd St. at Oak St. Mr. Fleming made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7
NAYS: None – 0

Mr. Fleming presented the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that a yield sign be established on Longfellow at Oak St. Mr. Fleming made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7
NAYS: None – 0

Mr. Fleming presented the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that a “No Parking” be established in front of 2663 N. Rodgers. Mr. Fleming made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7
NAYS: None – 0

Mr. Fleming presented the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the Mayor be and is hereby authorized to execute the attached redevelopment agreement with Worley Allen, LP, pursuant to the terms of the Alton Tax Increment Finance Grant Program. Mr. Fleming made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7
NAYS: None – 0

Mr. Fleming presented the following amended resolution:

WHEREAS, City Code 6-1-7 requires a public hearing before the renaming of any public property belonging to the City of Alton; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that it is appropriate to move forward with the renaming of the Alton Law Enforcement Center to the Donald E. Sandidge Law Enforcement Center, subject to the requirements of the City Code and the results of a public hearing.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that a public hearing shall be held to consider public comments concerning the change of the name of the Alton Law Enforcement Center to the “**Donald E. Sandidge Law Enforcement Center**” and that said public hearing shall be held before the City Council at its regular meeting of July 8, 2009, and that the City Clerk publish notice of said hearing in compliance with 6-1-7 of the Alton City Code. Mr. Fleming made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said amended resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

Mayor Pro Tem Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that the Rules of the Council be Suspended in order to request the first and second readings of Ordinance No. 7143. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds,
Mayor Hoechst – 8

NAYS: None – 0

Mayor Pro Tem Ryan presented the following ordinance for first reading.

Ordinance No. 7143. An Ordinance concerning the reorganization of the Public Works Department and other issues.

Mayor Pro Tem Ryan, presented the following ordinance for second reading.

Ordinance No. 7143. An Ordinance concerning the reorganization of the Public Works Department and other issues. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said ordinance be adopted. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 6

NAYS: Martin – 1

REPORTS AND/OR RESOLUTIONS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

The Clerk presented the following Appearance Review Commission, re: Public Hearing Minutes of May 6, 2009 and May 20, 2009. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded

by Mr. Fleming, that said minutes be placed on file. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

APPOINTMENTS

Mayor Hoechst presented the following three (3) appointments:

George Stumpe – Department of Development & Housing/Electrical Inspector

Darrell S. McGibany – Alton Beautification and Clean City Committee

Brad Cunningham – Alton Beautification and Clean City Committee

Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fleming, that the above and foregoing three (3) appointments be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

PUBLIC FORUM ADDRESSING CITY BUSINESS

Mayor Pro Tem Ryan presented the following request for the floor from Dave Petras. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fleming, that said request be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

Mr. Petras took the floor and spoke, re: Possibility of Lay-Offs.

COMMENTS OR RESOLUTIONS FROM THE COUNCIL

Mr. Ryan presented the following two (2) resolutions:

1. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that all parking restrictions in the 100 block of Easton Street between Front Street and E. Broadway be lifted.

2. WHEREAS, J & S Real Estate Co., d/b/a Waterfront Ventures, Inc., and Northbridge Capital Corporation purchased the boat formerly owned by American Riverways Company, Inc., said boat being formerly known as “The Boat at the Riverbend”; and

WHEREAS, the new owners of “The Boat at the Riverbend” desire to continue to moor the vessel at the same location until such time as permanent plans for the vessel are finalized; and

WHEREAS, the City of Alton agrees that the vessel can remain in its current location subject to certain additional terms and conditions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the Mayor and appropriate City officials are hereby authorized and directed to execute on behalf of the City of Alton the attached AGREEMENT allowing the former “The Boat at the Riverbend” to remain in its current location upon the terms and conditions as set forth in the attached AGREEMENT.
Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fleming, that the above and foregoing two (2) resolutions be referred to the Committee of the Whole. The Chair so ordered.

Mr. Velloff presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, it is necessary to effect the demolition of certain structures deemed unsafe under 65 ILCS 5/11-31-1, the owners of which have neglected or refuses to perform required demolition.

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that its officials and agents are hereby authorized to pursue appropriate legal action against such properties in the Circuit Court as listed below:

918 Humboldt Ct.

Mr. Velloff made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that said resolution be referred to the Committee of the Whole. The Chair so ordered.

Mr. Fleming presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, it is necessary to effect the demolition of certain structures deemed unsafe under 65 ILCS 5/11-31-1, the owners of which have neglected or refuses to perform required demolition.

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that its officials and agents are hereby authorized to pursue appropriate legal action against such properties in the Circuit Court as listed below:

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Mr. Fleming made a motion, seconded by Mr. Brake, that said resolution be referred to the Committee of the Whole. The Chair so ordered.

Mr. Boulds presented the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that \$15,00.00 be transferred from line item 530-6917 (Treatment Plant Renewal & Replacement-Existing Cash) to line item 2908-2880 (Treatment Plant

Renewal & Replacement-Contract Work) with regard to the current budget fiscal year to have repairs made on the #4 Blower and Motor for the Waste Water Treatment Plant as Illinois Electric Works as a sole source vendor.

Vendor: Illinois Electric Works

Funding: Sewer Funds

Mr. Boulds made a motion, seconded by Mr. Brake, that the Rules of the Council be Suspended in order to act upon said resolution. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds,
Mayor Hoechst - 8

NAYS: None – 0

Mr. Boulds made a motion, seconded by Mr. Brake, that the above and foregoing resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, Mr. Boulds made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fleming, that the meeting adjourn. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

Mary T. Boulds MMC
City Clerk

(Seal of the City of Alton, Illinois)