

CITY OF ALTON
ALTON, ILLINOIS

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING REPORT

MAY 24, 2010

A Regular Meeting of the Committee of the Whole was held in the City Council Chambers, City Hall Building, Alton, Illinois at approximately 7:00 p.m. on the above date.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ryan.

Roll Call of members present or absent was as follows:

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

ABSENT: None - 0

Also in attendance were Mayor Hoechst; Comptroller Elliott; Treasurer Roth; Fire Chief Bock; Police Chief Hayes; Director of Development & Housing Roggio; Personnel Director Miles; Public Works Director Kerr; Wastewater Treatment Operations Supervisor Roth; Director of Park and Recreation Cunningham; Associate Director of Park & Recreation Lewis; Associate Director Public Relations/City Liaison Asselmeier; Corporation Counselor Schrempf and City Attorney Napp.

Chairman Ryan presented the Discount and Special Bills paid as listed in the Comptroller's Report dated May 24, 2010 be approved and a Resolution authorizing same be presented at Wednesday's Council Meeting. Mr. Boulds 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

Chairman Ryan presented the following Laid Over Resolution, re: That the attached Ordinance Amending Ordinance 7072, Authorizing Permit Parking for Residents of Downtown Alton be considered. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said Laid Over Resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None - 0

Chairman Ryan presented the following Laid Over Resolution, re: That the Mayor and appropriate city officials are hereby authorized and directed to execute a lease agreement by and between the City of Alton, Illinois and William Maher, Jr. Mr. Velloff made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that said Laid Over Resolution be approved.

Mr. Velloff presented the following Amendment:

Lease Agreement between the City of Alton and William Maher, Jr. Mr. Velloff made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that said Amendment be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

NAYS: Fleming – 1

Mr. Boulds made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that said Laid Over Resolution as amended be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None – 0

Mr. Ryan presented the following Resolution, re: That the attached Ordinance Concerning Parking on the North Side of Broadway in Front of #10 East Broadway be considered. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Velloff, 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. Ryan presented the following Resolution, re: That a public hearing be held before the City Council at its regular meeting of June 23, 2010 to consider the vacation of a portion of Alton Street and a portion of Fifth Street. Mr. Ryan 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. Ryan presented the following Resolution, re: That the City of Alton has pursued court action for the demolition of a dangerous and unsafe structure at 708 Mechanic Street; and a neighbor of 708 Mechanic Street has requested to purchase the real estate commonly known as 708 Mechanic Street and has agreed to advance expenses that would be incurred by the City of Alton in connection with the foreclosure of the City's lien for demolition; and that the Corporation Counselor is authorized and directed to cause to be commenced a court proceeding in the nature of foreclosure of the City's lien for expenses and possible retention of additional legal counsel. Mr. McCahill made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Martin, 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. Ryan presented the following Resolution, re: That officials and agents of the City of Alton are hereby authorized to pursue appropriate legal action in the Circuit Court as listed below: 3435 Humbert Rd. and 242 W. 19th. Mr. Brake made a motion,

seconded by Mrs. Martin, 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. Ryan presented the following Resolution, re: That the attached Ordinance providing for the issuance of not to exceed \$2,750,00 General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2010, of the City of Alton, Madison County, Illinois, and providing for the levy and collection of a direct annual tax for the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds be considered. Mr. Brake made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said Resolution be approved.

Mary C. Kane, Senior Vice President-Public Finance from Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Inc. took the floor and presented information concerning the \$2,490,000 City of Alton Refunding Bonds.

The vote for approval of the General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2010 was as follows:

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

At this time, Mr. Brake made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that the following Resolution regarding a contract with Sheppard, Morgan & Schwaab, Inc. to design the Alton Riverfront Promenade be removed from the TABLE. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Mr. Ryan presented the following Resolution, re: That the Mayor is authorized to execute a contract with Shepard, Morgan & Schwaab, Inc. to initiate final design of the Alton Riverfront Promenade from its present terminus near the Boat of the Riverbend to the entrance of the Argosy Casino with said funding coming from the Marina/Riverfront \$0.10 Restricted Fund. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said Resolution be approved.

Mr. Boulds presented the following Amendment:

Proposal for Profession Engineering Services in conjunction with the City's Master Plan for the Alton Riverfront. Mr. Boulds made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that said Amendment be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Mr. Boulds made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that said Resolution as amended 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 Committee 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

JIM RYAN
CHAIRMAN

JR/nlw