

REGULAR MEETING OF THE LEXINGTON CITY COUNCIL

December 27, 2011

The regular meeting of the Lexington City Council was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Mohr in the City Council Chambers at Lexington City Hall.

Roll call was taken to find the following physically present: Mayor Mohr, Alderman Cole, Alderman Miller, Alderman Fiero, Alderman Revelle, and Alderman Winterland. Absent were Alderman Brill and Clerk Kunkel. Members of the staff and the public present were: Mike Beard, Jason Chambers – Candidate for McLean County State Attorney, and Margaret Quinley – Deputy Clerk.

Mayor Mohr commented on the minutes from the previous meeting. It is the Council's intention to stay within the \$1000 budget for fuel in the EMA budget. The Appropriated amount of \$6000 on that line item was approved in June and will stand. After discussion, it was moved by Alderman Fiero and seconded by Alderman Miller to accept the minutes as written. Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Alderman Winterland and seconded by Alderman Revelle to accept the Treasurer's report and authorize payment of bills in the amount of \$164,692.71, which includes a payment to Mid-Illinois Mechanical for \$150,240.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Input – Jason Chambers, candidate for McLean County State Attorney, introduced himself, and expressed interest in visiting various City Council meetings.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Committee Reports:

Mayor: 1) Have gotten the feedback on Chaney's Preliminary subdivision plan. A letter with the comments will be sent soon, so a final plat can be prepared and submitted to the Planning Commission. Some of the developers are eager to get started with construction. Alderman Cole hopes the City can keep the project moving as quickly as possible due to the ongoing discussions in Bloomington and Normal about the possible requirement for residential fire sprinkler installations. This could positively impact local construction. 2) Closed on the loan for the sewer connections at Heartland Bank on Dec. 23. The first pay request has been submitted, a check received, deposited and paid with tonight's bills. Some interest payments on the draws may be received as well. 3) Met with Bob Kohlhase and Zach Knight from Farnsworth Group to discuss keeping Lexington on the list for the Revolving Loan Program to be used on water system improvements. Kohlhase will research the types of treatment plant options that the City could consider.

Police Committee: None – Alderman Brill absent

Building/Insurance : Alderman Miller reported that Ryan Field Service has found an outlet for disposing of the old tires that had begun to amass behind their business.

Finance/TIF: Alderman Winterland reported that the TIF programs are now on the City website, but still needs some tweaking and the application form downloaded. He will contact Sara. He is still in the process of preparing some narrative for the Economic Development tab on the website. He will also contact the current TIF applicants to notify of their denial, and let them know they can re-apply in January.

Water/Sewer: Mike Beard presented draft copies of revised application forms for both water and sewer service. After suggestions, he will re-work the drafts and present at the next meeting.

Sanitation: None

Street/ Alley: Revelle reported that Bill has been busy doing equipment maintenance and preparing for winter weather conditions. The small tractor is having starter problems, so tracking down the source will be a priority.

There being no further business, it was moved by Alderman Miller and seconded by Alderman Winterland to adjourn at 8:00 p.m. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Quinley
Deputy Clerk