

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE NORMAL TOWN COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, NORMAL CITY HALL, FOURTH FLOOR UPTOWN STATION, 11 UPTOWN CIRCLE, NORMAL, MCLEAN COUNTY, ILLINOIS – MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2017.

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Chris Koos called the regular meeting of the Normal Town Council to order at 7:00 p.m., Monday, February 6, 2017.

2. ROLL CALL:

The Clerk called the roll with the following persons physically

PRESENT: Mayor Chris Koos and Councilmembers Scott Preston, R.C. McBride, Kathleen Lorenz, Kevin McCarthy, and Cheryl Gaines. Also present were City Manager Mark Peterson, Deputy City Manager Pamela Reece, Corporation Counsel Brian Day and Town Clerk Wendy Briggs.

ABSENT: Councilmember Jeff Fritzen.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mayor Koos led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

4. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:

Mayor Koos read aloud the items to be considered under the Omnibus Vote Agenda.

- A. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF JANUARY 17, 2017:
- B. APPROVAL OF TOWN OF NORMAL EXPENDITURES FOR PAYMENT AS OF FEBRUARY 1, 2017:
- C. RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT BIDS FOR HVAC EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT AT THE NORMAL THEATER AND AWARD A CONTRACT TO MID ILLINOIS MECHANICAL OF BLOOMINGTON, IL, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$212,770: Resolution No. 5368:
- D. RESOLUTION WAIVING THE FORMAL PROCUREMENT PROCESS AND AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH VINTAGE TECH L.L.C. FOR ELECTRONICS WASTE RECYCLING SERVICES: Resolution No. 5369:
- E. RESOLUTION WAIVING THE FORMAL BIDDING PROCESS AND AUTHORIZE A CONTRACT WITH OTTO BAUM COMPANY AND LIBERTY GLASS & MIRROR FOR EXTERIOR FAÇADE REPAIRS AND RESTORATION AT 305 E. PINE STREET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,699: Resolution No. 5370:
- F. RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT BIDS AND AWARD A CONTRACT TO ENDRIZZI CONTRACTING, INC., FOR TREE REMOVAL ASSOCIATED WITH THE IMPROVEMENT OF GREENBRIAR DRIVE FROM

APPROXIMATELY 900' NORTH OF SHEPARD ROAD TO HERSHEY ROAD, AND OF HERSHEY ROAD FROM SHEPARD ROAD TO RAAB ROAD: Resolution No. 5371:

- G. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH MCLEAN COUNTY FOR CENTRALIZED BOOKING SERVICES: Resolution No. 5372:
- H. RESOLUTION FOR THE USE OF MOTOR FUEL TAX (MFT) FUNDS TO FINANCE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS USED FOR ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS IN UPTOWN NORMAL: Resolution No. 5373:
- I. SUPPLEMENTAL RESOLUTION TO APPROPRIATE AN ADDITIONAL \$133,650 OF THE TOWN'S ALLOTMENT OF MOTOR FUEL TAX FUNDS FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF VIRGINIA AVENUE FROM UNIVERSITY STREET TO FRANKLIN AVENUE:
- J. MOTION TO INITIATE A ZONING MAP AMENDMENT – 1000 SOUTH COTTAGE:
- K. CONDITIONAL RESOLUTION PARTIALLY APPROVING THE FINAL PLAT OF THE KEVIN KELLEY SUBDIVISION (2628 N. LINDEN) BY EXPEDITED PROCESS: Resolution No. 5374:
- L. ORDINANCE ABATING THE LEVY OF 2016 PROPERTY TAXES FOR SPECIAL SERVICE AREA NUMBER ONE: Ordinance No. 5678:

Mayor Koos excused himself from voting on any bills he may have incurred while performing his Mayoral duties.

Items I and J were removed from the Omnibus Vote Agenda.

MOTION:

Councilmember McCarthy moved, seconded by Councilmember McBride, the Council Approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda.

AYES: Preston, McBride, Lorenz, McCarthy, Gaines, Koos.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Fritzen.

Motion declared carried.

Mayor Koos announced Items A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, K, and L were approved by the Omnibus Vote.

5. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:

- I. SUPPLEMENTAL RESOLUTION TO APPROPRIATE AN ADDITIONAL \$133,650 OF THE TOWN'S ALLOTMENT OF MOTOR FUEL TAX FUNDS FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF VIRGINIA AVENUE FROM UNIVERSITY STREET TO FRANKLIN AVENUE: Resolution No. 5375:

MOTION:

Councilmember Lorenz moved, seconded by Councilmember McCarthy, the Council Adopt the Supplemental Resolution to Appropriate an Additional \$133,650 for the Town's Allotment of Motor Fuel Tax Funds for the Improvement of Virginia Avenue from University Street to Franklin Avenue.

Councilmember Lorenz posed questions for clarification purposes concerning the proposed Resolution, which questions were responded to by Town Engineer Gene Brown.

AYES: McBride, Lorenz, McCarthy, Gaines, Preston, Koos.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Fritzen.

Motion declared carried.

J. MOTION TO INITIATE A ZONING MAP AMENDMENT – 1000 SOUTH COTTAGE:

MOTION:

Councilmember Lorenz moved, seconded by Councilmember McCarthy, the Council Initiate a Zoning Map Amendment for 1000 South Cottage Avenue.

Councilmember Lorenz questioned the changes to the current development. Town Planner Mercy Davison provided a brief background on the developer's plan to dissolve the current Planned Unit Development and proceed with rezoning the property and approve a new Planned Unit Development for the area. Attorney Rachel Brandt was also available to respond to questions from Council.

AYES: Lorenz, McCarthy, Gaines, Preston, McBride, Koos.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Fritzen.

Motion declared carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mayor Koos announced he had received requests to address the Council pertaining to Agenda Items.

Mr. Doug Fansler, 307 Carriage Hills Road, Normal, Illinois, addressed the Council concerning the lack of a cost benefit analysis in the report before the Council. Mr. Fansler addressed the amount of money that has been spent to date, as well as the amount of dollars it will take to finish the project, and questioned exactly what would be the benefit of these dollars spent. Mr. Fansler also requested the Council change the 45 day rule in place for addressing the Council.

Mr. Ron Ulmer, 1114 N. Linden Street, Normal, Illinois, suggested the pedestrian railroad crossing be funded with no new taxes and the crossing be used by everyone, not simply AMTRAK passengers.

Mr. Marc Tiritilli, 1212 Timber Ridge Court, Normal, Illinois, expressed concern with the proposed pedestrian underpass, indicating he felt it was a "want" and not a "need" for uptown. Mr. Tiritilli also indicated the need to manage the costs for this project.

Mr. Grant Jones, 115 Susan Drive, Normal, Illinois, addressed the Council indicating his support for the proposed Ordinance changes in video gaming, further suggesting this be retroactive.

GENERAL ORDERS:

6. ORDINANCE AMENDING THE LIQUOR CODE TO ESTABLISH STANDARDS FOR RESTAURANT LICENSES AND CREATE A LICENSE CLASSIFICATION FOR COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY EVENTS AND AMENDING DIVISION 14 OF CHAPTER 22 TO ESTABLISH RESIDENTIAL SET BACK REQUIREMENTS FOR VIDEO-GAMING ESTABLISHMENTS: Ordinance No. 5679:

MOTION:

Councilmember McCarthy moved, seconded by Councilmember Gaines, the Council Approve the Ordinance Amending the Liquor Code to Establish Standards for Restaurant Licenses and Create a License Classification for College and University Events and Amending Division 14 of Chapter 22 to Establish Residential Set Back Requirements for Video-Gaming Establishments.

Mayor Koos provided a brief overview of this item, indicating these changes were a result of the Council's strategic planning session.

AYES: McCarthy, Gaines, Preston, McBride, Lorenz, Koos.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Fritzen.

Motion declared carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

7. MOTION APPROVING STUDY ALTERNATIVES, PROJECT GOALS, AND CRITERIA FOR ANALYSIS FOR THE PROPOSED PEDESTRIAN RAILROAD CROSSING IN UPTOWN NORMAL:

MOTION:

Councilmember McCarthy moved, seconded by Councilmember Lorenz, the Council Approve the Study Alternatives, Project Goals, and Criteria for Analysis for the Proposed Pedestrian Railroad Crossing in Uptown Normal.

Public Works Director Wayne Aldrich introduced WSP/Parsons Brinckerhoff Project Team Members Bruce Nelson and Stephanie Brown. Mr. Nelson and Ms. Brown addressed the Council and presented a brief overview of the project, problems encountered with the project, and the project goals. Mr. Aldrich reiterated that this is the Phase I – Engineering Phase of this study. Mr. Aldrich further indicated there would be public input opportunities further along in the project.

Councilmember Lorenz posed questions concerning the idea of an “at grade” crossing. Mr. Nelson responded that both Union Pacific Railroad and AMTRAK indicate “at grade” crossings are to be avoided. Council discussion ensued. Mayor Koos stated that monies will need to be obtained from the state and/or the federal government to reach the goals necessary to bring this project to fruition, the Town will not be totally funding this project.

AYES: Gaines, Preston, McBride, Lorenz, McCarthy, Koos.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Fritzen.

Motion declared carried.

8. CONCERNS:

There were no concerns.

9. ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Koos called for a Motion to Adjourn.

MOTION:

Councilmember McBride moved, seconded by Councilmember McCarthy, the Regular Meeting of the Normal Town Council be Adjourned.

AYES: Preston, McBride, Lorenz, McCarthy, Gaines, Koos.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Fritzen.

Motion declared carried.

Mayor Chris Koos adjourned the regular meeting of the Normal Town Council at 8:01 p.m., Monday, February 6, 2017.