

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE NORMAL TOWN COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, NORMAL CITY HALL, 100 EAST PHOENIX AVENUE, NORMAL, MCLEAN COUNTY, ILLINOIS – TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2008.

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Chris Koos called the regular meeting of the Normal Town Council to order at 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 2, 2008.

2. ROLL CALL:

The Secretary called the roll with the following persons physically

PRESENT: Mayor Chris Koos and Councilmembers Sonja Reece, Adam Nielsen, Jeff Fritzen, Chuck Scott, Jason Chambers, and Cheryl Gaines. Also present were City Manager Mark Peterson, Assistant City Manager Pamela Reece, Deputy Corporation Counsel Wayne Karplus, and Town Clerk Wendy Briggs.

ABSENT: Corporation Counsel Steve Mahrt.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:

Mayor Koos led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

4. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:

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

Councilmember Reece excused herself from voting on any bills submitted by BroMenn Healthcare and from any bills she may have incurred while performing Council duties.

Councilmember Fritzen excused himself from voting on any bills submitted by Bloomington Offset Process, Inc.

Item F was removed from the Omnibus Vote Agenda.

MOTION:

Councilmember Gaines moved, seconded by Councilmember Nielsen, the Council Approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda.

AYES: Reece, Nielsen, Fritzen, Scott, Chambers, Gaines, Koos.

NAYS: None.

Motion declared carried.

A. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF AUGUST 18, 2008: Omnibus Vote.

B. APPROVAL OF TOWN OF NORMAL EXPENDITURES FOR PAYMENT AS OF AUGUST 27, 2008: Omnibus Vote.

C. MOTION TO ACCEPT A BID AND AWARD A CONTRACT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,284,821.30 TO ROWE CONSTRUCTION CO. FOR THE

2008 STREET RESURFACING PROJECT AND APPROVE A REQUIRED BUDGET AMENDMENT: Omnibus Vote.

- D. RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AN EASEMENT FOR SPECIFIED PUBLIC UTILITIES – HEARTLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 540: Resolution No. 4261: Omnibus Vote.
- E. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACT CHANGES ASSOCIATED WITH THE COLLEGE AVENUE BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$144,246.02 AND APPROVAL OF A BUDGET ADJUSTMENT OF \$43,000.00: Resolution No. 4262: Omnibus Vote.
- G. ORDINANCE VACATING A UTILITY EASEMENT – LOTS 1 AND 2 HEARTLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE SUBDIVISION: Ordinance No. 5213: Omnibus Vote.

5. ITEMS REMOVED FROM OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:

- F. RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE CONTINUATION OF THE OPERATION OF THE PONTIAC CORRECTIONAL CENTER: Resolution No. 4263:

MOTION:

Councilmember Fritzen moved, seconded by Councilmember Reece, the Council Adopt a Resolution Supporting the Continuation of the Operation of the Pontiac Correctional Center.

Councilmember Fritzen commented on the economic hardship this closure will have on the Pontiac area, including a ripple-down effect it will have on the Normal/Bloomington area. Councilmember Fritzen further stated this is another example of what happens at the state level does impact the local level.

AYES: Reece, Nielsen, Fritzen, Scott, Chambers, Gaines, Koos.

NAYS: None.

Motion declared carried.

GENERAL ORDERS

- 6. MOTION TO ACCEPT THE AUDITED TOWN OF NORMAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND REPORT OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 2008:

MOTION:

Councilmember Reece moved, seconded by Councilmember Fritzen, the Council Accept the Audited Town of Normal Financial Statements and Report of Certified Public Accountants for the Year Ending March 31, 2008.

AYES: Reece, Nielsen, Fritzen, Scott, Chambers, Gaines, Koos.

NAYS: None.

Motion declared carried.

- 7. MOTION TO ACCEPT THE FEDERAL COMPLIANCE AUDIT FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 2008:

MOTION:

Councilmember Scott moved, seconded by Councilmember Gaines, the Council Accept the Federal Compliance Audit for the Year Ending March 31, 2008.

AYES: Reece, Nielsen, Fritzen, Scott, Chambers, Gaines, Koos.

NAYS: None.

Motion declared carried.

8. MOTION TO APPROVE THE 2008-09 EMPLOYEE GROUP HEALTH, DENTAL, AND LIFE/AD&D INSURANCE PROGRAM:

MOTION:

Councilmember Gaines moved, seconded by Councilmember Chambers, the Council Approve the 2008-09 Employee Group Health, Dental, and Life/AD&D Insurance Program.

AYES: Reece, Nielsen, Fritzen, Scott, Chambers, Gaines, Koos.

NAYS: None.

Motion declared carried.

9. MOTION AUTHORIZING A ONE-MONTH WAIVER OF PREMIUM PAYMENTS IN THE GROUP INSURANCE PROGRAM FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER, 2008:

MOTION:

Councilmember Scott moved, seconded by Councilmember Gaines, the Council Authorize a One-Month Waiver of Premium Payments in the Group Insurance Program for the Month of September, 2008.

Assistant City Manager Pamela Reece provided a brief overview of this Item and responded to questions from Council.

AYES: Reece, Nielsen, Fritzen, Scott, Chambers, Gaines, Koos.

NAYS: None.

Motion declared carried.

Mayor Koos left the table at 7:16 p.m. Mayor pro tem Reece assumed the Chair.

10. ORDINANCE ADJUSTING THE SALARY OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES EFFECTIVE MAY 1, 2009, AND AMENDING SECTIONS 2.1-2.5 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE TOWN OF NORMAL: Ordinance No. 5214:

MOTION:

Councilmember Gaines moved, seconded by Councilmember Chambers, the Council Approve an Ordinance Adjusting the Salary of the President of the Board of Trustees Effective May 1, 2009, and Amending Sections 2.1-2.5 of the Municipal Code of the Town of Normal.

Councilmember Fritzen commented on the proposed increase for the salary for the President of the Board of Trustees, indicating it was appropriate to consider this increase at this time. General Council discussion ensued.

AYES: Reece, Nielsen, Fritzen, Scott, Chambers, Gaines.  
NAYS: None.  
ABSENT: Koos.  
Motion declared carried.

Mayor Koos returned to the table and resumed the Chair at 7:20 p.m.

## NEW BUSINESS

### 11. PRESENTATION OF THE 2007-2008 FINANCIAL TRENT AND CONDITION REPORT:

Mr. Ron Hill presented an extensive overview of the 2007-2008 Financial Trend Analysis Report and responded to questions from Council.

### 12. CONCERNS:

#### 1. CHILLER PLANT AT ISU:

Councilmember Reece commented on the new Chiller Plant on the Illinois State University campus, indicating it was a beautiful addition to the Uptown Normal area..

#### 2. MAIN/COLLEGE:

Councilmember Reece requested an update of the improvements to the Main/College Avenue intersection, stating this intersection is controlled by the state, not the Town. Town Engineer Gene Brown indicated the Town was working with IDOT in an attempt to get the intersection repaired.

#### 3. MARRIOTT HOTEL HIRING:

Councilmember Reece posed questions concerning the hiring process for the Marriott Hotel and Conference Center, which questions were responded to by City Manager Mark Peterson.

#### 4. 20 UNDER 40:

Councilmember Fritzen stated the Pantagraph had released its list of "20 Under 40" and was pleased the Town's Uptown Marketing Manager Nora Dukowitz was included on the list.

### 13. ADJOURNMENT:

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

#### MOTION:

Councilmember Gaines moved, seconded by Councilmember Reece, the Regular Meeting of the Normal Town Council be Adjourned.

AYES: Reece, Nielsen, Fritzen, Scott, Chambers, Gaines, Koos.  
NAYS: None.

Motion declared carried.

Mayor Koos adjourned the Regular Meeting of the Normal Town Council at 8:07 p.m., Tuesday, September 2, 2008.