

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, MARCH 19, 2018.

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Chris Koos called the regular meeting of the Normal Town Council to order at 7:03 p.m., Monday, March 19, 2018.

2. ROLL CALL:

The Clerk called the roll with the following persons physically

PRESENT: Mayor Chris Koos and Councilmembers Jeff Fritzen, Chemberly Cummings, R.C. McBride, Kathleen Lorenz, Scott Preston, and Kevin McCarthy. Also present were City Manager Mark Peterson, Deputy City Manager Pamela Reece, Corporation Counsel Brian Day, and Town Clerk Angie Huonker.

ABSENT: None.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mayor Koos led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT:

There was no public comment.

Mayor Koos introduced his special guest, Mr. Bob von Almen. Mr. von Almen was the Mayor's former Platoon Sergeant in Vietnam.

5. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:

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

- A. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF MARCH 5, 2018:
- B. APPROVAL OF TOWN OF NORMAL EXPENDITURES FOR PAYMENT AS OF MARCH 14, 2018:
- C. RESOLUTION TO AWARD THE BID FOR THE GRANT STREET AND NORMAL AVENUE WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECTS TO STARK EXCAVATING INC. AT A TOTAL COST OF \$897,602 PLUS UP TO A POTENTIAL \$15,000 BONUS FOR EARLY COMPLETION: Resolution No. 5539:

- D. RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT BIDS AND AWARD A CONTRACT TO OTTO BAUM COMPANY, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$207,816.14 FOR THE IRVING STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECT FROM FELL AVENUE TO HESTER STREET ALLEY: Resolution No. 5540:
- E. RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A QUOTE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$34,291.92 FROM FACTORY MOTORS PARTS OF EAGAN, MINNESOTA FOR PURCHASE OF GOLF CART BATTERIES FOR IRONWOOD GOLF COURSE: Resolution No. 5541:
- F. RESOLUTION DESIGNATING PAMELA S. REECE AS THE TOWN OF NORMAL AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE WITH RESPECT TO THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM: Resolution No. 5542:
- G. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A CONDITIONAL RIGHT OF ENTRY – DAN KELLEY: Resolution No. 5543:

There were no items removed from the Omnibus Vote Agenda.

Mayor Koos excused himself from voting on any expenses he incurred while performing his duties as Mayor.

MOTION:

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

AYES: Fritzen, McBride, Cummings, Lorenz, Preston, McCarthy, Koos.

NAYS: None.

Motion declared carried.

Items A, B, C, D, E, F, and G were approved by the Omnibus Vote.

6. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:

There were no items removed from the Omnibus Vote Agenda.

GENERAL ORDERS:

7. ORDINANCE REZONING PROPERTIES IN THE TOWN OF NORMAL (302-604 N. ADELAIDE, SUDDUTH ROAD ROW, 404 W. LOCUST, 404 NORMAL, 505-507 OSAGE, 305 E. PINE): Ordinance No. 5735:

MOTION:

Councilmember Preston moved, seconded by Councilmember Lorenz the Council Approve an Ordinance Rezoning Properties in the Town Of Normal (302-604 N. Adelaide, Sudduth Road ROW, 404 W. Locust, 404 Normal, 505-507 Osage, 305 E. Pine)

AYES: McBride, Cummings, Lorenz, Preston, McCarthy, Fritzen, Koos.
NAYS: None.
Motion declared carried.

8. ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE PUBLICATION OF A ZONING MAP:
Ordinance No. 5736

MOTION:

Councilmember McCarthy moved, seconded by Councilmember Fritzen, the Council Approve an Ordinance Authorizing the Publication of a Zoning Map.

AYES: Cummings, Lorenz, Preston, McCarthy, Fritzen, McBride, Koos.
NAYS: None.
Motion declared carried.

9. RESOLUTION APPROVING A SITE PLAN FOR 2012 W. COLLEGE: Resolution No. 5544:

MOTION:

Councilmember Fritzen moved, seconded by Councilmember McCarthy, the Council Approve a Resolution Approving a Site Plan for 2012 W. College.

AYES: Lorenz, Preston, McCarthy, Fritzen, McBride, Cummings, Koos.
NAYS: None.
Motion declared carried.

Mr. Stan Nord addressed the Council with what he stated were concerns over an inflation of fees and the Town staff's purposeful disregard and interpretation of the Municipal Code. Mr. Nord stated he feels certain development fees are being unfairly assessed.

City Manager Mark Peterson stated of the thousands of development plans that have come before the Council, there has never been such an accusation. Mr. Peterson further indicated his support of the Town staff and the fees assessed. Mr. Peterson also stated there are processes Mr. Nord can pursue should he want to dispute the development fees in the proper setting.

Councilmember Kevin McCarthy asked for clarification that Council was not giving direction to staff on this item, but simply voting on the Site Plan being presented.

Corporation Counsel Brian Day responded that Mr. McCarthy was correct, they are voting on the presented Site Plan, not giving any direction.

Councilmember Kathleen Lorenz commented that Mr. Nord's issues should be sorted out through legal counsel and not by this public body.

Councilmember Jeff Fritzen stated there is recourse if Mr. Nord would like to challenge the development fees. Mr. Fritzen further stated we want developers to feel welcome and confident in working with the Town.

Councilmember Kevin McCarthy noted recourse is to be handled in a court of law and not for Council to decide.

Councilmember Kathleen Lorenz stated the work of Town staff is impeccable. Mrs. Lorenz urged the applicant to seek additional expertise on his part in an effort to resolve any differences he may have.

Councilmember R.C. McBride stated he is exceptionally proud of the Town staff. Mr. McBride further stated conflict will arise, but he feels the Town is being generous on this item.

Mr. Peterson clarified that disagreements do occur. The Town will always entertain discussion over disagreements and look at both sides. Mr. Peterson stated that when the ethics, integrity, and professionalism of the Town staff is maligned, he feels obligated to speak up about it.

10. RESOLUTION CONDITIONALLY AND PARTIALLY APPROVING THE FINAL PLAT OF FIRST ADDITION TO MP-ONE SUBDIVISION BY EXPEDITED PROCESS (2012 W. COLLEGE): Resolution No. 5545:

MOTION:

Councilmember McCarthy moved, seconded by Councilmember McBride, the Council Approve a Resolution Conditionally and Partially Approving the Final Plat of First Addition to MP-ONE Subdivision by Expedited Process (2012 W. College).

AYES: Preston, McCarthy, Fritzen, McBride, Cummings, Lorenz, Koos.

NAYS: None.

Motion declared carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

11. MOTION TO APPROVE AN APPOINTMENT AND REAPPOINTMENT TO VARIOUS BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES:

MOTION:

Councilmember Preston moved, seconded by Councilmember McCarthy, the Council Approve a Motion to Approve an Appointment and Reappointment to Various Boards, Commissions, and Committees.

AYES: McCarthy, Fritzen, McBride, Cummings, Lorenz, Preston, Koos.

NAYS: None.

Motion declared carried.

Councilmember Jeff Fritzen reviewed the appointments and reappointments to the various Boards, Commissions, and Committees.

CONCERNS / COMMENTS:

Mayor Koos announced that this is the final council meeting of City Manager Mark Peterson before he retires on March 30, 2018. Mayor Koos discussed how this transition will be personally difficult for him after 17 years of working with Mr. Peterson. Mayor Koos talked about Mr. Peterson's quality of management and exemplary professionalism and integrity.

Councilmembers each reflected on their own experiences with Mr. Peterson over the years, discussing the legacy he will leave in the Town. Councilmembers discussed Mr. Peterson's passionate, insightful, trusted nature and his ability to be a true visionary in all that he has accomplished in his years of service.

Mr. Peterson spoke about the noble calling of public service. Mr. Peterson talked about the blessing of serving a model Mayor and Council, that understands the importance of their role. Mr. Peterson went on to discuss the talent of the Town of Normal workforce and how he appreciates their commitment as well as their support, competence and dedication to public service. Mr. Peterson called out two employees specifically, Pamela Reece, who has served as his Deputy City Manager for his entire tenure, and Sandy Fedden, who has served as his Secretary and has been with him since day one. Mr. Peterson also thanked his Senior Management, leaving them with his eternal gratitude, respect and admiration.

Mayor Koos invited everyone to Mark Peterson's Farewell Open House being held on Thursday, March 29, 2018, at the Marriott Hotel & Conference Center from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

12. MOTION TO ADJOURN:

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

MOTION:

Councilmember Fritzen moved, seconded by Councilmember McCarthy, the Council accept a Motion to Adjourn.

AYES: Fritzen, McBride, Cummings, Lorenz, Preston, McCarthy, Koos.

NAYS: None.

Motion declared carried.

Mayor Chris Koos adjourned the regular meeting of the Normal Town Council at 8:13 p.m., Monday, March 19, 2018.