

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF 12 MARCH 2012

12C-0080 – CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Terry Renner called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Chambers at 312½ North Main Street on 12 March 2012.

12C-0081 – ROLL CALL

Upon roll call the following members were present: Cording, Fach, Greene, Lincoln and Renner

Absent: Murphy, Painter

12C-0082 – ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

Mayor Terry Renner announced a quorum of Board members present to conduct city business.

12C-0083 – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge was recited.

12C-0084 - REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

None.

12C-0085 – PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

CONSENT AGENDA CA-5

12C-0086 – APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 27, 2012 CITY COUNCIL MEETING

12C-0087 – APPROVAL OF 2012 ZONING MAP

12C-0088 – APPROVAL OF 2012 POOL HOURS, RATES AND WAGES

12C-0089 – ACCEPTANCE OF JANUARY AND FEBRUARY 2012 FINANCIAL REPORTS

Motion: Lincoln moved, seconded by Cording, to approve Consent Agenda CA-5.

Discussion: None.

Roll Call:
AYES: Fach, Greene, Lincoln, Cording, Renner
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Murphy, Painter

The motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

12C-0090 – SECOND READING AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 111 “ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES” OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES TO ESTABLISH A LICENSE FOR WINE PACKAGES AT HOTELS

Motion: Fach moved, seconded by Lincoln, to approve the second reading of an ordinance amending Chapter 111 "Alcoholic Beverages" of the Code of Ordinances to establish a license for wine packages at hotels, 12C-0090.

Discussion: Greene stated he felt the fee was excessive. He suggested setting the fee at \$250 for up to ten rooms. He noted the application states they would only use the gift baskets in their suites. Others disagreed stating it would be hard to police. They felt the license should apply to all rooms.

Roll Call: AYES: Greene, Lincoln, Cording, Fach, Renner
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Murphy, Painter

The motion carried.

12C-0391 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON REQUEST BY SHAW ENTERTAINMENT GROUP, INC. FOR A REFUND OF THEIR LIQUOR LICENSE ANNUAL FEE AND ONE TIME FEE

Motion: Greene moved, seconded by Lincoln, to table item 12C-0091.

Discussion: None.

Roll Call: AYES: Lincoln, Cording, Fach, Greene, Renner
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Murphy, Painter

The motion carried.

12C-0092 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON REQUEST BY AMELIA ROTH FOR A TOUR SERVICE LICENSE TO OPERATE AMELIA'S GHOST TOURS

Motion: Greene moved, seconded by Lincoln, to table item 12C-0092.

Discussion: None.

Roll Call: AYES: Cording, Fach, Greene, Lincoln, Renner
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Murphy, Painter

The motion carried.

12C-0093 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON SOLAR PROJECT BIDS

The following bids were received:

SOLAR PV SYSTEM AT WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT - BIDDERS OPENING - Bid Date: 21 February 2012

Company	Addenda 1-3	Bid Bond	Base Bid	Alternate 1	Alternate 2	Alternate 3	Alternate 4	Alternate 5	Alternate 6
Solar Planet Tim Mueller	Y	Y	1,390,000	205,000	84,000		15,925	NA	1,132,047
Midwest Engineering Consultants, Ltd. Mark T. Turczynski,	Y	Y	1,346,118	86,981 83,506 B	203,079 185,041 B	NA	16,362 -2,700 B	0	
SoCore Energy, LLC Rob Federighi	Y	Y	1,160,424	161,500	69,400	24,789	39,222	0	
R1 Solar LLC Larry Mack									
Eagle Point Solar Barry Shear	Y	Y	1,211,017						
Energy Independence Jeff Finn									
Giese Electric & Timmerman's Talents Todd Timmerman	Y	Y	1,303,311	176,000	70,400	135,000	24,300	NA	
SolRwind Corp. Elizabeth E. Lind									
Schuco USA LLLP J. R. Plate,									
Wanxiang America Co Mike Schaal, GM									
Ed Englert Morse Group	Y	Y	1,528,915	172,731	94,987	32,265	35,227	NA	
A1 Energy, Inc. Jason Hark									
RE Alternatives LLC Bernie Schmidt	Y	Y	1,045,430	157,500	63,000	0	13,200	0	
Solar Universe Larry Smith									
Pieper Electric Inc. Caleb Kostrzewa	Y	Y	1,183,459	1,406,000 (185,000)	1,480,000 (74,000)	NA	14,025 38,830 B	0	
Divane Bros Brian Kraenzle	Y	Y	1,083,000	175,000	70,000	135,000	34,830	0	

Letter after amount indicates alternate item.

Amount in brackets indicates actual amount

Motion: Fach moved, seconded by Cording, to award the contract for a 368 kW pv solar system to Eagle Point Solar at a not to exceed cost of \$1,211,017 subject to: 1) final approval of the design by City staff and our consulting engineer, and 2) final approval of the contract by our staff and legal counsel.

Discussion: Council felt Eagle Point Solar shows the best deal and thanked staff for their hard work on the project.

Roll Call: AYES: Cording, Fach, Greene, Lincoln, Renner
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Murphy, Painter

The motion carried.

12C-0094 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON ESTABLISHING THE AMOUNT OF THE REFUNDING OF SERIES 2003 BONDS

Motion: Greene moved, seconded by Lincoln, to approve establishing the amount of the refunding of the Series 2003 Bonds in the amount of \$3,571,200.

Discussion: None.

Roll Call: AYES: Cording, Fach, Greene, Lincoln, Renner
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Murphy, Painter

The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

12C-0095 – FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE REZONING 700 SPRING STREET FROM LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL TO NEIGHBORHOOD COMMERCIAL

Motion: Lincoln moved, seconded by Greene, to approve the first reading of an ordinance rezoning 700 Spring Street from Low Density Residential to Neighborhood Commercial, item 12C-0095.

Discussion: None.

Roll Call: AYES: Fach, Greene, Lincoln, Cording, Renner
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Murphy, Painter

The motion carried.

12C-0096 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE PURCHASE OF A NEW TRUCK FOR THE WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENTS

Motion: Greene moved, seconded by Lincoln, to approve the purchase of a new truck for the Water and Sewer Departments from Runde Chevrolet in the amount of \$28,834 for the truck and the plow from Bonnell in the amount of \$5,200 for a total of \$34,034.

Discussion: None.

Roll Call: AYES: Greene, Lincoln, Cording, Fach, Renner

NAYS: None
ABSENT: Murphy, Painter

The motion carried.

12C-0097 – FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 51 OF CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR UTILITY BILLING COLLECTION PROCEDURES

Motion: Fach moved, seconded by Lincoln, to approve the first reading of an ordinance amending Chapter 51 of the Code of Ordinances for utility billing collection procedures, item 12C-0097.

Discussion: None.

Roll Call: AYES: Lincoln, Cording, Fach, Greene, Renner
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Murphy, Painter

The motion carried.

12C-0098 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE PURCHASE OF TWO UTILITY VEHICLES FOR THE PARKS DEPARTMENT

Motion: Cording moved, seconded by Lincoln, to approve the purchase of two utility vehicles for the Parks Department at a cost of \$13,700.

Discussion: Greene stated he felt it would make more sense to purchase two 4-wheel drive gators vs. one 2-wheel drive and one 4-wheel drive unit. He felt the trade-in value would be much better on the 4-wheel drive, as nobody wants a 2-wheel drive gator.

Albaugh stated he and Jim Rigdon looked at both and felt the 2-wheel drive unit would be sufficient for watering flowers, garbage pickup in the park and park maintenance. Purchasing another 4-wheel drive unit vs. the 2-wheel drive unit would increase the cost by approximately \$6,000.

Roll Call: AYES: Cording, Lincoln, Renner
NAYS: Fach, Greene
ABSENT: Murphy, Painter

The motion carried.

12C-0099 – PRESENTATION BY THE GALENA-JODAVIESS COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY AND MUSEUM REGARDING COMMUNITY BENEFIT AND FUNDING POSSIBILITIES

Nancy Breed of the Galena-JoDaviess County Historical Society and Museum made a presentation regarding community benefit and funding possibilities.

Steve Coates reported on the status of cooperation with other entities and the percentage amount that other communities were contributing to their historical society.

Cording questioned if the museum was working with VisitGalena as one of the tools of cooperation. Breed advised they were.

Council requested a copy of the museums budget.

12C-00100 – WARRANTS

Motion: Greene moved, seconded by Cording, to approve the Warrants as presented.

Discussion: None.

Roll Call: AYES: Cording, Fach, Greene, Lincoln, Renner
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Murphy, Painter

The motion carried.

12C-0101 – ALDERPERSONS’ COMMENTS

Sink Hole – Fach reported a sink hole on Highway 20 up from the stoplights near the first sewer grate.

Annexation – Fach stated he would like to start looking at those parcels of land that are surrounded by the city for annexation.

Thank You – Cording thanked the museum for their report and good work.

Solar Project – Lincoln thanked staff for their time and efforts on the solar project.

Business Roundtable – Lincoln attended the March 2 Business Roundtable at Benjamin’s and reported it was a good meeting and it is good to let people know what the city’s needs are.

12C-0102 – CITY ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

Budget – Moran passed out the first draft of the budget and advised the first work session will be held Monday, March 19.

Solar Project – Moran advised one of the interesting facts with the solar project is that it will produce 10 to 13 percent of the electricity used in the community.

12C-0103 – MAYOR’S REPORT

Mayor Renner thanked staff for their fine work on the solar project and encouraged everyone to keep moving ahead.

11C-0104 – MOTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion: Lincoln moved, seconded by Fach, to recess to Executive Session to discuss the following:

- Collective negotiating matters and deliberations concerning salary schedules, 2 (c) (2)
- Review of Executive Session Minutes, Section 2 (c) (21)

Roll Call: AYES: Cording, Fach, Greene, Lincoln, Renner
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Murphy, Painter

The motion carried.

The meeting recessed at 7:20 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 7:52 p.m.

12C-0104 - ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Lincoln moved, seconded by Fach, to adjourn.

Discussion: None.

Roll Call: AYES: Lincoln, Cording, Fach, Greene, Renner
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Murphy, Painter

The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Mary Beth Hyde, CMC
City Clerk

