

**ESSEXVILLE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 9, 2014 7:00 PM
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

Mayor Tanner called the REGULAR MEETING of the Essexville City Council held on September 9, 2014 to order at 7:00 PM.

City Clerk, Sarah Wilcox, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

The following City Council Members were present at the meeting: Jennifer Gradowski, John Kustuch, Robert Mantei, Thomas Rehmus, Timothy Weiler, Scott Wittbrodt and Russell Tanner.

ABSENT: None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Rehmus, Gradowski:

Resolved the agenda be approved as written.

YES: Unanimous

Motion Carried

ABSENT: None

CONSENT AGENDA

Rehmus Mantei:

- A. Resolved; City Council hereby approves the minutes of its August 19, 2014 regular meeting, said minutes prepared by the City Clerk and submitted for the City Council's consideration at its September 9, 2014 regular meeting.**
- B. Resolved; pursuant to the City's Zoning Ordinance and law, the City Council appoints Mike Bergen (311 Hart Street) to the Board of Zoning Appeals to a partial term effective immediately through December 31, 2016. The City Council also appoints Jack Mills (508 Main Street) to a partial term effective immediately through December 31, 2016 as an alternate member to the Board of Zoning Appeals.**

YES: Rehmus, Mantei, Gradowski, Kustuch, Weiler, Wittbrodt, Tanner

Motion Carried

ABSENT: None

PRESENTATIONS

None

CITIZEN INPUT

The following citizens addressed the Council:

- Jennifer Gradowski, 408 Sharpe Street
- Mayor Tanner asked for a moment of silence in memory of the thirteenth anniversary of September 11th, 2001.
- Robert Mantei, 406 Main Street

COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Mr. Michael Lutz, County Commissioner, was not in attendance.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE COMMITTEE

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Gradowski, Rehmus:

Resolved; that expense vouchers 15 through 16 totaling \$725,824.14 and payroll voucher 17 through 19 totaling \$52,813.98 for a grand total of \$778,638.12 paid as stated.

YES: Gradowski, Rehmus, Kustuch, Mantei, Weiler, Wittbrodt, Tanner Motion Carried

ABSENT: None

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Amendments to the Zoning Ordinance – The Council discussed holding a public hearing to amend the Zoning Ordinance regarding garages and accessory buildings. After discussion Mayor Tanner stated that a public hearing should be scheduled for the next regular city council meeting in October.

MUNICIPAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Councilmember Kustuch had no report.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Councilmember Mantei had no report. Mayor Tanner asked when a meeting would be scheduled for the committee. City Manager Hansford explained soil borings are currently being taken in Smith Park. After the engineering package is complete a meeting will be scheduled.

PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

Councilmember Rehmus had no report.

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Councilmember Gradowski reported that she had a suggestion from a couple of residents to change the street name of Gateway Place back to the Snaky Path Road. The bike parade is scheduled for September 20, 2014 at 2:00 p.m., the starting point will be at Veterans Park on Main Street. She suggested naming the park across from 7eleven the Terry McDermott Park.

UTILITY AND SPECIAL COMMITTEE

Councilmember Rehmus had no report.

PLANNING COMMISSION

Councilmember Weiler referred to Councilmember Wittbrodt to give the report since he was unable to attend the meeting. He reported that the commission discussed the amendments to the Zoning Ordinance and made a recommendation to the City Council for approval. The Commission unanimously agreed to retract the real estate offer from M&M Seamless Gutters.

DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Councilmember Mantei reported that the DDA met on September 4, 2014 to discuss the discontinuance of the Downtown Development Authority's real estate offer from M&M Seamless Gutters.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Tanner reported on the following items:

- He attended the planning commission meeting.
- At the October city council meeting he would like to recognize Al Hugo who is retiring as the city's building inspector.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Mr. Pergande reported there seems to be an increase in traffic citation hearings.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager, Dan Hansford, updated the Council on the following items:

- The DDA met on Thursday, September 4th and unanimously decided to retract the real estate offer from M&M Seamless Gutters.
- Main Street paving project update.
- The board of zoning appeals met on Thursday, September 4th and decided not to grant a height variance to 510 Main Street for the construction of a pole barn in their back yard.
- He attended a water meeting and toured the new water treatment plant.
- The Legislative Committee will need to meet to review and discuss with council the updates made to the ordinance governing garages and accessory buildings.
- The transition between building inspectors has taken place with the recent certification of Joseph DeWyse as our building inspector. Al Hugo is heading into retirement with our thanks and best wishes.

PUBLIC HEARING(S)

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

DISCUSSION OF CHANGING CITY ELECTION DATES BY ESTABLISHING REGULAR ELECTIONS IN NOVEMBER OF EACH EVEN YEAR COMMENCING WITH THE CITY ELECTION OF NOVEMBER 2016.

No Motion was made. The Council discussed changing City Election dates to the November of each even year. It was the consensus that the City Election dates should stay the same and no changes should be made.

INFORMATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS

None

CITIZEN INPUT

The following citizens addressed the Council:

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

ADJOURNMENT

Kustuch, Rehmus:

Resolved; that the meeting be adjourned.

Motion Carried

The meeting adjourned at 8:28 P.M.

Russell Tanner
Mayor

Sarah Wilcox
City Clerk
