

CITY OF FREEPORT, ILLINOIS
MONDAY EVENING
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 1, 2005 AT 7:00PM
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

QUORUM

At 7:0pm, a quorum being present, Mayor Gaulrapp called the meeting to order.

RECORD

Present were Aldermen Varner, Clark, Boldt, O'Neill, Wright, Klemm, and Bender.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

At this time, the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Alderman Varner.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Alderswoman O'Neill moved, seconded by Alderswoman Bender to approve the agenda. The motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Journal of the Minutes of the special meeting held on July 18, 2005 was presented for approval. Alderswoman Bender moved, seconded by Alderman Varner to approve the minutes. The motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval to Receive and Place on File:

- A. Approval to Receive and Place on File:
 - 1. Community Development Cash Receipts for July 2005
 - 2. Community Development Building Permits for July 2005
 - 3. Treasurer's Monthly Investment Report for period ending June 30, 2005
 - 4. Treasurer's Report for period ending June 30, 2005
- B. Approval of Water & Sewer Disbursements for July 2005 - \$835,962.52
- C. Approval of Bills Payable for July 2005-\$731,427.80
- D. Approval of Payroll for period ending July 29, 2005 - \$327,060.71

Alderswoman Bender moved, seconded by Alderman Klemm for approval of the consent agenda. The motion carried.

2nd READING

ORDINANCE #2005-38

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 460 (OPEARTION GENERALLY) SECTION 460.03 YIELD INTERSECTIONS OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF FREEPORT, ILLINOIS TO ADD HARVEY AT HARRISON

This ordinance was laid over from the meeting of July 18, 2005, when it was moved by Alderswoman O'Neill, seconded by Alderman Wright for approval. On the roll call of yeas and nays, Aldermen Varner, Clark, Boldt, O'Neill, Wright, Klemm, and Bender voted yea.

2nd READING

ORDINANCE #2005-39

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 612 (ANIMALS) OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF FREEPORT

This ordinance was laid over from the meeting of July 18, 2005, when it was moved by Alderwoman O'Neill, seconded by Alderman Wright for approval. On the roll call of yeas and nays, Aldermen Varner, Clark, Boldt, O'Neill, Wright, Klemm, and Bender voted yea.

2nd READING

ORDINANCE #2005-40

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 460 (OPERATION GENERALLY), SECTION 460.04, SPEED LIMITATIONS, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF FREEPORT, ILLINOIS

This ordinance was laid over from the meeting of July 18, 2005, when it was moved by Alderwoman O'Neill, seconded by Alderman Klemm. On the roll call of yeas and nays, Aldermen Varner, O'Neill, Klemm, and Bender voted yea. Aldermen Clark, Boldt, and Wright voted nay. There were four yeas and three nays. The chair then voted yea. The ordinance was approved.

2nd READING

ORDINANCE #2005-41

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 290 (COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS) OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF FREEPORT, ILLINOIS

This ordinance was laid over from the meeting of July 18, 2005, when it was moved by Alderman Boldt, seconded by Alderwoman Bender. On the roll call of yeas and nays, Aldermen Varner, Boldt, and Klemm, and Bender voted yea. Aldermen Clark, O'Neill, and Wright, voted nay. There were four yeas and three nays. The chair then voted yea. The ordinance was approved.

APPOINTMENT

Effective immediately, Mayor Gaulrapp hereby appoints Dennis Endress as an Alderman for the 5th Ward for the City of Freeport. Mr. Endress will fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Shelly Griswold.

Alderwoman Bender moved, seconded by Alderwoman O'Neill to accept this appointment. On the roll call of yeas and nays, Aldermen Varner, Clark, Boldt, O'Neill, Wright, Klemm, and Bender voted yea. The motion carried. Mr. Endress was then sworn in.

APPOINTMENT

Effective immediately, Mayor Gaulrapp hereby appoints Vicki Toepfer as an Alderman for the 4th Ward for the City of Freeport. Ms. Toepfer will fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Mike Clark.

Alderman Varner moved, seconded by Alderwoman Bender to accept this appointment. On the roll call of yeas and nays, Aldermen Varner, Clark, Endress, Boldt, O'Neill, Wright, Klemm, and Bender voted yea. The motion carried. Ms. Toepfer was then sworn in.

APPOINTMENT

Effective immediately, Mayor Gaulrapp, hereby appoints Gary Erdmier to the Airport Commission. Mr. Erdmier will replace Daniel Packard who has resigned. This appointment shall be effective until November 30, 2008.

Alderman Klemm moved, seconded by Alderman Varner to accept this appointment. On the roll call of yeas and nays, Aldermen Varner, Toepfer, Endress, Boldt, O'Neill, Wright, Klemm, and Bender voted yea. The motion carried.

APPOINTMENTS

The Executive Committee held a meeting on August 1, 2005 to discuss committee appointments. The committee approved the following committee appointments:

Community Development

Tom Klemm, Chair
Robert Varner, Vice Chair
Dennis Endress
Vicki Toepfer

Public Works

Linda O'Neill, Chair
Dean Wright, Vice Chair
Robert Varner
Shawn Boldt

Public Safety

Nickee Bender, Chair
Dennis Endress, Vice Chair
Dean Wright
Linda O'Neill

Finance

Shawn Boldt, Chair
Vicki Toepfer, Vice Chair
Tom Klemm
Nickee Bender

1st READING

ORDINANCE #2005-42

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 240 (POLICE DEPARTMENT) OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF FREEPORT, ILLINOIS

Alderman Klemm stated that committee held a meeting. The committee voted unanimously to approve this ordinance and Alderman Klemm so moved, seconded by Alderwoman Bender. This ordinance was automatically laid over to the next regular meeting.

RESOLUTION #R-2005-44

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES AND LAND ACQUISITION SERVICES FOR ALBERTUS AIRPORT GRANT FROM IDOT

WHEREAS, the City of Freeport, Albertus Airport, was selected as part of the State/Local Airport Improvement Program; and

WHEREAS, the Airport Participation Agreement with IDOT requires the City enter into a contract approved by IDOT or the FAA in connection with this Project, using a consulting engineer who is prequalified in accordance with IDOT procedures.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FREEPORT, ILLINOIS that the Mayor of the City of Freeport is hereby authorized and directed to sign, execute and seek IDOT approval on behalf of the City of Freeport, the attached

“Agreement for Architectural, Engineering, and Planning Services for Airports” with CRAWFORD, MURPHY & TILLY, INC.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution is expressly adopted pursuant to the Home Rule authority of the City of Freeport under Section 6(a) of Article VII of the Illinois constitution of 1970; and all Resolutions or motions in conflict with this Resolution are repealed insofar as they conflict.

There was leave granted to hear from Community Development Director, Shelly Griswold who gave a brief explanation of the grant. Alderman Varner moved, seconded by Alderman Boldt to adopt this resolution. On the roll call of yeas and nays, Aldermen Varner, Toepfer, Endress, Boldt, O'Neill, Wright, Klemm, and Bender voted yea. The resolution was adopted.

RESOLUTION #R-2005-47

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE FINAL PLAT FOR COUNTRYSIDE ESTATES SUBDIVISION PLAT 13

WHEREAS, Section 5/11-15-1 of the Illinois Municipal Code (65 ILCS 5/11-15-1), authorizes a city to enact an ordinance mandating that the city council approve all plats of subdivisions to be located inside city's corporate boundaries or within a one-and-a-half mile area extending from said corporate boundaries provided that the city has also enacted a Subdivision ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the City of Freeport has enacted such a Subdivision Ordinance, known as Chapter 1224 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Freeport; and

WHEREAS, Section 1224.05(d)(6) of Chapter 1224 of the Freeport Codified Ordinances provides that all Subdivision plats "shall be submitted to the City Council for approval and for acceptance of all streets, alleys, ways, easements, parks or other areas preserved for, or dedicated to, the public, by resolution"; and

WHEREAS, on June 20, 2005, this City Council approved the preliminary plat for Countryside Estates Subdivision, located within the city limits of the City of Freeport, Illinois; and

WHEREAS, the final plat for said Countryside Estates Subdivision Plat 13, a copy of which is attached hereto as "Exhibit A", and made a part hereof, substantially conforms to the preliminary plat as approved; and

WHEREAS, at a special meeting held July 28, 2005, and subsequent to a public hearing, the Freeport Planning Commission unanimously recommended that the City Council approve the final plat for Countryside Estates Subdivision Plat 13.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FREEPORT, ILLINOIS that the Final Plat of Countryside Estates Subdivision Plat 13 as set forth in Exhibit A, is hereby approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk is hereby directed to attach a copy of this Resolution to a copy of the plat, for the purpose of recording the plat by the subdivider with the County Recorder; and upon said recording of the plat, the subdivider shall file a certified, reproducible copy of the plat with the Community Development Office.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution is expressly adopted pursuant to the Home Rule Powers of the City of Freeport under Section 6 of Article VII of the Illinois Constitution of 1970; and all Resolutions or parts of motions in conflict with this Resolution are repealed insofar as they conflict.

Alderman Varner, Chair, stated that the committee held a meeting on August 1, 2005. The committee voted unanimously to adopt this resolution and Alderman Varner so moved, seconded by Alderwoman Bender. On the roll call of yeas and nays, Aldermen Varner, Toepfer, Endress, Boldt, O'Neill, Wright, Klemm, and Bender voted yea. The resolution was adopted.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Community Development Director, Shelly Griswold announced that the Historic Preservation Commission would be hosting a program regarding Façade Improvement Guidelines on August 10, 2005 at 6:00 p.m. She also stated that there would be a used tire drop-off site at the Stephenson County Fairgrounds on September 13th and 14th.

Police Chief, Jerry Whitmore announced that “National Night Out” is on August 2, 2005. There will be a block party to show support for the local anti-crime programs.

MAYOR’S REPORT

- News conference with health care affiliates
- Meeting with Barack Obama to lobby for monies
- Welcomed new council members

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jim Dawson voiced his opinion on the Sewer rate increases. He stated that he was against the proposed increase and defended small business owners.

Tom Teich announced that there would be a Special Olympics Softball Tournament on Wednesday, August 3, 2005 at Read Park.

Marianne Garvens announced that the NAACP would be hosting workshops for individuals interested in working in the construction field. It is sponsored by the Illinois Department of Transportation.

As there was no other business to be transacted by the City Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

LATACIA M. ISHMON, CMC