

**MINUTES OF REGULAR SESSION
HIGHLAND CITY COUNCIL
MONDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2011**

Mayor Michaelis called the Regular Session to order at 7:00pm. Council members Schwarz, Bardill, Bellm and Nicolaides were present. Others in attendance were City Manager Mark Latham, City Attorney Harold Belsheim; Directors Cook, Gillespie, Korte and Schoeck; Chief Bell, Supervisor Limestall; City Staff: Andrea Enright and Steve Ferguson; EMS Crosby and Rusteberg; Treasurer Foehner, Deputy City Clerk Hediger, City Clerk Bellm; 1 citizen and 1 member of the news media.

MINUTES

Councilman Bardill made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 30, 2011 Special Session as attached; seconded by Councilwoman Bellm. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Bardill, Bellm and Nicolaides voted aye, none nay. Motion carried.

Councilwoman Bellm made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 5, 2011 Regular Session as attached; seconded by Councilman Bardill. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Bardill and Bellm voted aye, none nay. Councilman Nicolaides abstained. Motion carried.

PUBLIC FORUM

Citizens' Requests and Comments:

William Malina, of New Baden, President of Lebanon Cedar Cruisers, was present to request permission for the Lebanon Cedar Cruisers, a walking group to hold their annual Volkswalk in Highland on Saturday, May 12, 2012. Mr. Malina stated we will walk from 8:30am – 1:00pm, and eat lunch at different places within the community. We walk in two different loops. About ninety-percent of the group is from other communities. The group would like to use the pavilion on the Square for a meeting area. Councilman Bardill made a motion to approve the Lebanon Cedar Cruisers' request to use the Square and sidewalks around Highland on Saturday, May 12, 2012 as requested; seconded by Councilwoman Bellm. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Bardill, Bellm and Nicolaides voted aye, none nay. Motion carried.

Requests of Council:

None presented.

Staff Reports:

City Manager Latham informed the council that the Illinois Municipal Utilities Agency, in association with IMEA, will hold a free seminar on Thursday, January 12, 2012, in Collinsville, to educate officials on Electric Customer Choice legislation. Some residents received postcards on their right to chose electric providers. While that does not apply to residents within the City of Highland; however, it is important that elected officials are able to explain it.

NEW BUSINESS

Approve Schedule of City Council Meeting Dates for 2012 – Councilwoman Bellm made a motion to approve schedule of city council meeting dates for 2012 as attached; seconded by Councilman Bardill. All council members voted aye, none nay. Motion carried.

Bill #11-123/ORDINANCE for Levy, Assessment and Collection of Taxes – Councilman Bardill made a motion to approve Bill #11-123/Ordinance #2504 for levy, assessment and collection of 2011 taxes payable in 2012 as attached; seconded by Councilwoman Bellm. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Bardill, Bellm and Nicolaides voted aye, none nay. Motion carried.

Councilman Bardill made a motion to table Items C, D, & E on the agenda, Bills #11-124 through Bill #11-126, for scheduling purposes; seconded by Councilwoman Bellm. All council members voted aye, none nay. Motion carried.

Bill #11-127/ORDINANCE Amending Ordinance No. 2480, Setting Rates for the Delivery of RF Video and IPTV Services to Residential Customers – Councilwoman Bellm made a motion to approve Bill #11-127/Ordinance #2505 amending Ordinance No. 2480, setting rates for the delivery of RF Video and IPTV services to residential customers as attached; seconded by Councilman Bardill. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Bardill, Bellm and Nicolaides voted aye, none nay. Motion carried.

Bill #11-128/ORDINANCE Setting Rates for the Delivery of RF Video and IPTV Services to Commercial Customers – Councilman Bardill made a motion to approve Bill #11-128/Ordinance #2506 setting rates for the delivery of RF Video and IPTV Services to commercial customers as attached; seconded by Councilwoman Bellm. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Bardill, Bellm and Nicolaides voted aye, none nay. Motion carried.

Bill #11-129/RESOLUTION Approving HBO Service Affiliation Agreement – Councilwoman Bellm made a motion to approve Bill #11-129/Resolution #11-12-2009 approving HBO Service Affiliation Agreement as attached; seconded by Councilman Bardill. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Bardill, Bellm and Nicolaides voted aye, none nay. Motion carried.

Bill #11-130/RESOLUTION Approving Cinemax Service Affiliation Agreement – Councilman Bardill made a motion to approve Bill #11-130/Resolution #11-12-2010 approving Cinemax Service Affiliation Agreement as attached; seconded by Councilwoman Bellm. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Bardill, Bellm and Nicolaides voted aye, none nay. Motion carried.

Bill #11-131/RESOLUTION Appropriating Funds for 2012 MFT Maintenance Materials – Councilwoman Bellm made a motion to approve Bill #11-131/Resolution #11-12-2011 appropriating funds for 2012 MFT Maintenance Materials; seconded by Councilman Bardill. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Bardill, Bellm and Nicolaides voted aye, none nay. Motion carried.

Bill #11-132/RESOLUTION Approving Contract for Diesel Fuel and Distillate Supplies and Services with Huels Oil Company, Inc. – Councilman Bardill made a motion to approve Bill #11-132/Resolution #11-12-2012 approving contract for diesel fuel and distillate supplies and services from Huels Oil Company, Inc. as attached; seconded by Councilwoman Bellm. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Bardill, Bellm and Nicolaides voted aye, none nay. Motion carried.

Award Bid #E-02-11 for the Generator Relocation Project – Councilwoman Bellm made a motion to Award Bid #E-02-11 for the Generator Relocation Project to Korte & Luitjohan Contractors,

Inc. in the amount of \$1,500,000.00 as attached; seconded by Councilman Bardill. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Bardill, Bellm and Nicolaides voted aye, none nay. Motion carried.

Approve NOML Bid #EMS-08-11 for the Purchase of One Type I Medium Duty Ambulance – Councilman Bardill made a motion to approve NOML Bid #EMS-08-11 for the purchase of one Type I Medium Duty Ambulance as attached; seconded by Councilwoman Bellm. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Bardill, Bellm and Nicolaides voted aye, none nay. Motion carried.

REPORTS

Approve Warrant #863 – Councilwoman Bellm made a motion to approve Warrant #863 as attached; seconded by Councilman Bardill. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Bardill, and Bellm voted aye, none nay. Councilman Nicolaides abstained. Motion carried.

Councilwoman Bellm made a motion to temporarily adjourn, to conduct an Executive Session pursuant to the Illinois Open Meetings Act under Section 2(c)(21) for discussion of executive session minutes, 2(c)(2) to discuss collective negotiating matters, and 2(c)(1) for discussion of personnel matters ; seconded Councilman Bardill. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Bardill, Bellm and Nicolaides voted aye, none nay. Motion carried. Meeting was temporarily adjourned at 7:16pm.

Mayor Michaelis reconvened the Regular Session at 8:16pm. Council members Schwarz, Bardill, Bellm and Nicolaides were present.

Mayor Michaelis stated that anything discussed in Executive Session will not be acted upon tonight.

Councilwoman Bellm made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Councilman Bardill. All council members voted aye, none nay. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 8:16pm.

Joseph Michaelis, Mayor

Barbara Bellm, City Clerk