

**MINUTES OF REGULAR SESSION
HIGHLAND CITY COUNCIL
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2015**

City Clerk Bellm called the Regular Session to order at 7:00pm. Council members Schwarz, Frey, Bellm and Nicolaides were present. Mayor Michaelis was absent. Others in attendance were City Manager Mark Latham, City Attorney John Long; Directors Cook, Gillespie, Imming, Peck, Rosen and Schoeck; Police Chief Bell, Fire Chief Bloemker, EMS Captain Crosby, Building & Code Official Limestall, Lt. Conrad, Library Director Kim, Treasurer Foehner, Deputy City Clerk Hediger, City Clerk Bellm, 3 citizens, and one member of the news media.

ELECTION OF MAYOR PRO TEM

City Clerk Barbara Bellm asked for a motion to elect one councilperson to serve as mayor pro tem during the temporary absence of Mayor Michaelis. The mayor pro tem shall perform the duties and possess all the rights and powers of the mayor and shall vote in his/her capacity as councilperson only. Councilman Schwarz made a motion to elect Councilman Frey as mayor pro tem during the temporary absence of Mayor Michaelis; seconded by Councilwoman Bellm. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Frey, Bellm, and Nicolaides voted aye, none nay. Motion carried.

MINUTES

Councilwoman Bellm made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 19, 2015 Regular Session as attached; seconded by Councilman Schwarz. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Bellm, Nicolaides and Frey voted aye, none nay. Motion carried.

PUBLIC FORUM

Citizens' Requests and Comments:

No requests or comments.

Requests of Council:

No requests or comments made by the councilmembers.

Staff Reports:

City Manager Latham reported we got some good news, last week, in finding out that Madison County will pay for the portion, that they city would normally pay, of the costs on the turn lanes at Troxler & State Route 143 and at Sportsman Road. This equates to \$143,000.

NEW BUSINESS

Bill #15-10/RESOLUTION Authorizing the Mayor pro tem to Apply for Park Commission Funds from Madison County through the Park Enhancement Program (PEP) – Councilman Schwarz made a motion to approve Bill #15-10/Resolution #15-02-2294 authorizing the Mayor pro tem to apply for park commission funds from Madison County through the Park Enhancement Program (PEP) as attached; seconded by Councilwoman Bellm. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Bellm, Nicolaides and Frey voted aye, none nay. Motion carried.

Bill #15-11/ORDINANCE Declaring Two City-Owned Vehicles as Surplus Property and Authorizing Their Sale – Councilwoman Bellm made a motion to approve Bill #15-11/Ordinance #2670 declaring two city-owned vehicles, (1) 2005 Nissan Maxima and (1) 2008 Chevrolet Impala, as surplus property and authorizing their sale as attached; seconded by Councilman Schwarz. Councilman Schwarz inquired the county just came and gave these to us. Chief Bell explained we seized these vehicles during arrest that our department made. These vehicles were used in a crime and we seized them at the arrest. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Bellm, Nicolaides and Frey voted aye, none nay. Motion carried.

Bill #15-12/ORDINANCE Declaring One City-Owned Vehicle as Surplus Property and Authorizing Its Sale – Councilman Schwarz made a motion to approve Bill #15-12/Ordinance #2671 declaring one city-owned vehicle, a 2000 Chevrolet Impala as surplus property and authorizing its sale as attached; seconded by Councilwoman Bellm. Councilman Schwarz asked are we going to replace this vehicle. Where is it currently used? City Manager Latham explained we got this one from the county, years ago, for one dollar. We have spent more money to keep it in use than we should have. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Bellm, Nicolaides and Frey voted aye, none nay. Motion carried.

REPORTS

Approve Warrant #975 – Councilwoman Bellm made a motion to approve Warrant #975 as attached; seconded by Councilman Schwarz. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Bellm, Nicolaides and Frey voted aye, none nay. Motion carried.

Councilwoman Bellm made a motion to temporarily adjourn this regular session to enter into executive session under the Illinois Open Meetings Act under 2(c)(21) to discuss approval of executive session minutes, 2(c)(1) to discuss collective negotiating matters, and 2(c)(5) to discuss a personnel matter; seconded by Councilman Schwarz. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Bellm, Nicolaides and Frey voted aye, none nay. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:10pm.

Mayor pro tem Frey reconvened the Regular Session at 8:01pm. Council members Schwarz, Bellm, Nicolaides and Frey were present. Mayor Michaelis was absent. Also present were City Manager Latham, City Attorney Long, Directors Cook and Schoeck, EMS Captain Crosby, Deputy City Clerk Hediger and City Clerk Bellm.

NEW BUSINESS (Continued)

Bill #15-13/RESOLUTION Approving a Collective Bargaining Agreement with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 309, for a Two-Year Period Beginning on May 1, 2014, & Ending on April 30, 2016 – Councilman Schwarz made a motion to approve Bill #15-13/Resolution #15-02-2295 approving a collective bargaining agreement with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 309, for a two-year period beginning on May 1, 2014, & ending on April 30, 2016 as attached; seconded by Councilwoman Bellm. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Bellm, Nicolaides and Frey voted aye, none nay. Motion carried.

Councilman Schwarz made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Councilwoman Bellm. All council members voted aye, none nay. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 8:03pm.

Rick J. Frey, Mayor *pro tem*

Barbara Bellm, City Clerk