

**MINUTES OF REGULAR SESSION
HIGHLAND CITY COUNCIL
MONDAY, JUNE 4, 2012**

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 Bruckert, Directors Gillespie, Korte, Rosen, and Schoeck; Police Sergeant Conrad, Building and Code Supervisor Limestall, Light & Power Supervisor Stram, Fire Chief Bloemker, Treasurer Foehner, Deputy City Clerk Hediger, City Clerk Bellm and City Staff Tracey Robinson; Latzer Library Director Kim, Library Board Members: LeeAnn Landmann, Cathy Boulanger, Sharon Rinderer, Ron Coleman, and Nancy Genteman; Kirchenfest Chairpersons Rick Ringwald and Steve Kessman; Steve Kyle and Jason Schreckenber, of Oates Associates; and, two members of the news media.

MINUTES

Councilman Bardill made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 21, 2012 Regular Session as attached; seconded by Councilwoman Bellm. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Bardill, Bellm and Nicolaides voted aye, none nay. Motion carried.

PUBLIC FORUM

Citizens' Requests and Comments:

2012 Kirchenfest Request – Rick Ringwald, 2012 Kirchenfest Chairperson, joined by Steve Kessmann, Games Chairman, asked for the city's support of the 2012 event. The city has been a great supporter of the event over the years. We are here to ask for that same support this year. While it is a Catholic event, it is a community event, which brings in tourism. Mayor Michaelis noted part of this request is to make Lemon Street a one-way street on Sunday, August 26 from 10:00am – 6:00pm. Mr. Ringwald explained want to try something different for the chicken dinner carryouts. Councilwoman Bellm made a motion to approve the 2012 Kirchenfest request as attached; seconded by Councilman Bardill. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Bardill, Bellm and Nicolaides voted aye, none nay. Motion carried.

Requests and Comments of Council:

None presented.

Staff Reports:

None presented.

NEW BUSINESS

Bill #12-80/ORDINANCE Authorizing Lease of Vacant Tract of City-Owned Land – Councilman Bardill made a motion to approve Bill #12-80/Ordinance #2534 authorizing lease of a vacant track of city-owned land as attached; seconded by Councilwoman Bellm. Councilman Schwarz asked from the police department’s prospective are there any concerns regarding traffic and pedestrian safety. Supervisor Limestall addressed the council, reporting the concerns of the police department and city staff were discussed with the owner. They are not going to use the driveway on this property for ingress/egress, they will only use the driveway located on the property of the proposed business. Councilman Schwarz clarified the only question now is, are we willing to lease the land for parking. Supervisor Limestall concurred. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Bardill, Bellm and Nicolaides voted aye, none nay. Motion carried.

Bill #12-81/ORDINANCE Declaring Electric Transformers as Surplus Property and Allowing their Sale - Councilwoman Bellm made a motion to approve Bill #12-81/Ordinance #2535 declaring electric transformers as surplus property and allowing their sale as attached; seconded by Councilman Bardill. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Bardill, Bellm and Nicolaides voted aye, none nay. Motion carried.

Bill #12-82/RESOLUTION Determining Prevailing Rate of Wages – Councilman Bardill made a motion to approve Bill #12-82/Resolution #12-06-2068 determining prevailing rate of wages as attached; seconded by Councilwoman Bellm. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Bardill, Bellm and Nicolaides voted aye, none nay. Motion carried.

Bill #12-83/RESOLUTION Accepting Quitclaim Deed from HCUSD #5 for Construction of a Bike Trail and Reconfiguration of a Portion of Park Hill Drive – Councilwoman Bellm made a motion to approve Bill #12-83/Resolution #12-06-2069 accepting Quitclaim Deed from HCUSD #5 for construction of a bike trail and reconfiguration of a portion of Park Hill Drive as attached; seconded by Councilman Bardill. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Bardill, Bellm and Nicolaides voted aye, none nay. Motion carried.

Bill #12-84/RESOLUTION Accepting Permanent Trail Easement Deed and Permanent Street Right-of-Way Easement Deed from the Helvetia Sharpshooters’ Society – Councilman Bardill made a motion to approve Bill #12-84/Resolution #12-06-2070 accepting Permanent Trail Easement Deed and Permanent Street Right-of-Way Easement Deed from the Helvetia Sharpshooters’ Society as attached; seconded by Councilwoman Bellm. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Bardill, Bellm and Nicolaides voted aye, none nay. Motion carried.

Bill #12-85/RESOLUTION Approving Professional Services Agreement with Taylor Studios, Inc. for Interpretive Design and Production for Cemetery Welcome Center and Walking Tour – Councilwoman Bellm made a motion to approve Bill #12-85/Resolution #12-06-2071 approving Professional Services Agreement with Taylor Studios, Inc. for interpretive design and production of Cemetery Welcome Center and Walking Tour as attached; seconded by Councilman Bardill. Councilman Schwarz stated he feels the cemetery is an odd place to have a Welcome Center. City Manager Latham explained it is more of an information place, which would provide information to any one looking to locate someone. Councilman Schwarz expressed the amount seems excessive. Could we not build it cheaper ourselves or do some of the work? City Manager Latham responded I am not sure we could do all this. Councilman Bardill inquired if we could provide the information in less than seven structures. Councilwoman Bellm stated I have been following our work with Taylor Studios all along. Some of this cost includes promotional material. This group does lovely work that would provide some consistency around town. I know this fall, we will have people coming to town; they all want to visit the cemetery to find relatives. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz and Bardill voted nay, Bellm and Nicolaides voted aye. Mayor Michaelis voted aye. Motion carried.

Bill #12-86/RESOLUTION Ratifying and Approving Joinder for Highland Communication Services with Respect to Master Affiliation Agreement Between HSN LP on One Side and NTTC, LLC on the Other Side, and Approving Joinder with Respect to Amendment to Master Affiliation Agreement Between HSNi, LLC on One Side, and NTTC, LLC, on the Other Side - Councilman Bardill made a motion to approve Bill #12-86/Resolution #12-06-2072 ratifying and approving joinder for Highland Communication Services with respect to Master Affiliation Agreement between HSN LP on one side and NTTC, LLC on the other side, and approving joinder with respect to amendment to Master Affiliation Agreement between HSNi, LLC on one side, and NTTC, LLC, on the other side as attached; seconded by Councilwoman Bellm. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Bardill, Bellm and Nicolaides voted aye, none nay. Motion carried.

REPORTS

Approve Warrant #879– Councilwoman Bellm made a motion to approve Warrant #879 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) discussion of executive session minutes and Section 2(c)(11) for discussion of probable litigation; seconded Councilman Bardill. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Bardill, Bellm and Nicolaides voted aye, none nay. Motion carried. Meeting temporarily adjourned at 7:15pm.

Mayor Michaelis reconvened the Regular Session at 7:52pm. Council members Schwarz, Bardill, Bellm and Nicolaides were present. Also present were City Attorney Terry Bruckert, City Manager Latham, Director Gillespie, Latzer Library Director Angela Kim; Library Board Members: Mary Weis, Cathy Boulanger, Sharon Rinderer, Ron Coleman, and Nancy Genteman; Steve Kyle and Jason Schreckenber, of Oates Associates; Deputy City Clerk Hediger, and City Clerk Bellm.

Mayor Michaelis stated nothing discussed in Executive Session would 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 7:52pm.

Joseph Michaelis, Mayor

Barbara Bellm, City Clerk