

**MINUTES OF REGULAR SESSION
HIGHLAND CITY COUNCIL
MONDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2016**

Mayor Michaelis called the Regular Session to order at 7:00pm. Council members Schwarz, Frey, Bellm and Nicolaides were present. Others in attendance were City Manager Mark Latham, City Attorney John Long; Assistant City Manager Peck, Directors Bell, Cook, Korte, Imming and Rosen; Fire Chief Bloemker, EMS Chief Wilson, Deputy City Clerk Hediger, City Clerk Bellm; 5 citizens and one member of the news media.

MINUTES

Councilman Schwarz made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 19, 2016 Regular Session as attached; seconded by Councilwoman Bellm. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Frey, Bellm and Nicolaides voted aye, none nay. Motion carried.

PUBLIC FORUM

Citizens' Requests and Comments:

Veterans' Day Parade and Square Use Request – Lenny Gall, Kenny Kapp and Joe Kapp, of Moose Lodge #2479, V.F.W. Post #5694 and American Legion Post #439, requested permission to hold the Veterans' Day Parade, on Sunday, November 13, 2016. The parade will start at 2:00pm, starting at the intersection of Olive and Main, then proceeding west on Main Street to the Square. Councilwoman Bellm made a motion to grant permission for the V.F.W., American Legion and Moose Lodge to hold a Veterans' Day Parade and use of the Square for presentations on Sunday, November 13, 2016 as requested; seconded by Councilman Schwarz. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Frey, Bellm and Nicolaides voted aye, none nay. Motion carried. Mr. Gall stated the parade is being held in conjunction with National Veterans' Week, which is November 6 – 12, 2016. We would asked that Mayor Michaelis read and present a proclamation for this at the ceremony following the parade. Mayor Michaelis stated he would be there.

Chamber of Commerce 2016 Lighted Christmas Parade Request – Nancie Zobrist, Executive Director of Highland Chamber of Commerce, requested permission to host the Lighted Christmas Parade and the downtown lighting ceremony on Friday, November 25, 2016. The parade will begin at 6:30pm. We will hold a lighting ceremony after the parade on the Square. We are requesting use of the Square facilities, assistance with traffic control from the police department for the event, and electrical staff available for any lighting issues that may arise. Councilman Schwarz made a motion to approve the street closures and assistance for the Lighted Christmas Parade and Lighting Ceremony on Friday, November 25, 2016 as attached; seconded by Councilwoman Bellm. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Frey, Bellm and Nicolaides voted aye, none nay. Motion carried.

Highland News Leader – 2016 Trick-or-Treat Trail Request – Adam MacDonald, reporter for the News Leader, requested approval for the Highland News Leader to host the Trick-or-Treat Trail per the written request submitted and as it was in years past. Councilwoman Bellm made a motion to approve the request of the Highland News Leader to hold the Trick-or-Treat Trail on Friday, October 28, 2016, 2:00–

6:00pm, with a rain date of October 29, 2016, 10:00am – 2:00pm, as attached; seconded by Councilman Schwarz. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Frey, Bellm, and Nicolaides voted aye, none nay. Motion carried.

Requests of Council:

Councilman Frey inquired are we making progress at getting HBO Channels back on. Those channels were not on this afternoon. Angela reported all channels have been and should be up and running since the last equipment was replace on September 1. Councilman Frey reported the HD HBO Channels were available at my home, but the regular channels are not. Director Imming responded we will have to check that out. It may be the toggle on your remote to make sure that you are looking for the SD versus HD channels. We have had no channel outages reported. So, it is something I will have to talk to staff about and look into in the morning.

Councilman Frey recalled that Councilman Schwarz brought up, about a year ago, the costs of permits for small home remodel jobs. Have we done anything with revising those costs? Director Lisa Peck reported the permit fees for additions were cut into half; remodel permit costs were cut by a fourth of the previous cost. Councilman Schwarz asked if the state inspection is available as an option. Director Peck stated, yes, it is in the information; however, we have not had anyone take the option of waiting.

Staff Reports:

City Manager Latham reported contractors are on site for the Sharpshooters' Trail construction. They are staking and surveying at this time.

City Manager Latham reported we have been looking at solutions to maintain the surface of Broadway, from Helvetia to Iberg, to allow for time to until funding is available for improvements to the roadway and intersection of Iberg Road and Veterans' Memorial Parkway. Director Gillespie has found a cost effective resurfacing measure to help hold it together. We are going to do a chip and seal process where the rock is rolled into the surface, so there is not the loose gravel like an oil and chip surface. This will be done Wednesday, starting about 8:30 am on Wednesday. We feel this is a cost effective surface maintenance to get us to 2020 when federal funding will be available.

Councilman Frey asked if the Sharpshooters Trail will have the curbs along them, like the nice other trails. City Manager Latham replied yes. He added that, if you recall we originally approved funding of \$1,000,000 for the trail. The bid cost came out just under \$900,000. With multiple sources of grant funding, it is not costing the city anything.

NEW BUSINESS

Bill #16-89/RESOLUTION Approving Amendment to Funding Agreement with the Illinois Department of Transportation for the Shared Use Path commonly known as the Sharpshooter's Trail – Councilman Schwarz made a motion to approve Bill #16-89/Resolution #16-10-2413 approving amendment to funding agreement with the Illinois Department of Transportation for the Shared Use Path commonly known as the Sharpshooter's Trail as attached; seconded by Councilwoman Bellm. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Frey, Bellm and Nicolaides voted aye, none nay. Motion carried.

Bill #16-90/RESOLUTION Approving Application to Madison County Community Development for Infrastructure Loan for Capital Improvements in the Korte Recreation Center, Namely Spinning Bicycles – Councilwoman Bellm made a motion to approve Bill #16-90/Resolution #16-10-2414 approving application to Madison County Community Development for Infrastructure Loan for capital improvements in the Korte Recreation Center, namely spinning bicycles as attached; seconded by Councilman Schwarz. Councilman Schwarz inquired this is a no-interest loan and the money we get from

the grant money from Madison County will be used to pay off the loan. Director Rosen explained the grant money we get from the county is to be used for playground equipment and parks. We are moving funds around in the budget, which will allow us to pay off this loan. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Frey, Bellm and Nicolaides voted aye, none nay. Motion carried.

Bill #16-91/RESOLUTION Approving Amendment #2 to Owner-Engineer Agreement with Hurst-Rosche Engineers, Inc., to Add Hours of Construction Observation of Replacement of Equipment in Existing Water Clarifier Unit – Councilman Schwarz made a motion to approve Bill #16-91/Resolution #16-10-2415 approving Amendment #2 to Owner-Engineer Agreement with Hurst-Rosche Engineers, Inc., to add hours of construction observation of replacement of equipment in existing water clarifier unit, for an amount of \$28,000, as attached; seconded by Councilwoman Bellm. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Frey, Bellm and Nicolaides voted aye, none nay. Motion carried.

Award Bid #E-07-16 for the Troxler Avenue Street Lighting – Councilwoman Bellm made a motion to award Bid #E-07-16 for the Troxler Avenue Street Lighting to Frost Electric Supply, of Collinsville, in the amount of \$51,610.00, as attached; seconded by Councilman Schwarz. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Frey, Bellm and Nicolaides voted aye, none nay. Motion carried.

REPORTS

Approve Warrant #1035 – Councilman Schwarz made a motion to approve Warrant #1035 as attached; seconded by Councilwoman Bellm. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Frey, Bellm and Nicolaides voted aye, none nay. Motion carried.

Councilwoman Bellm made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Councilman Schwarz. All council members voted aye, none nay. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 7:21pm.

Joseph Michaelis, Mayor

Barbara Bellm, City Clerk