

CITY OF FREEPORT, ILLINOIS
MONDAY EVENING
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 20, 2006 AT 7:00PM
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

QUORUM

At 7:00pm, a quorum being present, Mayor Gaulrapp called the meeting to order.

RECORD

Present were Aldermen Threadgill, Toepfer, Endress, Helms, O'Neill, Boldt, Klemm, and Bender.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

At this time, the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Alderwoman Threadgill.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Alderwoman Bender moved, seconded by Alderman Endress to approve the agenda. The motion carried.

PROCLAMATIONS

There were proclamations read for the Highland Community College Men & Women's Basketball Teams.

HONORARY RESOLUTION #R-2006-12

HONORARY RESOLUTION TO RECGONIZE GERALD A. ESTES FOR HIS DEDICATION AND SERVICE TO THE PEOPLE OF FREEPORT AND STEPHENSON COUNTY

WHEREAS, Gerald A. Estes has 43 years of experience as an architect as well as city and regional planning; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Estes served as the Director of Planning for the Partners in Planning Division of the Freeport Area Economic Development Foundation since 1996; and

WHEREAS, some of the major projects Mr. Estes worked on were the Van Buren Bridge restoration, Tutty's Crossing, Jane Addams Trail and the Lincoln-Douglas Debate site; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Estes' passion was for the Freeport Arts Center where he served on the Board for several years and has been instrumental in the relocation of the Arts Center,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FREEPORT, ILLINOIS that we hereby honor Gerald A. Estes for his service to the people of Freeport and Stephenson County and extend our appreciation for all he has done for Freeport and the surrounding area.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Journal of the Minutes of the regular meeting of March 6, 2006, was presented for approval. Alderman Klemm moved, seconded by Alderwoman O'Neill 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 February 2006
2. Community Development Building Permits for February 2006
3. Fire Department Activities Report for February 2006
4. Treasurer's Monthly Investment Report for the period ending February 28, 2006

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- 6. Treasurer's Report for the period ending February 28, 2006
- B. Approval of Water & Sewer Disbursements for March 2006 - \$313,699.93
- C. Approval of Bills Payable for March 2006-\$415,422.05
- D. Approval of Payroll for period ending March 4, 2006- \$364,018.55

Alderwoman Bender moved, seconded by Alderman O'Neill for approval of the consent agenda. The motion carried.

2nd READING ORDINANCE #2006-11

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE, FISCAL YEAR 2006-2007

This ordinance was held over from the meeting of March 6, 2006, when it was moved by Alderman Klemm, seconded by Alderman Endress for approval. Alderman Boldt moved, seconded by Alderwoman Bender to amend the budget to reduce line item 01-00-384 to \$25,000. On the roll call of yeas and nays, Aldermen Toepfer, Helms, O'Neill, Bolt, Klemm, and Bender voted yea. Aldermen Threadgill, Endress, and Klemm voted nay. There were five yeas and three nays. The motion carried. On the roll call of yeas and nays to approve the ordinance, Aldermen Threadgill, Toepfer, Endress, Helms, O'Neill, Boldt, Klemm, and Bender voted yea. The ordinance was approved.

2nd READING ORDINANCE #2006-12

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING ADDITIONAL DISABLE PARKING SPACE REQUIREMENTS AND INCREASING THE FINE FOR VIOLATION OF THE DISABLE PARKING ORDINANCE, AND REPEALING ALL CONTRARY PROVISIONS

This ordinance was held over from the meeting of March 6, 2006, when it was moved by Alderman Endress, seconded by Alderwoman for approval. On the roll call of yeas and nays to approve the ordinance, Aldermen Threadgill, Toepfer, Endress, Helms, O'Neill, Boldt, Klemm, and Bender voted yea. The ordinance was approved.

2nd READING ORDINANCE #2006-13

AN ORDINANCE TO ISSUE A SPECIAL USE PERMIT UNDER THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF FREEPORT

This ordinance was held over from the meeting of March 6, 2006, when it was moved by Alderman Klemm, seconded by Alderman Endress. Alderwoman Toepfer moved, seconded by Alderwoman Bender to change the ending time of races from 9:00 pm to 10:00 pm. On the roll call of yeas and nays to accept the amendment, Aldermen Threadgill, Toepfer, Endress, Helms, O'Neill, Boldt, Klemm, and Bender voted yea. On the roll call of yeas and nays to approve the ordinance as amended, Aldermen Threadgill, Toepfer, Endress, Helms, O'Neill, Boldt, Klemm, and Bender voted yea. The ordinance was approved.

APPOINTMENTS

There was leaving granted to consider the appointments of Linda Buss and Tim Brannick to the Firemen Pension Board in one motion. Alderwoman Bender moved, seconded by Alderman Helms to accept these appointments. On the roll call of yeas and nays, Aldermen Threadgill, Toepfer, Endress, Helms, O'Neill, Boldt, Klemm, and Bender voted yea. The motion carried.

Effective immediately, Mayor Gaulrapp hereby appoints Alma Schulz to the Americans with Disabilities Act Compliance Commission. Ms. Schulz will replace Dr. John Barrett who has resigned this position. Alderwoman O'Neill moved, seconded by Alderwoman Bender to accept this appointment. On the roll call of yeas and nays, Aldermen Threadgill, Toepfer, Endress, Helms, O'Neill, Boldt, Klemm, and Bender voted yea. The motion carried.

Effective immediately, Mayor Gaulrapp hereby appoints Leslie Mastroianni to the Residential Rehabilitation Advisory Board. The term of this appointment will be determined at a meeting of the

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

RESOLUTION #R-2006-13

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF FREEPORT TO TRANSFER ANNUALLY SUFFICIENT AMOUNTS FROM THE FIRE DEPARTMENT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND TO PAY THE REASONABLE EXPENSES OF AMBULANCE SERVICES OFFERED BY THE CITY OF FREEPORT AND TO REPEAL ALL CONTRAY RESOLUTIONS OR MOTIONS

This resolution is to authorize on an annual basis the Finance Director to transfer funds as warranted. The committee held a meeting on March 6, 2006. Alderwoman Bender moved to send this resolution back to committee. The motion failed, due to lack of a second. Alderman Klemm moved to adopt this resolution. Due to lack of a second, the motion failed.

RESOLUTION #R-2006-14

RESOLUTION TO REQUEST TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF STREETS FOR ANNUAL MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

The committee held a meeting on March 6, 2006. The committee voted unanimously to adopt this resolution and Alderman Bender so moved, seconded by Alderman Boldt. On the roll call of yeas and nays, Aldermen Threadgill, Toepfer, Endress, Helms, O'Neill, Boldt, Klemm, and Bender voted yea. The resolution was adopted.

RESOLUTION #R-2006-15

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE AMENDMENT OF LOAN TO FREEPORT AREA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION, AND TO REPEAL ALL CONTRARY RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS

MAYOR'S REPORT

The mayor reported the different issues in which he has been involved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Blair Senneff, spoke in opposition to the resolution that allows the transfer of the Fire Department Capital Improvement funds to the general fund to cover expenses related to the Fire Department training and pay increases.

As there was no other business to be transacted by the City Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

LATACIA M. ISHMON, CMC