



City Council

City Council Chambers ♦ 230 West Stephenson Street ♦ Freeport, IL 61032

MINUTES REGULAR MEETING Monday, July 18, 2011

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Freeport, Illinois, City Council was called to order by Mayor George Gaulrapp with a quorum being present at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, July 18, 2011, in Council Chambers.

ROLL CALL

Present on roll call were council members Tom Klemm, Ronnie Bush, Jennie DeVine, Dennis Endress, Scott Helms, Michael Koester, and Andrew Crutchfield (7). Alderperson Shawn Boldt was absent. Corporation Counsel Sarah Griffin was present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Alderperson DeVine. The National Anthem was sung by Taylor Slothower.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Alderperson Endress moved for approval of the agenda, seconded by Alderperson Klemm. Motion prevailed by voice vote without dissent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Alderperson Endress moved for approval of the minutes of the meeting held on July 5, 2011, seconded by Alderperson Koester. Motion prevailed by voice vote without dissent.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – AGENDA ITEMS

Terry Brashaw, 1116 S. Steward, Freeport, Illinois, spoke as president of the International Association of Firefighters (IAFF) Local No. 441 stating that the agreement was ratified by the union on July 5, 2011. It is a multiple year contract which is a benefit to the city because it is a time consuming process taking many people away from their everyday job responsibilities. After long and grueling negotiation process both parties came to an agreement on the terms which will be presented to council later this evening through a resolution.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

The following statement was read into the record by the City Clerk: City of Freeport will hold public hearings at 6:00 pm, on Monday July 18, 2011 in the City of Freeport Council Chambers, 2nd Floor at 230 W. Stephenson Street, Freeport Illinois, to review the City's activities and performance under ARRA – CDAP Grant No. 09-282016 and CDAP Grant Number 08-242033. The grants were awarded to the City to performance storm and sanitary sewer improvements in the Cottonwood Drainage Basin. The purpose of the public hearing is to give citizens an opportunity to express their views on the City of Freeport's

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performance on the work completed under ARRA CDAP Grant No. 09-282016 and CDAP Grant No. 08-242033.

PUBLIC HEARING #1

Mayor Gaulrapp stated that this evening there will be separate public hearings and the first public hearing is being held regarding CDAP Grant No. 08-242033 Cottonwood Drainage Basin - the grant was modified and reallocated to Tutty's Crossing Phase 1 Sanitary Sewer Replacement as a result of the failure of the sanitary sewer in Tutty's Crossing.

At 6:06 pm, Alderperson Koester moved to open the public hearing, seconded by Alderperson Endress.

Motion prevailed by roll call vote of:

Yeas: Klemm, Bush, DeVine, Endress, Helms, Koester, and Crutchfield (7)

Nays: none

Mayor Gaulrapp asked if there were any public comments. There were none. Mayor Gaulrapp asked if there were any council comments or questions. There were none.

At 6:07 pm, Alderperson Klemm moved to close the public hearing, seconded by Alderperson Endress.

Motion prevailed by roll call vote of:

Yeas: Klemm, Bush, DeVine, Endress, Helms, Koester, and Crutchfield (7)

Nays: none

PUBLIC HEARING #2

Mayor Gaulrapp stated that the second public hearing will be held regarding ARRA CDAP Grant No. 09-282016 Cottonwood Drainage Basin Storm and Sanitary Sewer Improvements on Chicago from Linden to Clark.

At 6:07 pm, Alderperson Endress moved to open the public hearing, seconded by Alderperson Klemm.

Motion prevailed by roll call vote of:

Yeas: Klemm, Bush, DeVine, Endress, Helms, Koester, and Crutchfield (7)

Nays: none

Mayor Gaulrapp asked if there were any public comments. There were none. Mayor Gaulrapp asked if there were any council comments or questions. There were none.

At 6:08 pm, Alderperson Koester moved to close the public hearing, seconded by Alderperson Endress.

Motion prevailed by roll call vote of:

Yeas: Klemm, Bush, DeVine, Endress, Helms, Koester, and Crutchfield (7)

Nays: none

PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Gaulrapp asked for leave of council to move forward on the agenda the Department Head Report - Bids for the Asbestos Abatement to a point in the agenda immediately following presentations.

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PRESENTATION ON LANDFILL #2 AND #3 MONITORING WELLS

Joel Zirkle of Fehr-Graham and Associates (FGA) provided information on Landfills #2 and #3 monitoring wells. Mr. Zirkle is the project manager for the landfill project for five years. Landfill #2 and #3 are permitted together. There is another landfill titled as Landfill #4 which was recently capped during the last construction season and it is north of Landfill #2 and #3. Landfill #2 and #3 are under an old set of regulations and has been in groundwater monitoring for about 20 years. There had been regulations that allowed it to be monitored for 15 years and if there had been no detection of contaminants in the groundwater, then it could be closed. In the 4th quarter of the 14th year, the groundwater showed contamination and so that did not allow them to completely close. Fehr-Graham & Associates has been doing that monitoring and some of the contaminants did increase over time. Mr. Zirkle referred to an area by the railroad tracks, where Silver Creek runs their railroad, in which there are a bunch of poplar trees that have been growing. The poplar trees were installed to help digress some of the groundwater impact. It did have some positive impact, but it wasn't robust enough. The roots only go down so far and they are not able to intercept everything that is there. FGA has monitored that for a number of years and the IEPA does require them to report the results to them on a periodic basis throughout the course of the year. About three years ago, FGA started seeing levels that were not getting any better. The levels have not declined, these levels are very low but the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency is very strict, stricter then for drinking water. Mr. Zirkle provided the groundwater management zone maps to council. He referred to the groundwater management zone which is an area in which the contamination will dissipate and not make it to the creek. But the Illinois EPA does not like the levels to rise without addressing it. Mr. Zirkle stated they are looking at different options such as slurry-cut-off-wall or treatment of the groundwater by capturing it and pumping it out. Another option would be to put in wells, drill down, and intercept the leachate (also better known as landfill juice). The question is what to do with the leachate once it is pumped out to the recovery wells. The leachate could be dumped into the sanitary sewer wells. This data has been shared with the Water and Sewer Commission. There are contaminants which may tax the waste water treatment plant plus it has a long distance to travel. Treating the leachate before it is discharged will add to the cost. The other cost is ongoing to address as to what you are pumping out of the ground as required by the Illinois EPA. Fehr-Graham & Associations recommends dealing with the discharge into the sanitary sewer and having the controls in place. These pumps will be solar pumps. They are going to be automated with a telemetry on them to control them remotely and to give control to the Water and Sewer Commission. This control is there so if they need to turn them off they can operationally manage it. That would also meet the budget of the Community Development Department for the year. Any type of pretreatment could be hundreds of thousands of dollars of additional costs, which has not been budgeted. The Water and Sewer treatment plant would also need to meet their permitting requirements with the Illinois EPA.

The floor was opened for questions from the council. Mr. Zirkle stated that the estimated cost to install is \$140,000 but it will need to go out for bid. Some of the work has already been done as to the installation of the recovery well last fiscal year. As far as duration, until we get the levels to drop down to acceptable level we should be ready to run it for a long period of time. Mayor Gaulrapp stated there are tipping fees received from the haulers and those funds will be used for this purpose and they are established for about thirty years. It was asked if they do need to shut down the pumps would there be an adverse effect. Mr. Zirkle stated that they will want them to run as much as possible but anytime you have a mechanical system, you could have the pumps go down for maintenance anyway so this is built into the process so the

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IEPA understands that they are not going to run 24-7. Director Griswold stated that the next thing to bring to council on this matter would be the acceptance of bids.

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF ASBESTOS ABATEMENT BIDS – RAWLEIGH BUILDINGS B, D, AND E

Community Development Director Shelly Griswold presented the bid tabulation for asbestos abatement for the Rawleigh Buildings B, D, and E. Mr. Zirkle from Fehr-Graham & Associates was available to answer technical questions. Director Griswold stated that this is part of the USEPA Brownfield Cleanup Grant for the Rawleigh complex. She noted that the asbestos abatement project would need to be completed whether the buildings were put into re-use or demolished. Director Griswold asked council to refer to the Rawleigh Asbestos Bids summary sheet dated July 18, 2011 which showed bids from eight contractors, their base, and selected alternative pricing and required submittals. There were five items in the base bids and then another ten items in alternates.

Director Griswold and Joel Zirkle of Fehr-Graham & Associates recommend base bids to include Alternates #1 (sealing of below grade utility tunnels and pip chases), #2 (removal of wood block flooring in building 5), and #6 (abatement of asbestos asphalt floor coating in the 3rd floor of building #4). Director Griswold noted that some of the contractors did not turn in a project plan which they felt was a very important part of the bid process. Although the bid from Balestrieri of Elkhorn Wisconsin was the low bidder, their bid did not include a project plan. Each of the bidders attended a pre-bid meeting so it was concerning to them that only three bidders returned a required project plan. It was recommended by Director Griswold and Project Manager Joel Zirkle to accept the bid from Ramsco of St. Charles Illinois in the amount of \$171,927.00, the difference being that they worked on the asbestos abatement of the Rawleigh office building and they provided a project plan with this bid. The Rawleigh Office building now houses the offices of Fehr-Graham & Associates.

The floor was opened for questions from council. Discussion was held as to the difference in bids. Mr. Zirkle stated that many of these contractors are busy working on asbestos abatement of school buildings at this time. It was asked if there are any matching funds on the grant for this clean-up. Community Development Director Griswold stated there is a \$600,000 grant and it has a \$120,000 match which will come from the Downtown TIF budget. Once the asbestos abatement is completed, then they will need to work on the lead abatement.

Aldersperson Klemm moved to accept the recommendation of Ramsco in the amount of \$171,927 with three alternatives, seconded by Aldersperson Koester. Motion prevailed by roll call vote of:
Yeas: Klemm, Bush, DeVine, Endress, Helms, Koester, and Crutchfield (7)
Nays: none

PRESENTATION ON NIDA

Executive Director of Northwest Illinois Development Foundation (NIDA), Dave Young gave a presentation on the most recent activities of the foundation. They are updating their website and preparing to host 32 listening sessions in the community. He has requested funding in the amount of \$50,000 for personnel and benefit costs. Mayor Gaulrapp stated that going forward NIDA will probably request another \$50,000 this fiscal year. No final action was taken by council at this time.

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CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval to receive and place on file:

- 1) City Treasurer's Monthly Investment Report for Period Ended May 31, 2011
- 2) City Treasurer's Report of Cash and Miscellaneous Fund Balances for May 31, 2011
- 3) Worker's Compensation Incident Report for June 2011
- 4) Fire Department Report on Activities June 2011
- 5) Police Department Report on Activities June 2011
- 6) Community Development Report on Activities June 2011 including Cash and Misc. Receipts; Building Permits; Electrical, HVAC, Plumbing and Sign Permits

B. Approval of Water and Sewer Bills Payable (Register #579) ---- \$203,586.59

C. Approval of Payroll for pay period ending July 2, 2011 --- \$408,662.85 \$

D. Approval of Finance Bills Payable (Registers #576, 577, 578, 580) --- \$440,567.66

Alderperson Helms moved to approve the Consent Agenda items as presented, seconded by Alderperson Crutchfield. Motion prevailed by roll call vote of:

Yeas: Klemm, Bush, DeVine, Endress, Helms, Koester, and Crutchfield (7)

Nays: none

The consent agenda items were approved.

3RD READING OF ORDINANCE 2011-40:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 806 – ALCOHOLIC LIQUOR SALES OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF FREEPORT, TO AMEND SECTION 806.03 (CLASSIFICATION OF LICENSES), SUBSECTION (C) AND (D)

The first reading of this ordinance was held on June 20, 2011. A motion to adopt was given by Alderperson Koester, seconded by Alderperson Klemm. The second reading was held on July 5, 2011 and it was automatically laid over to tonight's meeting. Upon the third reading and no discussion, a roll call vote was taken to approve the motion on the floor. Motion prevailed by roll call vote of:

Yeas: Klemm, DeVine, Endress, Helms, Koester and Crutchfield (6)

Nays: Bush (1)

Ordinance 2011-40 was passed.

3RD READING OF ORDINANCE 2011-41:

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF FREEPORT, STEPHENSON COUNTY, THE QUESTION WHETHER THE CITY SHOULD HAVE THE AUTHORITY UNDER 20 ILCS 3855/1-92 TO ARRANGE FOR THE SUPPLY OF ELECTRICITY FOR ITS RESIDENTIAL AND SMALL COMMERCIAL RETAIL CUSTOMERS WHO HAVE NOT OPTED OUT OF SUCH PROGRAM

The first reading of this ordinance was held on June 20, 2011. A motion to adopt was given by Alderperson Endress, seconded by Alderperson Koester. The second reading was held on July 5, 2011 and the ordinance was amended and placed on the floor for passage and it was automatically laid over to tonight's meeting. Upon the third reading and no discussion, a roll call vote was taken to approve the motion on the floor. Motion prevailed by roll call vote of:

Yeas: Klemm, Bush, DeVine, Endress, Helms, Koester and Crutchfield (7)

Nays: none

Ordinance 2011-41 was passed.

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ORDINANCES – SECOND READING

2ND READING OF ORDINANCE 2011-42:

AN ORDINANCE TO SUPPLEMENT THE APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE FISCAL YEAR 2011-2012 FOR THE CITY OF FREEPORT

The first reading of this ordinance was held on July 5, 2011. A motion to adopt was given by Alderperson Klemm, seconded by Alderperson Boldt and it was automatically laid over to tonight's meeting. Mayor Gaulrapp stated that administration requests suspension of rules for vote on passage this evening. Alderperson Klemm moved for suspension of the rules for passage this evening, seconded by Alderperson Endress. Alderperson Helms called a point of order and requested a discussion on the floor. Alderperson Klemm withdrew his motion for suspension of the rules and Alderperson Endress withdrew his second.

Discussion was held as to where the \$35,000 would come from. It was answered by Mayor Gaulrapp that the \$35,000 would come from the General Fund by adding to the Community Development Contractual Services line item increasing it from \$54,700 to \$89,700 for funding Economic Development Foundation – NIDA.

Alderperson Klemm moved for suspension of the rules for passage this evening, seconded by Alderperson Endress. Mayor Gaulrapp stated the motion for suspension of the rules is non-debatable. A roll call for was taken:

Yeas: Klemm, Bush, DeVine, Endress, Koester (5)

Nays: Helms and Crutchfield (2)

Corporation Counsel Sarah Griffin stated the motion needs a super majority to pass and said the Mayor would need to vote. Mayor Gaulrapp voted yea.

Motion passes 6-2.

The ordinance was properly upon the floor for passage this evening. The motion prevailed by a roll call vote of:

Yeas: Klemm, Bush, DeVine, Endress, Helms, and Koester (6)

Nays: Crutchfield (1)

Ordinance 2011-42 was passed.

ORDINANCES – FIRST READING

1ST READING OF ORDINANCE 2011-43:

ORDINANCE FOR VARIATION, PERMIT OR AMENDMENT OF CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF FREEPORT – TYPE OF RELIEF: VARIANCE; OWNER OR APPLICANT: FREEPORT WATER AND SEWER COMMISSION, 230 WEST STEPHENSON STREET, FREEPORT, ILLINOIS; ADDRESS OR DESCRIPTION: SOUTH BURCHARD AVENUE (WELTY HEIGHTS SUBDIVISION LOTS 6, 7, & 8, BLOCK 5 – BURCHARD TANK SITE), TAX PIN 18-18-01-253-010, FREEPORT ILLINOIS

The Freeport Board of Zoning Appeals unanimously recommended approving the petition in the public hearing held on July 7, 2011. There were no written objections filed against this petition. Therefore, the city council may take final action on the ordinance this evening. Community Development Director

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Shelly Griswold presented the ordinance stating that relief is sought by the owner of the property, which is the Freeport Water and Sewer Commission, for a variance to Section 1250.03(e) (3) (Yard Areas) (Rear Yards) of Section 1250.02 (R2 – One Family Residence District) of Chapter 1250 (Residence Districts) of the City of Freeport Codified Ordinances to allow a thirty (30) foot rear yard in an R2 zoning classification at Welty Heights Subdivision Lots 6, 7 and 8, Block 5 (Burchard Tank Site), Freeport, Illinois. Community Development Director Shelly Griswold requested council to include special conditions to extend the timeframe allowed in Section 1242.10 entitled Expiration of Authorization of Chapter 1242 entitled Administration Enforcement and Penalty of the City of Freeport Codified Ordinances to extend the timeframe from six months to 24 months. Community Development Director Shelly Griswold stated that although the rear yard will be smaller, the existing footprint will remain the same, and the part of the structure that requires a smaller rear yard is 127 feet above ground level. The site is currently a tower site. There are limited reuse opportunities if not continued as a tower site. The site is currently used for a tower. The new tower will improve line of site from the ground and will be more pleasing aesthetically since the old tower is rusted.

Aldersperson Klemm motioned for passage of the ordinance as presented and to extend the timeframe allowed in Section 1242.10 from six months to 24 months, seconded by Aldersperson Endress. The motion prevailed by a roll call vote of:

Yeas: Klemm, Bush, DeVine, Endress, Helms, Koester and Crutchfield (7)

Nays: none

Ordinance 2011-43 was passed.

1ST READING OF ORDINANCE 2011-44:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF WATERWORKS REVENUE BONDS AND SEWERAGE REVENUE BONDS OF THE CITY OF FREEPORT, STEPHENSON COUNTY, ILLINOIS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEFRAYING THE COST OF ACQUIRING, CONSTRUCTING AND INSTALLING WATERWORKS FACILITIES AND IMPROVEMENTS AND SEWERAGE FACILITIES AND IMPROVEMENTS, AND RELATED MATTERS

Finance/Water and Sewer Director Craig Joesten presented the ordinance stating the presentation also includes the information for Ordinance 2011-45 which follows this ordinance. Director Joesten stated that bids for the Big 4 projects will be awarded September 30, 2011 and financing for these projects will be done through issuance of Waterworks Revenue Bonds and Sewerage Revenue Bonds. There may be additional changes to these ordinance requested by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) who would be issuing the bonds. These bonds contain a 25% forgivable amount.

Director Joesten stated the ordinance as written is for an amount of \$20 million with this 25% forgiveness and the administration feels that it is prudent to move this forward at this time at this rate. Currently, the City has an A Bond Rating and the amount of this bond will not have an impact on the rating because it is not going out for private placement. The Water and Sewer Commission has a debt of \$22 million and if the City borrows the full amount it will have a debt of \$42 million. There is a surcharge calculation on the water and sewer bill for the Big 4 Projects. Director Joesten requested this ordinance be placed on the floor to fund and finance the Big 4 projects with the maximum amount of bonds at \$20 million until we know the bids for the six projects on the list.

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Aldersperson Koester motioned to place Ordinance 2011-44 on the floor for passage, seconded by Aldersperson Helms. The ordinance was automatically laid over to the next meeting.

1ST READING OF ORDINANCE 2011-45:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND PROVIDING FOR THE CITY OF FREEPORT, ILLINOIS, TO EXECUTE, ENTER INTO AND PERFORM LOAN AGREEMENTS WITH THE ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING A PART OF THE COST OF CONSTRUCTING, IMPROVING AND EXTENDING THE CITY'S WATERWORKS FACILITIES AND IMPROVEMENTS AND SEWERAGE FACILITIES AND IMPROVEMENTS, AND MAKING CERTAIN COVENANTS IN PROVIDING FOR THE OPERATION OF THE CITY'S WATERWORKS SYSTEM AND SEWERAGE SYSTEM AND THE PLEDGE, DEDICATION, COLLECTION, SEGREGATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF THE REVENUES TO BE DERIVED FROM THE OPERATION THEREOF

Finance Director Craig Joesten presented the ordinance stating that the same explanation applies as to the Ordinance 2011-44. Aldersperson Klemm motioned to move forward the ordinance for passage, seconded by Aldersperson Helms. The ordinance was automatically laid over to the next meeting.

Mayor Gaulrapp noted the tremendous amount of work put forth by Water and Sewer Director Craig Joesten, City Engineer Denise Ihrig and Water and Sewer Project Administrator Jaynellen Holloway. He also thanked the community for their support of the Big 4 financing.

EXECUTIVE SESSION (CLOSED SESSION)

The following exception for entering closed session was read into the record; Pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (2) Collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees

At 7:10 pm, Aldersperson Helms moved to enter executive session, seconded by Aldersperson Endress.

Motion prevailed by roll call vote of:

Yeas: Klemm, Bush, DeVine, Endress, Helms, Koester and Crutchfield (7)

Nays: none

At 7:50 pm, Aldersperson Crutchfield moved to return from executive session (closed), seconded by

Aldersperson Koester. Motion prevailed by roll call vote of:

Yeas: Klemm, Bush, DeVine, Endress, Helms, Koester and Crutchfield (7)

Nays: none

1ST READING OF ORDINANCE 2011-46:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 290 (COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS) OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF FREEPORT, ILLINOIS – NON-BARGAINING

Finance Director Craig Joesten presented the ordinance stating this is for non-bargaining positions in city hall, non-bargaining for the police department, and non-bargaining for the fire department in which they will be given a 2.1% raise retroactive to May 1, 2011. These classes of employees have not had a salary increase since 2008. A chart is included for Police and Fire management positions to assist in maintaining the differentials in supervisory capacity.

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Aldersperson Klemm motioned to move forward the ordinance for passage, seconded by Aldersperson Koester.

Aldersperson Klemm moved for suspension of the rules for passage this evening, seconded by Aldersperson Koester. Mayor Gaulrapp stated the motion for suspension of the rules is non-debatable. Motion prevailed by a roll call of:

Yeas: Klemm, Bush, DeVine, Endress, Helms, Koester and Crutchfield (7)

Nays: none

The ordinance was properly upon the floor for passage this evening and the motion prevailed by a roll call vote of:

Yeas: Klemm, Bush, DeVine, Endress, Helms, Koester and Crutchfield (7)

Nays: none

Ordinance 2011-46 was passed.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION #R-2011-41:

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE ENGINEERING SERVICES CONTRACT SCADA GRAPHICAL FINAL DESIGN – STRAND (EXHIBIT A ATTACHMENT)

Finance/Water & Sewer Director Craig Joesten presented the resolution which stated the City of Freeport wishes to upgrade the supervisory control and data acquisition (SCADA) system software for the Water and Sewer Department. The proposed upgrade will monitor and control the water treatment plant, wastewater treatment plant, water storage facilities, pressure reducing valves, remote wells, and sanitary lift station. Additionally, included in the upgrade will be a software dialer to alert of alarms and an upgrade of the City's OPS reporting software to Hach Water Information Management Software. It was recommended by Director Joesten to hire Strand Associates engineering and science firm from Madison Wisconsin who is currently providing general engineering services for SCADA upgrades. The costs of their services will be an hourly rate basis plus expenses not to exceed \$75,000 and the resolution and exhibit A provides the agreement for services. Aldersperson Klemm moved to place Resolution R-2011-41 on the floor for adoption, seconded by Aldersperson Koester. Motion prevailed by roll call vote of:

Yeas: Klemm, Bush, DeVine, Endress, Helms, Koester and Crutchfield (7)

Nays: none

Resolution #R-2011-41 was adopted.

RESOLUTION #R-2011-42:

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF FREEPORT AND NEXUS OFFICE SYSTEMS, INC. FOR COPIER/PRINTING SERVICES

Finance Director Craig Joesten presented the resolution for copier services which will be a 60 month lease of the equipment and recommended Nexus Office System, Inc. Director Joesten recommends not going with the printing management recommendation. Aldersperson Helms moved to place the resolution on the floor for adoption, seconded by Aldersperson Endress. Motion prevailed by roll call vote of:

Yeas: Klemm, Bush, DeVine, Endress, Helms, Koester and Crutchfield (7)

Nays: none

Resolution #R-2011-42 was adopted.

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RESOLUTION #R-2011-43:

RESOLUTION TO RATIFY COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT WITH THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FIREFIGHTERS (IAFF), LOCAL NO. 441

Aldersperson Koester moved to place the resolution on the floor for adoption, seconded by Aldersperson Klemm. Motion prevailed by roll call vote of:

Yeas: Klemm, Bush, DeVine, Endress, Helms, Koester and Crutchfield (7)

Nays: none

Resolution #R-2011-43 was adopted.

RESOLUTION #R-2011-44:

RESOLUTION TO RATIFY AN AMENDMENT TO THE 2010 COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT WITH POLICEMEN'S BENEVOLENT LABOR

Aldersperson Koester moved to place the resolution on the floor for adoption, seconded by Aldersperson Klemm. Motion prevailed by roll call vote of:

Yeas: Klemm, Bush, DeVine, Endress, Helms, Koester and Crutchfield (7)

Nays: none

Resolution #R-2011-44 was adopted.

OTHER

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Water & Sewer/City Engineer

City Engineer Denise Ihrig referred to a Water and Sewer Commission memo dated July 12, 2011 regarding the Big 4 Project – Contract Addendums for Additionally requested Engineering Services. The City of Freeport Water and Sewer Commission presents the following engineering service addendums for work associated with the Big 4 Projects for RHMG and Fehr-Graham & Associates.

The Freeport Water and Sewer staff worked with Rezek, Henry, Meisenheimer and Gende, Inc (RHMG) to develop the final scope of the new pressure zone and, in doing so, several additional valves were required to ensure the hospital remained in the main pressure zone to maintain consistent operations at the hospital and demand is met from the water treatment plant. In addition, when RHMG developed the water model they identified several water main loops necessary to ensure success of the project, the original scope called for 1,000 LF of water main design, the final water main design is for approximately 4,000 LF. All water mains are required to be installed in easements therefore; additional surveying is required to write the easement language. The model also emphasized the need for either a larger tower due to less maintenance and operational costs in the future. Further discussion is provided in RHMG's letter to the Commission dated May 18, 2011 and included in the council packet. The total value of the change is \$43,810. The Commission approved these costs at the regular meeting held on May 31, 2011 and City Engineer Ihrig recommends these engineering services costs.

Aldersperson Klemm moved to expend funds for the additional engineering costs in the amount of \$43,810 for RHMG, seconded by Aldersperson Endress. Motion prevailed by roll call vote of:

Yeas: Klemm, Bush, DeVine, Endress, Helms, Koester and Crutchfield (7)

Nays: none

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City Engineer Ihrig stated the Freeport Water and Sewer staff worked with Fehr-Graham & Associates to finalize the design of well number nine. The potential for elevated levels of radium prompted a review of radium management and the determination was made to include a secondary well at the same site. The secondary well will be Well No. 10. A memorandum from Fehr-Graham & Associates dated May 19, 2011 was included in the council packet. The additional design fees for Well No. 10 are \$25,600. The Commission approved these costs at the regular meeting held on May 31, 2011 and City Engineer Ihrig recommends these engineering service costs. Fehr-Graham & Associates also presented a fee structure to assist the department's engineers with completing specifications and general clerical work for the City's I/I and Meter Replacement Projects. The cost of the additional work is \$15,000. The Commission approved these additional costs at the regular meeting and City Engineer Ihrig recommended these engineering service costs, noting that the addendum costs are reflected in the revised budget worksheets for the Big 4 Projects and are eligible for reimbursement through the IEPA loan program.

Aldersperson Klemm moved to expend the additional engineering costs for Fehr-Graham & Associates in the amount of \$25,600 and an amount not to exceed \$15,000, seconded by Aldersperson Endress. Motion prevailed by roll call vote of:

Yeas: Klemm, Bush, DeVine, Endress, Helms, Koester and Crutchfield (7)

Nays: none

City Engineer Denise Ihrig was asked to comment on the presentation of Landfill #2 and #3 monitoring wells and it was requested that she provide the Water and Sewer Commission the information necessary to get them on board.

Request for Approval of Bid Award - Tutty's Crossing Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Project Phase II

Director Joesten presented the bid tabulation for Tutty's Crossing Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Project for Phase II. Bids were received on June 16, 2011 from Fischer Excavating, Inc., Stenstrom Excavation and Blacktop, and Civil Constructors, Inc. It was recommended by Fehr-Graham & Associates to the Freeport Water and Sewer Commission and to the council to award the contract in the amount of \$148,918.50 to the low bidder, Civil Constructors, Inc. Aldersperson Endress moved to accept the bid from Civil Constructors, seconded by Aldersperson Klemm. Motion prevailed by roll call vote of:

Yeas: Klemm, Bush, DeVine, Endress, Helms, Koester and Crutchfield (7)

Nays: none

Public Works

Public Works Director Tom Dole provided a copy of the bid tabulation from the July 8, 2011 opening. He and the mechanic have finished their review of all the bids and he provided his recommendations.

Two 4x4 One-Ton trucks for the Street Department (chassis only): All bids submitted met the minimum specifications. Fairway Ford submitted the low bid. Director Dole recommended purchase of two 2012 Ford F450 one-ton diesel trucks from Fairway Ford in the amount of \$73,044.00 Aldersperson Helms moved to accept the bid from Fairway Ford in the amount of \$73,044 for two 2012 Ford F450 one ton trucks (chassis only), seconded by Aldersperson Koester. Motion prevailed by roll call vote of:

Yeas: Klemm, Bush, DeVine, Endress, Helms, Koester and Crutchfield (7)

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Nays: none

Plow equipment for the two one-ton plow trucks: All bids submitted met the minimum specifications with some slight difference from one manufacture to next. Monroe Truck (Monroe WI) and Adams Equipment (McHenry IL) submitted equal bid prices in the amount of \$48,600.00 for both trucks. Bonnell Industries (Dixon IL.) was the high bidder on the amount of \$55,218.00 for both trucks. Bonnell Ind. has very high quality equipment but is \$6,600.00 higher. Director Dole stated that we have never purchased any equipment from Adams equipment so there is no history there for parts and service. The district sales manager from Monroe Trucks brought a demo plow truck to the city yards for a visual inspection. Director Dole and the mechanic were very impressed with the design and construction of all the equipment on this truck. During the inspection, they found a couple of items offered on that truck that were not in the original spec sheet. These items will be over and above the original bid amount:

- (\$490.00) Single lever fold down sides on the dump body. This allows the worker to easily access the dump body from either side while shoveling or loading material by hand. It changes the working height from 5'6" down to 4'.
- (\$459.00) 3/16" AR400 floor in the dump body rather than 7GA steel. This does not change the weight of the truck but it does make the floor virtually bullet-proof to damage.
- (\$400.00) Poly-wheel covers for rear tires only. This will help protect the under body and the battery boxes.
- (\$2,970.00) Stainless steel dump body. This type of dump body will not deteriorate due to salt use in the winter.

Director Dole recommended the plow equipment for the two one-ton trucks to be purchased from Monroe Truck in the amount of \$52,919.00 Alderperson Klemm moved to accept the recommendation from Director Dole for the purchase of plow equipment for the two one-ton plow trucks in the amount of \$52, 919.00, seconded by Alderperson Crutchfield. Motion prevailed by roll call vote of:

Yeas: Klemm, Bush, DeVine, Endress, Helms, Koester and Crutchfield (7)

Nays: none

Director Dole presented the bids for one – 5-Yard Single Axle Truck (chassis only): Director Dole stated that all bids submitted met the minimum specifications. Hawkeye Truck & Trailer Inc. submitted the low bid. Director Dole recommended purchase of a 2012 International 7400 truck from Hawkeye in the amount of \$69,453.40. Alderperson Helms moved to accept the recommendation from Director Dole in the amount of \$69,453.40 from Hawkeye, seconded by Alderperson Endress. Motion prevailed by roll call vote of:

Yeas: Klemm, Bush, DeVine, Endress, Helms, Koester and Crutchfield (7)

Nays: none

Director Dole presented the bids for plow equipment for 5-Yard Single Axle Truck. He stated that all bids submitted met the minimum specifications. Auto Truck (Bartlett IL) was the high bidder and eliminated. Bonnell Ind. (Dixon IL) and Monroe Truck (Monroe WI) are \$2,100.00 difference. Even though Bonnell is the second highest bid, Director Dole recommended purchase of the plow equipment from Bonnell Ind. in the amount of \$39,500.00 for the following reasons; 1) superior front plow mount design & install 2) superior in cab controls for the operator 3) wing plow folds in tight to the dump body

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4) superior paint finish on dump body which makes it longer lasting and 5) sealed electrical panel and junction boxes. Unlike the one ton plows, many of the parts used to build the 5 yard plow trucks are designed and built by both Bonnell and Monroe Truck. Director Dole stated he has experience with both dealers and, in his opinion, he has found Bonnell Industries equipment to outlast Monroe equipment. . Alderperson Endress moved to accept the recommendation from Director Dole in the amount of \$39,500.00 from Bonnell Ind., seconded by Alderperson Klemm. Motion prevailed by roll call vote of: Yeas: Klemm, Bush, DeVine, Endress, Helms, Koester and Crutchfield (7)
Nays: none

Director Dole finished his department head report by providing an update on the progress of the MFT projects including Wyandotte and Stover Streets. Mayor Gaulrapp requested that LaCresta be added to the list of projects. There is around \$360,000.00 in motor fuel tax fund projects.

Finance

Mayor Gaulrapp requested approval of funds for soil borings at City Hall because of deficiencies recognized by a structural engineer that was called in to assess the cracks in the walls in Council Chambers and by the entrances at both Stephenson Street and Walnut Avenue. He estimated that the cost of the soil borings to be \$7,500.00 for up to five. Alderperson Helms moved to expend the funds for the soil borings up to \$7,500.00, seconded by Alderperson Klemm. Motion prevailed by roll call vote of: Yeas: Klemm, Bush, DeVine, Endress, Helms, Koester and Crutchfield (7)
Nays: none

Police

Chief of Police Jerry Whitmore was present and had no report

Fire

Fire Chief Kevin Countryman was present and had no report.

Library

Freeport Public Library Director Carole Dickerson spoke about the library being one of the cooling centers in Freeport during the extreme heat we have been experiencing in July. There will be an archery demonstration at the Library on Saturday, July 23, 2011.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor George Gaulrapp spoke about attending the funeral for Geraldine Jones, who he said was a faithful community-oriented person. Mayor Gaulrapp encouraged participation in the Prospering Together with NIDA and Vision 20/20. He stated that there has been a rash of burglaries and each person should be the eyes and ears to assist the police department apprehending the thieves. He encouraged citizens to attend their neighborhood watch meetings. The State of the City will be held on August 1, 2011 and each of the alderpersons has been asked to provide a paragraph.

NEW BUSINESS/COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Each council member was provided the opportunity to publicly address significant items of interest.

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- Alderperson Endress requested an update on the Mahoney and Hauser building and it was stated that were given a 15 day notice act on the building after the last council meeting. He asked about the boat ramp and Community Development Director stated that the boat ramp in Tutty's Crossing went out for bid last week.
- Alderperson Helms requested more information on the ability of hiring a person to trap an animal within the City limits and Director Griswold stated she would follow up with more information. Alderperson Helms requested information on the Music Festival and it was stated that a special event permit will not need to be presented to council and the City will be requiring 25% earnest money prior to the event. Finance Director Craig Joesten will provide those numbers to them by August 1, 2011. This will be the amount of the deposit necessary prior to the issuance of a special event permit through the City.
- Alderperson Koester congratulated those involved in the union negotiations.
- Alderperson Klemm asked if there is an ordinance to charge for calls to certain convenience type stores more than others. Corporation Counsel stated the core responsibility of the City is public service and those particular businesses are not separately regulated as the liquor establishments so it would be hard to institute something based on a license. There are ordinances currently in effect for chronic nuisances.
- Alderperson Bush asked about tennis shoes being thrown on electrical wires as a way to mark for gangs. It was stated that these should be turned in to Commonwealth Edison for removal.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AGENDA OR NON-AGENDA ITEMS

- Mayor Gaulrapp recognized the police and fire personnel in the audience and thanked them for their service to the City. He stated that he feels they are underpaid for what they do.
- Tom Teich, 653 Jefferson Street, Freeport, Illinois spoke about the progress a new building on South Street.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

s/ Meg Zuravel
Meg Zuravel, City Clerk