

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SULLIVAN,
ILLINOIS, MONDAY, AUGUST 10, 2009 A.D.

1. The City Council of the City of Sullivan, Illinois, met in regular session on Monday, August 10, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Ann Short. A roll call was taken, which showed the following members as present:

Commissioner Mike Mossman - present
Commissioner Mike Kirk - present
Commissioner Bill Hagen - present
Commissioner Jeff Lane - present
Mayor Ann Short - present

2. The minutes of the previous meeting held on July 27, 2009 were read by the Clerk. A motion was made by Commissioner Hagen and seconded by Commissioner Mossman that the foregoing minutes be approved. The motion was reduced to writing and read to the Council. Upon a roll call being taken, the results were as follows:

Commissioner Mike Mossman - yea
Commissioner Mike Kirk - yea
Commissioner Bill Hagen - yea
Commissioner Jeff Lane - present
Mayor Ann Short - yea

and the motion was declared carried.

3. The minutes of the Public Hearing held on July 27, 2009 were read by the Clerk. A motion was made by Commissioner Mossman and seconded by Commissioner Kirk that the foregoing minutes be approved. The motion was reduced to writing and read to the Council. Upon a roll call being taken, the results were as follows:

Commissioner Mike Mossman - yea
Commissioner Mike Kirk - yea
Commissioner Bill Hagen - yea
Commissioner Jeff Lane - present
Mayor Ann Short - yea

and the motion was declared carried.

4. The Treasurer's report by City Treasurer Myron Salmon for the period from June 30, 2009 thru July 31, 2009 was read by the Clerk. A motion was made by Commissioner Hagen and seconded by Commissioner Lane that the foregoing report be approved as read and placed on file in the records of the Council. The motion was reduced to writing and read to the Council. Upon a roll call being taken, the results were as follows:

Commissioner Mike Mossman - yea
Commissioner Mike Kirk - yea
Commissioner Bill Hagen - yea
Commissioner Jeff Lane - yea
Mayor Ann Short - yea

and the motion was declared carried.

5. The claims were read by Mayor Short. A motion was made by Commissioner Hagen and seconded by Commissioner Lane that the foregoing claims be approved as read and that City Warrants be drawn in payment of the same. The motion was reduced to writing and read to the Council. Upon a roll call being taken, the results were as follows:

Commissioner Mike Mossman - yea
Commissioner Mike Kirk - yea
Commissioner Bill Hagen - yea

Commissioner Jeff Lane
Mayor Ann Short

- yea
- yea

and the motion was declared carried.

6. Before proceeding with reports from the Commissioners, Mayor Short took a moment to thank Police Chief John Love and his staff for the assisting in funeral services on Saturday for Sgt. Gerrick Smith. Chief Love also thanked all of the department Superintendents for their assistance.

7. Commissioner Mossman reported with the upcoming start of school that the softball and baseball games have begun and the Park employees have been working on the ball diamonds.

Commissioner Mossman stated the Park department is going to try to have the Christmas lights up in the park by the date requested. Commissioner Kirk stated the Electric Department would not be able to have their lights up by November 21st.

8. Commissioner Kirk stated the Electric Department had been contacted by IMEA to generate. The department generated from 3-5 p.m. today and generated 10,400 kw per hour.

Commissioner Kirk reported an insert reminding citizens about the demolition grant program will be included in the next two utility billings.

Commissioner Kirk reported a recent power outage in the south mobile home park was due to a burnt out underground service.

Commissioner Kirk reported he had a crew of four men working on Sunday to clear a tree that had fallen by the First National Bank annex on S. Hamilton St.

Mayor Short reported she had been contacted by Mediacom about the underground services that were to be installed in the areas included in the sidewalk grant. There is a question about who is to pay the expense of installing the 12 (twelve) pedestals. Commissioner Kirk stated he felt the expense would be either A.J. Walker or Mediacom. Mayor Short is to contact Shannon Risley and Lee Beckman about the issue.

9. Commissioner Hagen reported the water plant has pumped over one million gallons of water for several days.

Commissioner Hagen stated the water quality has improved since the softener has been overhauled.

10. Commissioner Lane informed the Council that he had been contacted by Chastain & Assoc. asking for a modification of agreement on the Mattox Street Project. They are asking to change the amount of the contract to \$97,500.00 which would be an increase of \$18,000.00. The reasons cited were rain delays and utility conflict delays. A motion was made by Commissioner Lane and seconded by Commissioner Hagen to authorize the Mayor to sign revised contract when it is received. The motion was reduced to writing and read to the Council. Upon a roll call being taken, the results were as follows:

Commissioner Mike Mossman
Commissioner Mike Kirk
Commissioner Bill Hagen
Commissioner Jeff Lane
Mayor Ann Short

- yea
- yea
- yea
- yea
- yea

and the motion was declared carried.

11. Commissioner Lane reported the Street Department is beginning to work on the parking lot behind Jibby's.

Mayor Short advised Commissioner Lane of the issues of street sweeping around the square and the excess rock at the corners that had been brought to her attention by the Retailers Association.

12. The following Ordinance was presented:

ORDINANCE NO. 09-19

AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT TO RENDER MUTUAL AID
BETWEEN THE CITY OF SULLIVAN, MOULTRIE COUNTY, ILLINOIS
AND THE VILLAGE OF FINDLAY, SHELBY COUNTY, ILLINOIS

A motion was made by Commissioner Hagen and seconded by Commissioner Kirk to approve the Ordinance as submitted. The motion was reduced to writing and read to the Council. Upon a roll call being taken, the results were as follows:

Commissioner Mike Mossman	- yea
Commissioner Mike Kirk	- yea
Commissioner Bill Hagen	- yea
Commissioner Jeff Lane	- yea
Mayor Ann Short	- yea

and the motion was declared carried and the Ordinance adopted and the Mayor did sign the same in open meeting and did direct the Clerk to record the same in full in the records of the Council.

13. Mayor Short reported several replies had been received in response to the request for letters of reference for those under consideration for the position of Public Works Director.

Mayor Short reported Jacobs & Associates are preparing the necessary documents for the TIF agreement with Habitat for Humanity.

14. Jan Haegen and Rick Matthews were present to provide information and answer questions from the Council in regards to the request made by Moultrie County for TIF funds for a new boiler system at the Courthouse. The estimated cost for the project is \$120,000.00. The County is requesting \$60,000.00 for two years or \$40,000.00 for three years. The Council members agreed they needed time to study the information. Mr. Haegen stated the necessary TIF paperwork would be handled promptly. No decision was made at this time.

15. Treasurer Myron Salmon, provided information to the Council members to study in order to determine the IMRF Employer Contribution Rate for 2010. Action will need to be taken at the next Council meeting. A decision needs to be given to IMRF by August 31, 2009.

16. Mayor Short reported notice had been received from Mediacom stating some of the programming rates will be increasing.

17. Rick Matthews from the Moultrie County Courthouse offered to help the Electric Department put the Christmas lighting around the Courthouse in an effort to have the lights up by November 21st as requested.

Gerry Wood offered the Boy Scouts assistance to help with replacing bulbs on the Christmas decorations.

Gerry Wood introduced three (3) scouts who are meeting a requirement for citizenship of the community by attending the Council meeting. The scouts were interested in attending a council meeting to see what is involved.

Marion Best asked Commissioner Hagen for clarification on the bid for the sewer crossing that was recently put out for bid. The date provided was also in question. Commissioner Hagen stated he would contact the engineer who prepared the bid specifications.

Gerry Wood, on behalf of the Sullivan Ambucs, asked the Council to consider sponsoring a lighting contest in conjunction with Shotgun Manor.

Mayor Short stated she and Police Chief John Love have been going over the design for the new garage at the Police department.

18. A motion was made by Commissioner Hagen and seconded by Commissioner Lane to adjourn to executive session to discuss contract negotiations (5ILCS 120/2c(5)) and personnel matters (5 ILCS 120/2c(1)) at 7:50 p.m.. The motion was reduced to writing and read to the Council. Upon roll call being taken, the results were as follows:

Commissioner Mike Mossman - yea
Commissioner Mike Kirk - yea
Commissioner Bill Hagen - yea
Commissioner Jeff Lane - yea
Mayor Ann Short - yea

and the motion was declared carried.

19. Mayor Short reconvened the Council meeting at 8:23 p.m. on August 10, 2009.

20. A motion was made by Commissioner Mossman and seconded by Commissioner Hagen that the minutes of the meeting be engrossed by the Clerk. The motion was reduced to writing and read to the Council. Upon roll call being taken, the results were as follows:

Commissioner Mike Mossman - yea
Commissioner Mike Kirk - yea
Commissioner Bill Hagen - yea
Commissioner Jeff Lane - yea
Mayor Ann Short - yea

and the motion was declared carried.

21. A motion was made by Commissioner Kirk and seconded by Commissioner Lane that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was reduced to writing and read to the Council. Upon roll call being taken, the results were as follows:

Commissioner Mike Mossman - yea
Commissioner Mike Kirk - yea
Commissioner Bill Hagen - yea
Commissioner Jeff Lane - yea
Mayor Ann Short - yea

and the motion was declared carried and the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p. m..

Attest M. Sue Bales
City Clerk

Ann G. Short
Mayor Ann Short