

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SULLIVAN,
ILLINOIS, MONDAY, JULY 26, 2010 A.D.

1. The City Council of the City of Sullivan, Illinois, met in regular session on Monday, July 26, 2010 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. Mayor Short took this time to publicly thank all of the residents and volunteers who helped during the recent wind storm. Mayor Short stated:

“I want to thank you to all our citizens of Sullivan for their cooperation and assistance in this disaster of July 19th.

It gives us all great comfort to know that in times of crisis everyone pitches in to help. Our City crews have risen above and beyond the normal requirements of their jobs. Their performance was wonderful. Within minutes of the “big wind” they were responding. Not only City workers but others in the community responded with offers of help and equipment. All crews and volunteers worked until late at night and were back early the next morning. This was repeated and repeated until finally with the dangerous heat levels on Friday we insisted that they take a break. They all continued working this week to finish the cleanup but realistically the cleanup could go on for the rest of the summer.

Because representatives of various City and county agencies had taken the required federal disaster response training, an emergency operation command center was activated in the fire station within one hour of the “big wind”. That training led to every responder being able to know what was needed and where to go to help. Included in that command center team were the Mayor, the City Commissioners, Police Chief John Love, Sheriff Jeff Thomas, Moultrie County ESDA coordinator Jan Haegen, Fire Chief Mike Piper, Assistant Chiefs Larry Edwards and Arlon Long, Moultrie County Health Administrator Angie Hogan and assistant Julie Paddock, Moultrie County Dive Team Leader Clay Brush, Illinois Dept. of Transportation personnel and Illinois State Police officers and from the Red Cross, arrived quickly to help with food, water and shelter, Glenda Plunkett. These people and many others from their organizations were there at the EOC as long as needed. There were businesses who generously donated food and water. CWLP of Springfield sent trained line crews, representatives from HD Supply of Mattoon manned the electric maintenance building to keep track of needed materials, EK Petroleum of Sullivan made sure we had the fuel to keep going. In addition to these fine folks, there were tons of other volunteers who provided assistance, food, water and ice. I’m sure that if I started naming groups and individuals and other governmental units I would miss someone. Every volunteer, donation or kind word was deeply appreciated. The total cost of manpower and material will be staggering. However, there were no injuries and that is priceless.

I hope that we never have to go through this again, but if we do, I know that we would come thru it with flying colors.

Thank you Sullivan for being the great people you are.

Ann Short, Mayor “

3. The minutes of the previous meeting held on July 26, 2010 were read by the Clerk. A motion was made by Commissioner Hagen and seconded by Commissioner Lane 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 - yea
Mayor Ann Short - yea

and the motion was declared carried.

4. The minutes of the Emergency meeting and adjourned session of the Emergency meeting held on July 20, 2010 and July 21, 2010 respectively were read by the Clerk. A motion was made by Commissioner Hagen and seconded by Commissioner Lane 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 - yea
Mayor Ann Short - yea

and the motion was declared carried.

5. The Annual Treasurer's report by City Treasurer Myron Salmon for the period from May 1, 2009 thru April 30, 2010 was presented. This report will be published in the News Progress.

6. The claims were read by Mayor Short. A motion was made by Commissioner Mossman and seconded by Commissioner Kirk 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 - yea
Mayor Ann Short - yea

and the motion was declared carried.

7. Commissioner Mossman thanked volunteers, John Moody, Van Horn and the Sullivan School District, for clean-up work in Wyman Park and Tabor Park. Commissioner Mossman expressed his gratitude to all of the volunteers who helped after the storm.

8. Commissioner Kirk reported there were 14 men from Springfield who came to assist the Electric dept. with the storm damage. Damage from the storm included damage to six transformers, the loss of approximately a mile of line and a loss of seventeen (17) poles to date. Commissioner Kirk thanked HD Supply for setting up and manning a store until the cleanup work was finished.

9. A motion was made by Commissioner Kirk and seconded by Commissioner Hagen to advertise for bids each of the following: one power transformer, three 12.47 kv circuit breakers and three generator control panels. Sealed bids will be opened at 7:00 p.m. on August 23, 2010. 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.

10. A motion was made by Commissioner Kirk and seconded by Commissioner Mossman to authorize Mayor Short to sign the IEPA Application for Construction permit for the Power Plant expansion. 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 - abstain
Mayor Ann Short - yea

and the motion was declared carried.

11. A motion was made by Commissioner Kirk and seconded by Commissioner Mossman to authorize Mayor Short to sign the contract submitted by Altorfer Power Systems for the three (3) new generators for the Power Plant. 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 - abstain
Mayor Ann Short - yea

and the motion was declared carried.

12. Commissioner Kirk suggested giving compensation to those employees who came in and stayed at work after the storm. A motion was made by Commissioner Kirk and seconded by Commissioner Hagen to compensate these employees with a \$500.00 bonus. Superintendents will supply a list of employees to receive the bonus. 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.

13. Commissioner Hagen reported that he is working on making sure the employees in his departments have the correct class driver's license.

Commissioner Hagen reported Well #8 at the Water Plant was lost due to being struck by lightning.

Commissioner Hagen thanked his employees for helping during the recent storm.

14. Commissioner Lane thanked all of the departments who helped during the storm. Commissioner Lane stated the State crew will continue to help until Wednesday. The Street department has allowed contractors to dump debris on the burn pile. This will be discontinued on Thursday, however, city residents can continue to use the burn pile.

15. Mayor Short reported a Public Hearing for the Appropriation Ordinance was held at 6:15 p.m.. The following Ordinance was presented:

ORDINANCE 10-09

AN ORDINANCE MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE
CITY OF SULLIVAN, MOULTRIE COUNTY, ILLINOIS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING
MAY 1, 2010 AND ENDING APRIL 30, 2011

A motion was made by Commissioner Mossman and seconded by Commissioner Kirk to waive the reading and to approve the Ordinance as submitted. 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 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.

16. The following Resolution was presented:

RESOLUTION 10-G

A RESOLUTION REGARDING THE ILLINOIS TRANSPORTATION
ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM

A motion was made by Commissioner Kirk and seconded by Commissioner Hagen to waive the reading and to approve the Resolution as submitted. 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 - abstain
Mayor Ann Short - yea

and the motion was declared carried and the Resolution 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.

17. Mayor Short presented a form she received from Moultrie County ESDA which is necessary to file to receive funding for the storm damage. Although there probably won't be any money available, the form should be filed in case any funds should become available. The form will be given to the Treasurer's office so that they may begin to gather the information and cost estimates.

18. John Stephens and Ralph Kirk, Little Theatre on the Square, were present to request assistance from the City to help with expanding their show season from twenty two weeks up to twenty eight weeks. Commissioner Mossman suggested tabling action on the request until the meeting to be held on August 9.

19. Kent Spencer, Rick Montague and Jeff Feldkamp, representatives from Sullivan Street Machine Assoc., were present to request the City continue their support of the SSMA cruise night to be held over Labor Day weekend. Mr. Montague asked if it would be possible to change the area where the event is to take place in the event the south side of the Square is not usable. Commissioner Lane stated they needed to talk to the business owners that would be involved to make sure they are agreeable.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hagen and seconded by Commissioner Mossman to approve the donation request of \$500.00 to the Sullivan Street Machine

Association. 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.

20. Mayor Short reported the City has received the annual safety procedure notice from the Gas department as required by federal regulations.

Mayor Short announced the CIMOA meeting will be held in Clinton on August 19th if anyone would like to attend.

Mayor Short announced the Kaskaskia River Watershed Association meeting will be held August 26th in Arthur.

Mayor Short stated she had received the designated weather conditions and temperature information for each day during the disaster from the Electric department. Fire Chief Mike Piper stated the information would be needed for the EOC report.

Mayor Short stated the City received a thank-you from the Sunrise Drive Gang for the City's response during the recent storm.

21. Mayor Short stated the Council members had been given information needed for the annual employee wage increase issue. Commissioner Kirk expressed concern about continuing to give the dollar amount equal to one weeks pay. Commissioner Mossman pointed out the benefits package should be given consideration when arriving at an amount. Commissioner Mossman suggested the issue be tabled until the August 9th meeting.

22. Police Chief John Love wished to express his thank you to the City employees for all of the assistance and cooperation shown during the recent storm. Chief Love also thanked the Mayor and Council members for their assistance at the EOC. Mayor Short commended Travis Hughes for his leadership.

23. Stephanie McMahon, Economic Development Director, reminded the Mayor and Council members of the public meetings to be held at 2:30 and 6:30 on Tuesday, July 27 at the Library for the purpose of a need for Alzheimer's care in Sullivan.

24. A motion was made by Commissioner Hagen and seconded by Commissioner Mossman to adjourn to executive session to discuss contract negotiations (5 ILCS 120/2c(1) and to discuss the release of executive session minutes and the destruction of audio recordings (5 ILCS 120.2c(21) at 7:58 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.

25. Mayor Short reconvened the Council meeting at 8:10 p.m. on July 26, 2010.

26. Mayor Short reported that the recent closed session authorized the destruction of audio recordings of certain meetings and the release of minutes of certain executive session minutes. The following Resolution was presented:

RESOLUTION 10-H

A RESOLUTION REGARDING THE RELEASE OF
EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES

January 25, 2010

A motion was made by Commissioner Hagen and seconded by Commissioner Lane to waive the reading and to approve the Resolution as submitted. 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 Resolution 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.

27. The following Resolution was presented:

RESOLUTION 10-I

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DESTRUCTION OF
AUDIO OR VIDEO RECORDING OF CLOSED MEETINGS SESSIONS

July 28, 2008	October 13, 2008
August 11, 2008	November 10, 2008
August 18, 2008	December 8, 2008
August 25, 2008	December 22, 2008
September 22, 2008	

A motion was made by Commissioner Hagen and seconded by Commissioner Lane to waive the reading and to approve the Resolution as submitted. 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 Resolution 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.

28. A motion was made by Commissioner Mossman and seconded by Commissioner Kirk 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.

29. A motion was made by Commissioner Hagen 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
Commissioner Mike Kirk
Commissioner Bill Hagen
Commissioner Jeff Lane
Mayor Ann Short

- yea
- yea
- yea
- yea
- yea

and the motion was declared carried and the meeting was adjourned at 8:12 p. m..

Attest M. Sue Sides
City Clerk

Ann Short
Mayor Ann Short