



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
204 SOUTH BLOOMINGTON STREET
STREATOR, IL 61364
AUGUST 15, 2018 - 7:00 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Lansford called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL Members present: Bedei, Brozak, Crouch, Scarbeary and Mayor Lansford.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA No changes to the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Lori Ganey – Expressed concern for cutting full-time employees. We need to maintain the services in our community. Cutting full-time employees and services is not the answer. There must be other option.

Toni Pettit- Expressed concern about the current community issues. We have lost many career-path jobs in Streator because of the hospital closing and elementary school closing. The job growth in our community is for minimum wage jobs only. We need more police on shifts. We need to utilize the pavilion in the park and rent it out for big events.

Lucas Christensen – Expressed concerns regarding cuts to the Fire & Police Depts. And the amount of funds the city is losing not by operating their own ambulance service.

Bob Jakupcak – Expressed that the public is not in favor of cutting city services. We should be improving services in our community, not cutting. We need to look at all options.

Dan Snow – Expressed concern regarding the sand truck traffic on Otter Creek Street. This not designated as a truck route for semi traffic.

Scot Wrighton, City Manager – Reported facts and figures to the audience regarding the city’s pension crisis.

NEW BUSINESS

1. ORDINANCE 2018- 36. AMENDING TITLE 10, “STOPPING STANDING AND PARKING” OF THE STREATOR MUNICIPAL CODE OF ORDINANCES, LASALLE AND LIVINGSTON COUNTIES, ILLINOIS BY REGULATING PARKING ON A SECTION OF WEST BLUFF STREET.

Wrighton presented this item to the Council stating the construction on West Bluff Street was designed for no parking on the north side. Council decided we should send a notice to affected residents. Mayor Lansford requested a motion and second to pass the ordinance.

MOTION: Brozak made a motion to pass the no-parking ordinance; seconded by Crouch.

ROLL: Ayes: Bedei, Brozak, Crouch, Scarbeary and Mayor Lansford.

2. ORDINANCE 2018- 37. ANNEXING CERTAIN TERRITORY, IN OTTER CREEK TOWNSHIP, TO THE CITY OF STREATOR, LASALLE AND LIVINGSTON COUNTIES, STREATOR, ILLINOIS.

Wrighton presented this item to the Council. This property is contiguous and lies within the New Route 18 East TIF District. Mayor Lansford called for a motion and second to pass this ordinance annexing this property into the city of Streator.

MOTION: Brozak made a motion to pass the no-parking ordinance; seconded by Crouch.

ROLL: Ayes: Bedei, Brozak, Crouch, Scarbeary and Mayor Lansford.

3. MOTION TO RECEIVE AND PLACE ON FILE RECOMMENDATION 2018-09, APPROVING AND GRANTING AN AWARD OF A “FACADE GRANT” TO RICHARD HUFFINES, OWNER, 110 NORTH MONROE STREET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,000.

Mayor Lansford requested a motion and second to approve and place on file the Plan Commission recommendation to award a Facade Grant to, Richard Huffines, 110 North Monroe Street, in the amount of \$15,000.

MOTION: Crouch made a motion to place the Plan Commission recommendation on file; seconded by Bedei.

ROLL: Ayes: Bedei, Brozak, Crouch, Scarbeary and Mayor Lansford.

- 4. RESOLUTION 2018- 30. APPROVING AND GRANTING AN AWARD OF A “FACADE GRANT” TO RICHARD HUFFINES, OWNER 110 NORTH MONROE STREET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,000.**
Wrighton presented this item to the Council and reported that the mural would be painted by Ray Paseka, the same artist that did the Heritage Park wall. Brozak stated that he had a citizen call and complain about the nature of the mural for 110 N. Monroe St. Mayor Lansford requested a motion and a second to approve the resolution to award a “Facade Grant” to Richard Huffines, 110 North Monroe St., in the amount of \$15,000.
MOTION: Crouch made a motion to award a “Facade Grant” to Richard Huffines, owner, 110 North Monroe Street, in the amount of \$15,000; seconded by Scarbeary.
ROLL: Ayes: Bedei, Brozak, Crouch, Scarbeary and Mayor Lansford.
- 5. RESOLUTION 2018- 31. APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF TWO NEW SQUAD CARS FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.**
Wrighton presented this item to the Council and Police Chief Pastirik explained the state bidding pricing obtained for the new squad cars. Mayor Lansford requested a motion and second to approve the resolution to purchase of two new squad cars for the Streator Police Department.
MOTION: Brozak made a motion to approve the purchase of two new squad cars; seconded by Crouch.
ROLL: Ayes: Bedei, Brozak, Crouch, Scarbeary and Mayor Lansford.
- 6. RESOLUTION 2018- 32. AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO PROCEED WITH AN AWARD OF BID TO OPPERMAN CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, PONTIAC, ILLINOIS IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE CITY OF STREATOR 2018 DEMOLITION PROJECT.**
Wrighton presented this item to the Council and reported the bid opening was held on August 8, 2018 which included 7 potential structures. The bid was awarded to Opperman Construction, Pontiac, Illinois.
Mayor Lansford requested a motion and second to approve the resolution awarding the demolition bid to Opperman Construction, Pontiac, IL.
MOTION: Crouch made a motion to approve the Demolition resolution; seconded by Bedei.
ROLL: Ayes: Bedei, Brozak, Crouch, Scarbeary and Mayor Lansford.
- 7. RESOLUTION 2018- 33. PROPOSED STREATOR ROUTE 18 EAST TIF DISTRICT.**
Wrighton presented this item to the Council and explain this resolution was prepared to set the date and allow expenses to be incurred by the Villas of Holly Brook developer so they can begin construction.
MOTION: Brozak made a motion to approve the Streator Route 18 East TIF District resolution; seconded by Crouch.
ROLL: Ayes: Bedei, Brozak, Crouch, Scarbeary and Mayor Lansford.
- 8. MOTION TO APPROVE A CENTRAL PARK IMPROVEMENT PLAN RECOMMENDATION FROM THE STREATOR PARKS AND OPEN SPACES BOARD.**
Wrighton presented this recommendation to the Council and explained this plan envision several upgrades and seeks to obtain assistance from the new owners of Sherman School to assist in this plan. Mayor Lansford requested a motion and second to approve this motion for the Streator Parks and Open Spaces Board.
MOTION: Brozak made a motion to approve the Central Park Plan; seconded by Crouch.
ROLL: Ayes: Bedei, Brozak, Crouch, Scarbeary and Mayor Lansford.
- 9. RESOLUTION 2018-34. APPROPRIATING \$75,000 OF MFT FUNDS IN CONNECTION WITH ROADWAY MAINTENANCE PROJECTS FOR FY 2018 FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF STREETS AND HIGHWAYS BY THE CITY OF STREATOR UNDER PROVISIONS OF THE ILLINOIS HIGHWAY CODE.**
Wrighton presented this item to the Council reporting this resolution appropriates funds to pay for W. Stanton Street, Ridge Road and Sylvan Lane which is part of the FY18 road plan. Mayor Lansford requested a motion and second to approve the MFT funds in connection with roadway maintenance projects for FY2018.
MOTION: Brozak made a motion to approve the MFT fund resolution; seconded by Crouch.
ROLL: Ayes: Bedei, Brozak, Crouch, Scarbeary and Mayor Lansford.
- 10. RESOLUTION 2018-35. RESOLUTION TO PERMIT ENTRANCE FROM ILLINOIS ROUTE 23 TO**

NORTH BLOOMINGTON STREET (2404 N. Bloomington St.).

Wrighton presented this item to the Council and explained this resolution will allow for IDOT to issue a permit to allow an entrance from Illinois Route 23 to Dunkin Donuts (2404 N. Bloomington St).

MOTION: Crouch made a motion to approve the placement of an entrance to Dunkin Donuts new location; seconded by Brozak.

ROLL: Ayes: Bedei, Brozak, Crouch, Scarbeary and Mayor Lansford.

11. MOTION TO APPROVE BLOCKING OFF OLD ORCHARD LANE BETWEEN EASTWOOD AVENUE AND MEADOW LANE ON SEPTEMBER 8, 2018 FOR A BLOCK PARTY, 4:00 – 9:00 P.M. TRAFFIC OUT OF THE STOUGH GROUP PROPERTY CAN BE REROUTED DOWN PINE TREE.

Wrighton presented this item to the Council explaining this would be a special event for a neighborhood block party. Mayor Lansford requested a motion and second to approve the blocking of Old Orchard Lane on September 8, 2018, 4:00-9:00 p.m.

MOTION: Brozak made a motion to approve the closing of Old Orchard Lane for a neighborhood block party; seconded by Crouch.

ROLL: Ayes: Bedei, Brozak, Crouch, Scarbeary and Mayor Lansford.

12. ORDINANCE 2018-38. ANNEXING CERTAIN TERRITORY TO THE CITY OF STREATOR, COUNTIES OF LIVINGSTON & LASALLE, ILLINOIS.

Wrighton presented this voluntary annexation to the Council. This property is contiguous and lies within the New Route 18 East TIF District. Mayor Lansford called for a motion and second to pass this ordinance annexing this property into the city of Streator.

MOTION: Crouch made a motion to pass this ordinance; seconded by Brozak.

ROLL: Ayes: Bedei, Brozak, Crouch, Scarbeary and Mayor Lansford.

13. CONSENT AGENDA:

Mayor Lansford presented the Consent Agenda to council for approval, with an amended fund warrant total of \$1,124,075.17 and Scarbeary abstaining from Section B and Crouch abstaining from Section C.

MOTION: Scarbeary made a motion to approve the consent agenda; seconded by Bedei.

ROLL: Ayes: Bedei, Brozak, Crouch, Scarbeary and Mayor Lansford.

14. CITY OFFICIAL COMMENTS

Bedei- Thanked the citizens for attending this City Council meeting.

Brozak – Thanked everyone in the audience for coming to the meeting.

Scarbeary – Asked that Genseke Court be checked for flooding after rain. Praefcke Addition project is an eyesore to the city. He thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

Crouch – Thanked everyone for attending the meeting and SPD and SFD for the great jobs they do for the city. He addressed all the disrespectful comments that have been made on social media regarding the city and the City Council and he stands by his comments.

Mayor Lansford – Remarked that it was good to see so many citizens attend a Council meeting and invited the public to attend the Committee of the Whole meetings.

15. ADJOURNMENT With no further items for discussion, Mayor Lansford requested a motion and second to adjourn the meeting.

MOTION: Scarbeary made a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Brozak.

ROLL: Ayes: Bedei, Brozak, Crouch, Scarbeary and Mayor Lansford.

TIME ADJOURNED: 7:58 P.M.

Submitted by: , City Clerk