

VILLAGE OF HANNA CITY
Council Meeting Minutes
April 2, 2013

The Regular Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor Winterroth at 7:30 p.m. with pledge to the flag and a moment of silence to honor those serving our country. Present: Trustees: Isbell, Pahl, Weaver, Gibson, Stear ... Attorney Connor, Treasurer Strough and Clerk Klatt.

Minutes: Trustee Gibson made motion to approve the minutes of the Public Hearing for Budget & Appropriations budget on March 19, 2013 ...Pahl seconded ... all ayes motion carried. Trustee Gibson made motion to approve minutes of the regular council meeting on March 19, 2013 ... Stear seconded.... All ayes ... motion carried.

Guests: **Jacque Winston, Ameren Illinois**, to discuss franchise renewal. Village contracted with CILCO 50 years ago for \$600/annual franchise fee and that contract expires on May 9, 2013 ... annual fee has increased some over the years. Ameren is now offering 20 year franchise agreement with Hanna City with cash compensation of \$6,450/year using formula based on customer count in the Village. Since Rate Relief Law is same for all communities, there is only negotiation on term of contract ... 10 year contract would be 10% less ... 30 year contract would be 10% more. After five years in contract, Village would be able to have cash compensation figure reconsidered if Village shows significant increase of 3% or more in population. Ameren's new policy on help to smaller villages is to allow use of some of their equipment if their employees wish to volunteer their time to operate the equipment. Ms. Winston will check into any possibility of Village purchasing (or getting donated) a used bucket truck.

Treasurer's Report: After discussion, Isbell made motion to accept Treasurer's Reports and pay all outstanding bills ... Pahl seconded. ROLL CALL VOTE: Gibson: yes ... Stear: yes, Isbell: yes, Pahl: yes, Weaver: yes ... motion carried.

Engineer's Report: Farnsworth personnel, Village employees and Trustee Weaver will be working on MFT Program for 2013. Engineer Lott will get comments on zoning ordinance to Attorney and Mayor this week.

Attorney's Report: Annual Appropriations Ordinance for fiscal year beginning May 1, 2013 will need to be approved at first meeting in May. After discussion, Isbell made motion to enter into new 20-year franchise agreement with Ameren for \$6,450.00 annual fee ... Pahl seconded. ROLL CALL VOTE: Stear: yes, Isbell: yes, Pahl: yes, Weaver: yes, Gibson: yes ... motion carried.

Finance: Isbell distributed options for employee pay raises and asked Council members to review so can be voted on at next meeting.

Sewer: Nothing to report.

Streets & Alleys: Nothing to report.

Police & Planning: Received four incident reports for the month.

Water: In Fryxell's absence, Gibson approved six checks to be paid from Escrow Account totaling \$475.00. Delinquent water customer previously on level pay has paid \$1,000 on account ... penalties have been reinstated ... account will be monitored. Mayor will review ordinance on fees charged for turning water service on and off.

Buildings & Grounds: Nothing to report.

Other: Council members asked to send any final draft recommendations on building codes to Attorney and Mayor. Mayor will give members a sampling of permit fees charged by other communities.

Clean Up Day: After discussion, Gibson made motion to have two dumpsters set up at Village maintenance garage April 26 through May 6 (covering two weeks-ends) for Village residents to deposit Spring Clean Up items ... with notice to be put on Resident's water bills ... Pahl seconded. ROLL CALL VOTE: Isbell: yes, Pahl: yes, Weaver: yes, Gibson: yes, Stear: yes ... motion carried.

Hanna City Park District is sponsoring city-wide garage sales on May 4-5.

Pahl made motion to send Memorial to Utley family in memory of Charles Utley (father-in-law of Trustee Fryxell) in amount of \$50 ... Isbell seconded. ROLL CALL VOTE: Pahl: yes, Weaver: yes, Gibson: yes, Stear: yes, Isbell: yes ... motion carried.

IMLRMA is having "Excavation, Trenching & Shoring" training in Metamora on April 18 from 8 a.m. to noon ... Mayor will make reservations for three full-time employees.

Dues for HOI Mayors organization need to be voted on at next meeting ... April 17 HOI Mayors' meeting is being hosted by Village of Hanna City at Gil's Supper Club ... if any Council members would like to attend, please notify Mayor. Speaker is Adam Pollet from DCEO.

Election is April 9 ... will need to appoint someone to fill one vacancy after election ... Council members asked to let Mayor know if they wish to change their current Committees.

Correspondence:

- Letter from Mediacom regarding rate adjustments on certain packages.
- Thank you received from Lutheran Hillside Village Foundation for memorial in memory of Auditor Eric Jones' mother.
- Letter received from Governor with information on keeping homes from being foreclosed on ... information posted.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Submitted by Myrna Klatt, Village Clerk