

***Proceedings of the Council of the City of Joliet, Illinois  
held on the 3rd day of March, A.D. 2009***

REGULAR MEETING of the Council of the City of Joliet, Illinois held on Tuesday, March 3, 2009 at 6:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers, Joliet Municipal Building, 150 W. Jefferson Street, Joliet, Illinois.

**INVOCATION**

An Invocation was delivered by Father Peter Jankowski, St. Patrick's Church, 710 W. Marion Street, Joliet, Illinois.

Father Jankowski then led the pledge to the flag.

**ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: MAYOR PRO-TEM JAN QUILLMAN and DISTRICT 4 COUNCILWOMAN SUSIE A. BARBER, DISTRICT 2 COUNCILMAN TIMOTHY M. BROPHY, DISTRICT 5 COUNCILMAN WARREN C. DORRIS, COUNCILMAN AT LARGE THOMAS C. GIARRANTE, DISTRICT 1 COUNCILMAN JOSEPH R. SHETINA, COUNCILMAN AT LARGE MICHAEL F. TURK and DISTRICT 3 COUNCILMAN ANTHONY UREMOVIC.

ABSENT: MAYOR ARTHUR SCHULTZ.

ALSO PRESENT: CITY MANAGER THOMAS A. THANAS and CORPORATION COUNSEL JEFFREY S. PLYMAN.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

COUNCILMAN BROPHY moved that the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Joliet, Illinois held on Tuesday, February 17, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. stand approved as recorded.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN DORRIS.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILWOMAN BARBER, COUNCILMEN BROPHY, DORRIS, GIARRANTE, SHETINA, TURK, UREMOVIC and MAYOR PRO-TEM QUILLMAN.

NAYS: NONE.

**COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS AND AGENDA ITEMS**

**A. Communication, Technology and Information Systems**

COUNCILMAN BROPHY stated the Committee met on Tuesday, February 24, 2009 and discussed the proposed e-newsletter which would replace the current hard copy newsletter that is sent out to residents. He said Dan Stefanich and Brent Moats of the Gammon Group were present and displayed the new look to the e-newsletter and stated it would be sent via e-mail to residents that opt into a central database. He said plans are to send 12-24 per year versus the two that go out now. He said 12 issues of this method would cost only 13% of the old hard copy. He said the Committee recommended proceeding to Council for approval.

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COUNCILMAN BROPHY stated the Director of Public Works introduced the Trimble Navigation team and their proposed Fieldport Work Order System which would replace our antiquated system of hand written note cards and endless paper files for water and sewer projects. He said centralized record collection, maps and work site histories will be readily available to field personnel. He said the Committee recommended implementation of the system.

COUNCILMAN BROPHY said there was a report on the current status of all City cellular contracts and communication equipment inventories and satisfactory summaries of both were reported. He said there was an update on the progress with the lighting contractor for the Council Chambers. He also said there was a delay in the City employee ID badge contract due to complications with the application securing satisfactory employee photograph information and other necessary identification on the badge material.

COUNCILMAN BROPHY said the Director of Neighborhood Services demonstrated new web-based software for code enforcement. He said the goal of this is to enhance our success by increasing staff time in the field and on the phone by 50% with the help of this software. He said five product offerings were reviewed and the lowest cost option was recommended by staff and the Committee concurred.

**B. Public Service**

COUNCILMAN TURK stated the Committee met this morning and reviewed the contracts, change orders, pay estimates and final payments and found them all to be in order and recommended their approval.

There were no other Committee reports.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Approve 2009 Neighborhood Improvement Program (NIP)  
Modification No. 2 – Modification to the 2009 District 3  
Neighborhood Improvement Program  
(Council Memo #182-09)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve the modification to the 2009 District 3 Neighborhood Improvement Program by adding the 3224 Jeffrey Drive Rear Yard Drainage Project (\$14,000).

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE moved that the recommendation of the City Manager be concurred in.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN DORRIS.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN BROPHY, DORRIS, GIARRANTE, SHETINA, TURK,  
UREMOVIC, COUNCILWOMAN BARBER and MAYOR PRO-TEM  
QUILLMAN.

NAYS: NONE.

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PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. Public Hearing re: Annexation of 1.73 Acres at 7902 Caton Farm Road

1. Resolution re: Approving an Annexation Agreement for 1.73 Acres at 7902 Caton Farm Road (#A-98-08/Dist. #3)  
(Council Memo #185-09)
2. Ordinance re: Approving the Annexation of 1.73 Acres at 7902 Caton Farm Road (#A-98-08/Dist. #3)  
(Council Memo #185-09)
3. Ordinance re: Approving the Classification of 1.73 Acres at 7902 Caton Farm Road to B-3 Zoning (#A-98-08/Dist. #3)  
(Council Memo #185-09)

A communication from the City Manager contained a request by staff that said items be tabled indefinitely due to the petitioner being unable to reach final arrangements with the purchaser of the subject site.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE moved that said items be tabled indefinitely.

Motion seconded by COUNCILWOMAN BARBER.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN DORRIS, GIARRANTE, SHETINA, TURK, UREMOVIC, COUNCILWOMAN BARBER, COUNCILMAN BROPHY and MAYOR PRO-TEM QUILLMAN.

NAYS: NONE.

B. Public Hearing re: Annexation of 2505 Garden Street

1. A RESOLUTION Approving an Annexation Agreement for 2505 Garden Street as recommended by the Plan Commission was presented and read. (#A-127-08/Dist. #1)  
(Council Memo #186-09)  
(RESOLUTION NO. 6242)
2. AN ORDINANCE Approving the Annexation of 2505 Garden Street as recommended by the Plan Commission was presented and read. (#A-127-08/Dist. #1)  
(Council Memo #186-09)  
(ORDINANCE NO. 16431)
3. AN ORDINANCE Approving the Classification of 2505 Garden Street to R-1 Zoning as recommended by the Plan Commission was presented and read. (#A-127-08/Dist. #1)  
(Council Memo #186-09)  
(ORDINANCE NO. 16432)

The City Clerk noted that this was a public hearing so any comments would be in order at this time.

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MAYOR PRO-TEM QUILLMAN asked if there were any comments, and being none, she closed the public hearing.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE moved that said Resolution and Ordinances be adopted.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN DORRIS.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN GIARRANTE, SHETINA, TURK, UREMOVIC,  
COUNCILWOMAN BARBER, COUNCILMEN BROPHY, DORRIS and  
MAYOR PRO-TEM QUILLMAN.

NAYS: NONE.

C. Public Hearing re: Annexation of 2324 S. Brandon Road

1. AN ORDINANCE Approving the Annexation of 2324 S. Brandon Road as recommended by the Plan Commission was presented and read. (#A-129-08/Dist. #5)  
(Council Memo #187-09)  
(ORDINANCE NO. 16433)
2. AN ORDINANCE Approving the Classification of 2324 S. Brandon Road to I-T Zoning as recommended by the Plan Commission was presented and read. (#A-129-08/Dist. #5)  
(Council Memo #187-09)  
(ORDINANCE NO. 16434)
3. AN ORDINANCE Approving the Vacation of Laraway Road from the West Boundary of Brandon Road East 253' as recommended by the Plan Commission was presented and read. (#V-3-09/Dist. #5)  
(Council Memo #187-09)  
(ORDINANCE NO. 16435)

The City Clerk noted that this was a public hearing so any comments would be in order at this time.

MAYOR PRO-TEM QUILLMAN asked if there were any comments, and being none, she closed the public hearing.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA moved that said Ordinances be adopted.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK, UREMOVIC, COUNCILWOMAN  
BARBER, COUNCILMEN BROPHY, DORRIS, GIARRANTE and  
MAYOR PRO-TEM QUILLMAN.

NAYS: NONE.

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D. Public Hearing re: Amendment to an Annexation Agreement for the Rousonelos Property

1. A RESOLUTION Approving an Amendment to an Annexation Agreement for the Rousonelos Property as recommended by the Plan Commission was presented and read. (#A-1-09/Dist. #1)  
(Council Memo #188-09)  
(RESOLUTION NO. 6243)
2. AN ORDINANCE Approving the Preliminary Plat of Theodore Commons Subdivision as recommended by the Plan Commission was presented and read. (#A-1-09/Dist. #1)  
(Council Memo #188-09)  
(ORDINANCE NO. 16436)
3. AN ORDINANCE Approving the Reclassification of 10.7 Acres at the Northwest Corner of Theodore Street and Drauden Road from R-2 to B-1 Zoning as recommended by the Plan Commission was presented and read. (#A-1-09/Dist. #1)  
(Council Memo #188-09)  
(ORDINANCE NO. 16437)

The City Clerk noted that this was a public hearing so any comments would be in order at this time.

MAYOR PRO-TEM QUILLMAN asked for an explanation.

The City Manager said this is an 11 acre parcel currently zoned single-family residential and there is a contract to purchase it, and the developer would like to rezone it for B-1 neighborhood business zoning. He said there is a Preliminary Plat that's been proposed that divides the property into four commercial lots, and the plan is for a potential gas station and convenience mart with other potential users being a retail strip shopping center, daycare center and possibly a bank. He said this went before the Plan Commission in February and was unanimously recommended for approval and staff is also recommending its approval.

MAYOR PRO-TEM QUILLMAN asked if there were any further comments, and being none, she closed the public hearing.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA moved that said Resolution and Ordinances be adopted.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN DORRIS.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN TURK, UREMOVIC, COUNCILWOMAN BARBER,  
COUNCILMEN BROPHY, DORRIS, GIARRANTE, SHETINA and  
MAYOR PRO-TEM QUILLMAN.

NAYS: NONE.

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E. Public Hearing re: 2009 Appropriation Ordinances for General Corporate Purposes and for Joliet Special Service Areas

1. AN ORDINANCE Making Appropriations for all Corporate Purposes for the Fiscal Year Beginning January 1, 2009 and Ending December 31, 2009 in and for the City of Joliet was presented and read.  
(Council Memo #189-09)  
(ORDINANCE NO. 16438)
2. AN ORDINANCE Making Appropriation for the 2009 Fiscal Year Beginning January 1, 2009 and Ending December 31, 2009 in and for the 1994 Special Service Area No. 1 (Target Shopping Center Project) was presented and read.  
(Council Memo #189-09)  
(ORDINANCE NO. 16439)
3. AN ORDINANCE Making Appropriation for the 2009 Fiscal Year Beginning January 1, 2009 and Ending December 31, 2009 in and for the 1996 Special Service Area No. 14 (Joliet City Center) was presented and read.  
(Council Memo #189-09)  
(ORDINANCE NO. 16440)
4. AN ORDINANCE Making Appropriation for the 2009 Fiscal Year Beginning January 1, 2009 and Ending December 31, 2009 in and for the 1999 Special Service Area No. 66 (Raceway Associates L.L.C.) was presented and read.  
(Council Memo #189-09)  
(ORDINANCE NO. 16441)
5. AN ORDINANCE Making Appropriation for the 2009 Fiscal Year Beginning January 1, 2009 and Ending December 31, 2009 in and for the 2008 Special Service Area No. 1 – Harwood/Scribner/Sterling Sanitary Sewer Improvements was presented and read.  
(Council Memo #189-09)  
(ORDINANCE NO. 16442)
6. AN ORDINANCE Making Appropriation for the 2009 Fiscal Year Beginning January 1, 2009 and Ending December 31, 2009 in and for the 2008 Special Service Area No. 2 – Campbell (Prairie to Raynor) was presented and read.  
(Council Memo #189-09)  
(ORDINANCE NO. 16443)
7. AN ORDINANCE Making Appropriation for the 2009 Fiscal Year Beginning January 1, 2009 and Ending December 31, 2009 in and for the 2008 Special Service Area No. 3 – Elizabeth (Hutchins to Moran) was presented and read.  
(Council Memo #189-09)  
(ORDINANCE NO. 16444)

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8. AN ORDINANCE Making Appropriation for the 2009 Fiscal Year Beginning January 1, 2009 and Ending December 31, 2009 in and for the 2008 Special Service Area No. 4 – Irving (Franklin to Eastern) was presented and read.  
(Council Memo #189-09)  
(ORDINANCE NO. 16445)
9. AN ORDINANCE Making Appropriation for the 2009 Fiscal Year Beginning January 1, 2009 and Ending December 31, 2009 in and for the 2008 Special Service Area No. 5 – Douglas/Wilcox was presented and read.  
(Council Memo #189-09)  
(ORDINANCE NO. 16446)
10. AN ORDINANCE Making Appropriation for the 2009 Fiscal Year Beginning January 1, 2009 and Ending December 31, 2009 in and for the 2008 Special Service Area No. 6 – Doris (Gardner to Retta) was presented and read.  
(Council Memo #189-09)  
(ORDINANCE NO. 16447)
11. AN ORDINANCE Making Appropriation for the 2009 Fiscal Year Beginning January 1, 2009 and Ending December 31, 2009 in and for the 2008 Special Service Area No. 7 – Nicholson (Campbell to Western) was presented and read.  
(Council Memo #189-09)  
(ORDINANCE NO. 16448)
12. AN ORDINANCE Making Appropriation for the 2009 Fiscal Year Beginning January 1, 2009 and Ending December 31, 2009 in and for the 2008 Special Service Area No. 8 – Allen (Hunter to Seeser) was presented and read.  
(Council Memo #189-09)  
(ORDINANCE NO. 16449)
13. AN ORDINANCE Making Appropriation for the 2009 Fiscal Year Beginning January 1, 2009 and Ending December 31, 2009 in and for the 2008 Special Service Area No. 9 – Helles (Willow to East End) was presented and read.  
(Council Memo #189-09)  
(ORDINANCE NO. 16450)
14. AN ORDINANCE Making Appropriation for the 2009 Fiscal Year Beginning January 1, 2009 and Ending December 31, 2009 in and for the 2008 Special Service Area No. 10 – William (Jefferson to Marion) was presented and read.  
(Council Memo #189-09)  
(ORDINANCE NO. 16451)

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15. AN ORDINANCE Making Appropriation for the 2009 Fiscal Year Beginning January 1, 2009 and Ending December 31, 2009 in and for the 2008 Special Service Area No. 11 – Wilcox (Mason to Ruby) was presented and read.  
(Council Memo #189-09)  
(ORDINANCE NO. 16452)
  
16. AN ORDINANCE Making Appropriation for the 2009 Fiscal Year Beginning January 1, 2009 and Ending December 31, 2009 in and for the 2008 Special Service Area No. 12 – Ivy (Margaret to Morris) was presented and read.  
(Council Memo #189-09)  
(ORDINANCE NO. 16453)

The City Clerk noted that this was a public hearing so any comments would be in order at this time.

MAYOR PRO-TEM QUILLMAN asked if there were any comments, and being none, she closed the public hearing.

COUNCILMAN TURK moved that said Ordinances be adopted.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN DORRIS.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC, COUNCILWOMAN BARBER,  
COUNCILMEN BROPHY, DORRIS, GIARRANTE, SHETINA, TURK  
and MAYOR PRO-TEM QUILLMAN.

NAYS: NONE.

Prior to his vote, COUNCILMAN SHETINA asked the City Manager for an explanation.

The City Manager said this establishes the appropriations for the 2009 year. He said in December we approved a budget that controls the expenditures and revenues for the City for this year and this is the legal document that follows up as far as the actual expenditures. He said we've taken the 2009 budget, increased a few line items that we think may increase as a result of some pension increases that we may see later on this year, but otherwise it mirrors the budget as approved by the City Council in December.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA said with respect to the assessed valuation is there any comment about that or how did we come out.

The City Manager said we have seen a dramatic increase in assessed valuation of the property in the City for several years and it's a result of the tremendous amount of growth that we've seen since the late 1980's. He said we will see some modest reduction in that in the next year or so because of the slow down in the economy and we actually think about 2 or 3 years from now there will be some impact because of the fact that we're not really building new houses or a lot of new shopping centers and we'll see the assessed valuation flatten a little bit. He said we may have some property owners who may seek to have their assessments reduced because of fair market value possibly dropping so we'll have to keep an eye on it and monitor it closely, but we're proud of what the City Council has done over the last 20 years to try to help build the assessed

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valuation and it's helped us do a lot of great things.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA asked how does it relate to the budget itself.

Director of Management and Budget Ken Mihelich stated on the 2009 budget we've worked with the County's Supervisor of Assessments office to look at what the projections would be for this upcoming year as far as the 2008 tax paid in 2009, and we feel very comfortable that our budget is OK for this year, but as the City Manager cautioned, in the outgoing years we do expect to see some impact from the economy.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA said so our levy should be covered by the assessed valuation and we'll be able to get our money out of it.

Mr. Mihelich said yes, they're pretty good about estimating it and based upon the prior pattern we've built in a little bit of cushion in case there are non-payments because of the economy and such, but we feel comfortable at this point.

COUNCILMAN BROPHY asked Mr. Mihelich to walk him through the first explanatory paragraph in the Council Memo on the General Obligation comment.

The Director of Management and Budget said what that's talking about is within the NIP funds we had borrowed about \$15 million in 2002 and essentially the principal interest portion will change as that is paid off, and so there is a small adjustment but it's entirely covered within the budget.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA asked what is the balance of the \$15 million.

Mr. Mihelich said he believes it's about \$9 million or \$10 million.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA asked what is the maturity date.

Mr. Mihelich said he thinks it's about 10 years from now.

**APPROVAL OF REGULAR CURRENT BILLS**

- A. Regular Payroll – January 24 – February 6, 2009 - \$3,166,896.36  
(Council Memo #190-09)

Biweekly Payroll Summary Reports of the total cost of regular salaries for the period January 24, 2009 through February 6, 2009 including a 2008 Overtime Budget Status Report and a Biweekly Summary of Overtime and Temporary Assignments were accompanied by a recommendation from the City Manager that said Regular Payroll be allowed.

- B. Regular Payroll – February 7 – February 20, 2009 - \$3,043,262.02  
(Council Memo #191-09)

Biweekly Payroll Summary Reports of the total cost of regular salaries for the period February 7, 2009 through February 20, 2009 including a 2009 Overtime Budget Status Report and a Biweekly Summary of Overtime and Temporary Assignments were accompanied by a recommendation from the City Manager that said Regular Payroll be allowed.

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COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE moved that the recommendations of the City Manager be concurred in.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN TURK.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILWOMAN BARBER, COUNCILMEN BROPHY, DORRIS, GIARRANTE, SHETINA, TURK, UREMOVIC and MAYOR PRO-TEM QUILLMAN.

NAYS: NONE.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

A. ORDINANCES

1. AN ORDINANCE Accepting the Dedication of Right-of-Way in Association with the Reconstruction of Stryker Avenue (Ferris – I-80) was presented and read.  
(Council Memo #192-09)

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE moved that said Ordinance be adopted.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN SHETINA.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN BROPHY, GIARRANTE, SHETINA, TURK, UREMOVIC, COUNCILWOMAN BARBER and MAYOR PRO-TEM QUILLMAN.

NAYS: NONE.

ABSTAIN: COUNCILMAN DORRIS.

(ORDINANCE NO. 16454)

2. Ordinance re: Approving an Amended Recapture Agreement for Watermain Improvements Adjacent to the Cherry Hill West Business Park  
(Council Memo #193-09)
3. Ordinance re: Establishing a Recapture Fee for Connection to the Watermain  
(Council Memo #193-09)
4. Ordinance re: Approving a Development Agreement with Unity Community Development Corporation for the Construction of Affordable Housing  
(Council Memo #194-09)

The City Clerk noted that these items were approved at the Pre-Council meeting yesterday.

5. AN ORDINANCE Approving the Vacation of a 2' Portion of a 30' Wide Public Utility and Drainage Easement Located at 2082 Oak Leaf Street as recommended by the Plan Commission was presented and read. (#V-2-09/Dist. #3)  
(Council Memo #195-09)

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COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE moved that said Ordinance be adopted.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN DORRIS, GIARRANTE, SHETINA, TURK, UREMOVIC,  
COUNCILWOMAN BARBER, COUNCILMAN BROPHY and MAYOR  
PRO-TEM QUILLMAN.

NAYS: NONE.

(ORDINANCE NO. 16455)

**B. RESOLUTIONS**

1. Resolution re: Requesting Authorization to Enter into a Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity Grant for Use by the Rialto Square Theatre  
(Council Memo #200-09)

The City Clerk noted that this item was approved at the Pre-Council meeting yesterday.

2. A RESOLUTION Approving and Authorizing the Execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement Between the City of Joliet and the State of Illinois for the Use of the Collins Street Prison Parking Lot was presented and read.  
(Council Memo #201-09)

COUNCILWOMAN BARBER moved that said Resolution be adopted.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN DORRIS.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN GIARRANTE, SHETINA, TURK, UREMOVIC,  
COUNCILWOMAN BARBER, COUNCILMEN BROPHY, DORRIS and  
MAYOR PRO-TEM QUILLMAN.

NAYS: NONE.

(RESOLUTION NO. 6244)

3. A RESOLUTION Approving and Authorizing an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Will County 9-1-1 Emergency Telephone System Board (ETSB) to Purchase Equipment for Fire Department Vehicles was presented and read.  
(Council Memo #202-09)

COUNCILMAN TURK moved that said Resolution be adopted.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK, UREMOVIC, COUNCILWOMAN  
BARBER, COUNCILMEN BROPHY, DORRIS, GIARRANTE and MAYOR  
PRO-TEM QUILLMAN.

NAYS: NONE.

(RESOLUTION NO. 6245)

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4. A RESOLUTION Appropriating Motor Fuel Tax Funds in the amount of \$1,567,863.23 for the 2009 Plant Mix Contract was presented and read. (Section No. 09-00414-00-RS)  
(Council Memo #203-09)

COUNCILMAN BROPHY moved that said Resolution be adopted.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN DORRIS.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN TURK, UREMOVIC, COUNCILWOMAN BARBER,  
COUNCILMEN BROPHY, DORRIS, GIARRANTE, SHETINA and  
MAYOR PRO-TEM QUILLMAN.

NAYS: NONE.

(RESOLUTION NO. 6246)

BIDS AND CONTRACTS

A. Award of Contracts

1. Approval for Renewal of Antivirus and Mail Security Applications and Licenses  
(Council Memo #207-09)

A report on four quotes received for the above contract was accompanied by a recommendation from the City Manager that the Mayor and Council award the contract to Magik Technology Solutions in the amount of \$10,348.78.

2. Award of Contract for the Printing of the Annual Water Quality Report - 2009  
(Council Memo #209-09)

A report on three proposals received for the above contract was accompanied by a recommendation from the City Manager that the Mayor and Council award the contract to Service Communications & Solutions in the amount of \$7,190.00.

3. Award of Contract for Professional Services for Laboratory Analyses for Industrial Pre-Treatment Monitoring  
(Council Memo #210-09)

A report on three proposals received for the above contract was accompanied by a recommendation from the City Manager that the Mayor and Council award the contract to TestAmerica Laboratories, Inc. in the amount of \$16,040.00.

4. Authorization to Approve the Purchase of a Snow Plow  
(Council Memo #211-09)

A report on three proposals received for the above contract was accompanied by a recommendation from the City Manager that the Mayor and Council award the contract to Monroe Truck Equipment in the amount of \$4,564.00.

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5. Award of Contract for Spoils Hauling - 2009  
(Council Memo #212-09)

A report on four bids received for the above contract was accompanied by a recommendation from the City Manager that the Mayor and Council award the contract to G-Three Corp. in the amount of \$36,505.00.

6. Authorization to Purchase Water Meters  
(Council Memo #213-09)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council award the contract to H & D Waterworks in the amount of \$69,909.00.

COUNCILMAN BROPHY stated he had questioned the ownership of the entities being awarded several contracts at the Pre-Council meeting yesterday. He said Purchasing Director Meg McEvilly had done significant diligence with regard to the background on each and he is completely satisfied.

The City Manager said we are looking at ways of trying to do that for all of our vendors and making sure we have that information for the Mayor and Council before they vote on it.

COUNCILMAN BROPHY moved that the recommendations of the City Manager be concurred in.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC, COUNCILWOMAN BARBER,  
COUNCILMEN BROPHY, DORRIS, GIARRANTE, SHETINA, TURK  
and MAYOR PRO-TEM QUILLMAN.

NAYS: NONE.

B. Change Orders and Payments:

1. Authorization to Approve Payment No. 1 and Final for the Joliet Match Funding of the Illinois Bureau of Tourism Attraction Development Grant to Renovate the Collins Street Prison Parking Lot  
(Council Memo #217-09)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Payment Estimate No. 1 and Final in the amount of \$49,597.41 on behalf of City Center Partnership, LLC.

2. Approve Adjusted Payment to the Plainfield Public Library District  
(Council Memo #218-09)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve the payment for the difference of \$94,954.17 due to the Plainfield Public Library District.

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3. Approve Payment No. 18 for the 2007 Municipal Building Remodeling Phase 2 Project  
(Council Memo #219-09)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Payment No. 18 in the amount of \$167,018.89 on behalf of R.L. Sohol.

4. Approve Change Order No. 1 for the Soils Testing Portion of the 2008 Biosolids Contract  
(Council Memo #220-09)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 1, a deduction in the amount of \$7,295.00 on behalf of Land Treatment Alternatives.

5. Approve Change Order No. 6 for the Eastside Wastewater Treatment Plant Digester Improvements Construction Project  
(Council Memo #221-09)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 6 in the amount of \$3,158.00 on behalf of Williams Brothers Construction.

6. Approve Progress Payment No. 13 for the Arbeiter Road Public Works Facility and the Gael Drive Fire Maintenance Facility  
(Council Memo #222-09)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Progress Payment No. 13 in the amount of \$84,197.46 on behalf of Tri-State Enterprises, Inc.

7. Approve Change Order No. 2 and Payment No. 4 and Final for the Allen (Hunter – Sesser)/Helles (Willow – East End)/William (Jefferson – Marion) Roadway Improvements – 2008 Neighborhood Improvement Program  
(Council Memo #223-09)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 2 in the amount of \$4,043.10 and Payment No. 4 and Final in the amount of \$19,179.10 on behalf of P.T. Ferro Construction Co.

8. Approve Change Order No. 6 and Payment Estimate No. 7 for the Taylor Street (Springfield – Westnedge)/Westnedge Road (Taylor – Douglas) Roadway Improvements Project – 2008 Neighborhood Improvement Program  
(Council Memo #224-09)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 6, a deduction in the amount of \$1,650.33 and Payment Estimate No. 7 in the amount of \$3,744.57 on behalf of P.T. Ferro Construction Co.

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9. Approve Amendment No. 4 and Payment for Professional Service Agreements Related to the Disposal of Biosolids Materials  
(Council Memo #225-09)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Amendment No. 4 in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.00 and Payment Estimate No. 16 in the amount of \$15,651.25 on behalf of Drinker Biddle Gardner Carton.

COUNCILMAN TURK moved that the recommendations of the City Manager be concurred in.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILWOMAN BARBER, COUNCILMEN BROPHY, DORRIS, GIARRANTE, SHETINA, TURK, UREMOVIC and MAYOR PRO-TEM QUILLMAN.

NAYS: NONE.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

A. Mayor Schultz - Appointments

The City Clerk advised MAYOR SCHULTZ is placing in nomination the appointment of William Ferguson to the Zoning Board of Appeals replacing Paul Briese.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE moved that the appointment of William Ferguson to the Zoning Board of Appeals be confirmed.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN BROPHY.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN BROPHY, DORRIS, GIARRANTE, SHETINA, TURK, UREMOVIC, COUNCILWOMAN BARBER and MAYOR PRO-TEM QUILLMAN.

NAYS: NONE.

Prior to his vote, COUNCILMAN TURK thanked Paul Briese for his many years of service, not only to the City with the Zoning Board but also as a long time Park District Board member and an all around great guy.

The City Clerk advised MAYOR SCHULTZ is placing in nomination the appointment of Willamena "Willie" Jaeger to the Tree Advisory Board.

COUNCILMAN DORRIS moved that the appointment of Willamena "Willie" Jaeger to the Tree Advisory Board be confirmed.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN DORRIS, GIARRANTE, SHETINA, TURK, UREMOVIC, COUNCILWOMAN BARBER, COUNCILMAN BROPHY and MAYOR PRO-TEM QUILLMAN.

NAYS: NONE.

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The City Clerk advised MAYOR SCHULTZ is placing in nomination the appointment of Thomas Bravato to the Plan Commission replacing Tom Mulvey.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE moved that the appointment of Thomas Bravato to the Plan Commission be confirmed.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN GIARRANTE, SHETINA, TURK, UREMOVIC,  
COUNCILWOMAN BARBER, COUNCILMEN BROPHY, DORRIS and  
MAYOR PRO-TEM QUILLMAN.

NAYS: NONE.

Prior to his vote, COUNCILMAN SHETINA stated Tom was another strong person on the Plan Commission and was very helpful, very vocal and very pro-City and when it was appropriate he was not pro-City. He said he thinks he made some good judgments on the Commission and we appreciate his service.

Prior to his vote, COUNCILMAN TURK said he agrees with COUNCILMAN SHETINA'S comments.

Prior to his vote, COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC stated he agrees that Tom did a fabulous job and we thank him very much.

COUNCILWOMAN BARBER wished the MAYOR a quick recovery and said she hopes he gets back to work soon.

COUNCILMAN BROPHY wished his Aunt, Sister Joyce Brophy, a Happy 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday. He said she grew up on Collins Street and went to Providence High School before she joined the Order and was also principal at St. Dennis School in Lockport.

COUNCILMAN DORRIS asked Kevin Breslin, attorney for CenterPoint, to step to the podium. He said there was a question of whether or not CenterPoint was honoring all of their agreements with the minority contractors. He said he met with Mr. Breslin tonight and there are some of the contractors here also. He said we had a good year last year and are looking for a better year this year, but he wanted Mr. Breslin to reiterate that they are still committed to do exactly what they said they were going to do and honor the agreements they've made. He said he wants to thank him for that and he knows all of the contractors here are anxious to get started.

Mr. Breslin stated he unequivocally reiterates on behalf of CenterPoint the commitments that they made when they started this process. He said COUNCILMAN DORRIS knows how engaged they've been and they will continue to do that. He said the commitments they have made with respect to minority participation and this process is unwavering; there is no change. He said they look forward to a lot of construction this year on that project.

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COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE said he understands that CenterPoint has no control over the railroad yard and who they hire. He asked if there is anything we can do to try to get them to use more local labor people.

Mr. Breslin stated he thinks there has been some initiative by Mayor Schultz to have communications with the entity that they believe will be the lead general contractor for the railroad. He said the railroad will let its own contracts; they own the land on which their rail yard will sit. He said he does know that CEO Mike Mullin has been part of those meetings with Mayor Schultz and with the representatives of the general contractor that will be the lead for the railroad to look long and hard and seek qualified contracting from within the greater Joliet community. He said he guesses the members of the Council can encourage those contracting sources to be active and to express their interest in the Council's wishes that local contractors be a big part of the program.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE said with all of the notoriety we're getting because of the budget problems he received a couple of phone calls and a letter concerning several things. He said one was about CenterPoint and they thought that we gave CenterPoint a tax break or a tax abatement and he assured them that we did not. He said when negotiations with CenterPoint began he was in a meeting with them and the subject of a tax abatement came up, and they were told if they wanted to kill this deal, keep talking tax breaks. He asked the City Manager if that was true.

The City Manager said that is true. He said there was a lengthy negotiation process that started on April 7<sup>th</sup> and ended on July 29<sup>th</sup>. He said there are no give backs, tax incentives or whatever you want to call it for the CenterPoint project. He said CenterPoint has been very diligent in delivering on all of its promises and as a matter of fact there are impact fee payments that have already been made by CenterPoint pursuant to the annexation agreement that the Mayor and Council approved. He said he doesn't even think we got to the point where there was a formal request from CenterPoint for incentives. He said he thinks they understood our position early on from our first meeting and there really wasn't any conversation about give backs, tax incentives, rebates or anything you want to call it.

The City Manager said it has been our economic stimulus package that has been benefiting the City of Joliet and the surrounding area by creating jobs immediately and has put a lot of people to work who would not have been working otherwise, especially in this bad economy. He said we're proud to have CenterPoint here. He said he goes to countless meetings where he deals with industrial developers and a lot of finance people and they are amazed at how much work is going on in Joliet right now and they're telling us that we'll probably get more out of this project than we would see coming from the Federal government through stimulus package dollars.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE said there's been talk in the newspaper about the possibility of not having an Easter Parade because we can't afford to pay the police overtime which may affect some other parades. He said one of the questions was how come we can pay for the police and fire personnel at the racetrack and we can't pay for the police at the downtown parade.

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The City Manager said the Chicagoland Speedway and the Route 66 Dragstrip pay for Police and Paramedic personnel that will be assigned to the 2009 races as they have done in previous years. He said the Police Officers and Firefighters working on the premises have always been hired by Chicagoland Speedway through the City and we are reimbursed for that expense. He said as far as the Easter Parade it's not our parade to cancel or to change. He said we told the sponsors that we're not in a position to volunteer to have the City pay for the police security services that have been provided in the past. He said we are willing to work with the sponsor of the parade in trying to minimize the expense but the reality is it is a very expensive process to close streets and to have the proper security there and we can't leave people exposed to danger by not having police coverage. He said he hasn't heard for sure that the parade has been cancelled but there will be several downtown events on Palm Sunday including an Easter egg hunt.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE said lastly the Police and Fire personnel are all off-duty personnel, they are not personnel that are on-duty.

The City Manager said yes, it's off-duty personnel that would be hired back to cover events like that.

COUNCILMAN TURK stated last Wednesday evening he and Councilwomen Barber and Quillman and Councilmen Giarrante and Uremovic attended the Deer Run Estates Homeowners Association meeting. He said some of the residents in that neighborhood have been dealing with severe flooding, even in moderate rains, and it has been an ongoing problem. He said he wanted to thank Public Utilities Director Jim Eggen and his crew for getting to the bottom of the problem and finding a solution. He also thanked Councilman Uremovic for working with the at-large Council people to come up with funding through his NIP.

COUNCILMAN TURK said yesterday evening they attended a meeting of the Edgecreek Homeowners Association. He said they have problems out there with water pressure and hopefully that should be resolved by mid-summer.

MAYOR PRO-TEM QUILLMAN wished the MAYOR a speedy recovery.

**ADJOURNMENT**

COUNCILMAN TURK moved that the Council recess at 7:05 p.m. to closed session to discuss personnel and collective bargaining after which the meeting will be adjourned.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK, UREMOVIC, COUNCILWOMAN BARBER, COUNCILMEN BROPHY, DORRIS, GIARRANTE and MAYOR PRO-TEM QUILLMAN.

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ARTHUR SCHULTZ  
Mayor

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JANET K. TRAVEN  
City Clerk

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