MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON AUGUST 9, 2017 IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF MARTINSVILLE, ILLINOIS.

Roll call was answered by the following council members and elected officials: Chris Davidson, Mike Cribelar, Melinda Lovell, John Skinner and David Doran with Troy Propst absent. Also in attendance were Mayor Herman Davidson, Clerk Marlene Wilhoit and Treasurer Melinda Owen. Employees and citizens in attendance are attached to the back of the minutes.

**Motion by J Skinner 2nd by D Doran to approve minutes from 07-26-17 council meeting. Upon roll call vote all council members present voted for the motion. (5)

**Motion by D Doran, 2nd by C Davidson to approve the treasurer report as presented. Upon roll call vote all council members present voted for the motion. (5)

**Motion by M Cribelar, 2nd by C Davidson to approve July 2017 bills payable in August 2017 in the amount of \$49,371.51.

Upon roll call vote all council members present voted for the motion. (5)

**Motion by M Cribelar, 2nd by J Skinner to approve ordinance number 2018-8-1 titled: "AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING CABLE AND VIDEO FEE."

Upon roll call vote all council members present voted for the motion. (5)

No one was present from Summer Rec Committee. Presentation of finances, by laws and minutes tabled until next meeting.

Shannon Woodard of Connor & Connor Engineering updated council on water tower project. The LMI survey (low to moderate survey) has been completed. We are still just a few short and are awaiting a list of names from Coles County Regional Planning. There are 3 things that are required for the application which has a deadline of December. The 3 things are the LMI survey, being able to show a threat to health and safety and project readiness (we must own the land tower is to be placed on and the construction permit must be in place). There is no leverage commitment required now but we will have to pay the engineering costs that would amount to around \$100,000. They will need permission from the City to proceed with this project knowing it will cost the City around \$50,000 to \$60,000. If we wouldn't get the approval this time we would only be out ½ of the cost.

**Motion by C Davidson, 2nd by D Doran to authorize approval for Connor & Connor Engineering to proceed with required permitting of the new water tower for the City of Martinsville. Upon roll call vote all council members present voted for the motion. (5)

Council discussed the water line improvement for the 2" line that goes from the corner of south York Street and 1200th Rd east to 8893 E 1200th Road. This was permitted 11 years ago but never done. The estimated cost to replace line would be approx. \$52,920.00. To get the permit renewed, the right of way researched and the bidding readied would cost approx. \$6,000.00.

**Motion by M Cribelar, 2nd by D Doran to approve Connor & Connor Engineering to move forward with bidding, permitting renewal and right of way search for the water line that extends from corner of south York Street and 1200th Rd.

Upon roll call vote all council members present voted for the motion. (5)

Council discussed the request from John Bishop to purchase property along Ridgelawn Road and this will be tables until a further date.

Chief Ryan Slater requested permission from council to hire an additional part time officer. Currently we have 3 part time officers that work as they can and an additional man will help the department.

**Motion by C Davidson, 2nd by J Skinner to allow hiring another part time police officer.

Upon roll call vote all council members present voted for the motion. (5)

Chief Slater also presented the council with his mission statement for the department. This is attached to the minutes.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

It was questioned as to the progress with the Talley Automotive project on north York Street and council was advised that Mr. Talley has the backing from the bank but is currently looking for investors. It was noted that the City will not be starting any projects for this business until there is actually work being done by Talley.

Motion by M Cribelar, 2nd by C Davidson to adjourn the meeting @ 8:05 PM Upon roll call vote all members present voted for the motion. (5)

Marlene Wilhoit