

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON DECEMBER 13, 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, Troy Propst, John Skinner and David Doran. 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 C Davidson to approve minutes from 11-22-17 council meeting, 11-22-17 committee meeting, 11-22-17 public hearing and 12-06-17 special meeting.
Upon roll call vote all council members present voted for the motion. (6)**

****Motion by M Cribelar 2nd by D Doran to approve the Treasurer's report as presented.
Upon roll call vote all council members present voted for the motion. (6)**

****Motion by D Doran 2nd by M Cribelar to approve November 2017 bills payable December 2017 in the amount of \$124,505.03.
Upon roll call vote all council members present voted for the motion. (6)**

****Shannon Woodard of Connor & Connor Engineering explained a bill that will be presented for approval at the December 27th meeting. The bill Invoice #12434-5 is for ½ of the design & project management for the New South Water Tower in the amount of \$34,450 and for grant application consulting in the amount of \$6,500 for a total of \$40,950. The other 50% of the design & project management will be due should the project proceed as well as cost for project site soil borings & reports estimated at \$9,000 and construction staking & project inspection estimated at \$48,000.
It was questioned about keeping the old "tin man" tower as a landmark: Mr. Woodard commented that towers are designed to stand full of water so it would be a bad idea to let it stand empty plus it contains lead paint and the inside has a grease coating. The tower has seen its life and liability wise it is not a good idea to preserve the tower.**

****Motion by M Cribelar 2nd by D Doran to approve the attached dates for 2018 council meetings and paid employee holiday's.
Upon roll call vote all council members present voted for the motion. (6)**

****Motion by J Skinner 2nd by C Davidson to approve the submitted changes to the Summer Recreation Board By-Laws
Upon roll call vote all council members present voted for the motion. (6)**

The Summer Recreation Board will have the list of nominees for the 2018 Summer Recreation Board members to the council for consideration by December 27, 2107

****In the council minutes for July 12, 2017 the council voted to purchase a new water truck from J & K Mitchell and a snow plow for this vehicle from Rahn Equipment not to exceed \$42,000. The truck is in use and the cost was \$34,692. The council would like to change the company to purchase the snow plow from and still be under the agreed amount not to exceed.**

****Motion by C Davidson 2nd by D Doran to purchase an 8 ½ foot stainless steel snow plow from Higgs Welding in Dietrich, Illinois for a cost of \$6,218.95.
Upon roll call vote all council members present voted for the motion. (6)**

****Motion by D Doran 2nd by C Davidson to keep confidential the minutes of the closed meetings for the City of Martinsville.**

Upon roll call vote all council members present voted for the motion. (6)

****Motion by D Doran 2nd by C Davidson to approve the amendments and additions to the Police Policy Manual.**

Upon roll call vote all council members present voted for the motion. (6)

****Council did not entertain the motion to give employee Christmas bonuses this year.**

****Motion by M Cribelar 2nd by C Davidson to give a \$100 gift certificate to the part time office help**

Upon roll call vote all council members present voted for the motion. (6)

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Rachel Wilson from the Summer Recreation Committee addressed the board about some maintenance issues at the ball park and some equipment purchases they need to make. She was informed that these items need to be brought to the council in writing to be addressed.

At 7:47 PM, Mayor Herman Davidson stated he would like to call a closed meeting to consider the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of a specific employee.

****Motion by T Propst 2nd by J Skinner to reconvene into regular meeting @ 8:20 PM.**

****Motion by C Davidson 2nd by J Skinner to hire Blaine Washburn as city police officer.**

Voting resulted in the following: Cribelar/no..Lovell/no..Propst/yes..Skinner/yes..Doran/no..Davison/yes with the Mayor voted to break the tie with a yes vote. Motion carried to hire Blaine Washburn as police officer with beginning date of January 15, 2018. An employee contract will be signed and paperwork filed with PTI for schooling.

Motion by M Lovell, 2nd by M Cribelar to adjourn the meeting @ 8:35PM

Upon roll call vote all members present voted for the motion. (6)

Marlene Wilhoit