

**MINUTES FROM THE MEETING OF THE ST. CHARLES CITY  
COUNCIL  
HELD ON MONDAY, APRIL 18, 2016 – 7:00 P.M.  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
2 E. MAIN STREET ST. CHARLES, IL 60174**

1. **Call To Order By Mayor Raymond Rogina at 7:01 P.M.**
2. **Roll Call.**  
**Present:** Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner, Bancroft  
Gaugel, Bessner, Lewis  
**Absent:** Krieger
3. **Invocation by Rita Payleitner.**
4. **Pledge of Allegiance.**
5. **Presentations**
  - Proclamation to welcome Toastmasters International District 54 Spring 2016 Conference on Friday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> and Saturday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2016.
  - Proclamation to declare April 29, 2016 as Arbor Day in the City of St. Charles.
6. **Motion by Stellato, seconded by Silkaitis to approve the Omnibus Vote.**  
ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner, Bancroft,  
Gaugel, Bessner, Lewis  
NAY: 0 ABSENT: Krieger  
MOTION CARRIED
- \*7. **Motion by Stellato, seconded by Silkaitis to approve and authorize issuance of vouchers from the Expenditure Approval List for the period of 03/28/2016 – 4/10/2016 in the amount of \$1,266,194.04.**  
ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner, Bancroft,  
Gaugel, Bessner, Lewis  
NAY: 0 ABSENT: Krieger  
MOTION CARRIED (Omnibus Vote)

**I. New Business**

- A. Motion by Stellato, seconded by Bancroft to approve a recommendation by Mayor Rogina to appoint Ms. Debi Mader to the St. Charles Visitors Cultural Commission.  
ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner, Bancroft,  
Gaugel, Bessner, Lewis  
NAY: 0 ABSENT: Krieger  
MOTION CARRIED
- B. Motion by Stellato, seconded by Turner to approve a recommendation by Mayor Rogina to appoint Ms. Sharon Spero to the St. Charles Visitors Cultural Commission.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner, Bancroft,  
Gaugel, Bessner, Lewis

NAY: 0 ABSENT: Krieger

MOTION CARRIED

- C. Motion by Bancroft, seconded by Turner to approve a recommendation by Mayor Rogina to appoint Mr. Keith Rollins to the Board of Fire & Police Commissioners.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner, Bancroft,  
Gaugel, Bessner, Lewis

NAY: 0 ABSENT: Krieger

MOTION CARRIED

- D. Presentation of Swearing in of the Board of Fire & Police Commissioners:

- Don Haines
- John Kennedy
- Cliff Carrignan
- Diane Kellett

- E. Motion by Stellato, seconded by Lemke to approve a recommendation from Mayor Rogina to approve appointments of the City Boards and Commissions Members for Fiscal Year 2016/2017.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner, Bancroft,  
Gaugel, Bessner, Lewis

NAY: 0 ABSENT: Krieger

MOTION CARRIED

- F. Motion by Bancroft, seconded by Stellato to approve a recommendation from Mayor Rogina to approve re-appointment of City Administrator for Fiscal Year 2016/2017.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner, Bancroft,  
Gaugel, Bessner, Lewis

NAY: 0 ABSENT: Krieger

MOTION CARRIED

- G. Motion by Bessner, seconded by Gaugel to approve a recommendation from Mayor Rogina to appoint Department Directors as recommended by City Administrator Mark Koenen for Fiscal Year 2016/2017.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner, Bancroft,  
Gaugel, Bessner, Lewis

NAY: 0 ABSENT: Krieger

MOTION CARRIED

Mark Koenen introduced the new Human Resources Director Jennifer McMahon.

- H. Motion by Stellato, seconded by Silkaitis to approve a recommendation from Mayor Rogina to approve re-appointment of Deputy City Clerk for Fiscal Year 2016/2017.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner, Bancroft,  
Gaugel, Bessner, Lewis

NAY: 0 ABSENT: Krieger

MOTION CARRIED

- I. Motion by Bancroft, seconded by Turner to approve a recommendation from Mayor Rogina to approve re-appointment of City Attorney for Fiscal Year 2016/2017.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner, Bancroft,  
Gaugel, Bessner, Lewis

NAY: 0 ABSENT: Krieger

MOTION CARRIED

- J. Motion by Turner, seconded by Stellato to approve a **Resolution 2016-39** for the Purchase of a Replacement Dive Rescue Trailer for the Fire Department and the Sale of the Current Trailer.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner, Bancroft,  
Gaugel, Bessner, Lewis

NAY: 0 ABSENT: Krieger

MOTION CARRIED

**Chief Schelstreet presented the following information:**

The Fire Department currently possesses a 1992 Pace American Dive Trailer. This trailer is utilized on water rescue calls that occur in the Fox River, local ponds and other bodies of water. The trailer has reached the end of its service life and the Fire Department has developed specifications for a new unit. In conjunction with the Foreign Fire Insurance Tax Board, bids were obtained from three manufacturers with Becker Custom Trailers being the successful vendor at a price estimated at \$53,228, which includes \$1,000 for plan design for the trailer. The Fire Department FY 16/17 budget contains \$18,000 to be utilized for the purchase of the trailer. At the April 6 meeting of the Foreign Fire Insurance Tax Board, an authorization vote was taken to contribute up to \$38,000 for the remaining costs. When discussing the scheduling for the trailer, staff learned that if we can begin the drawings immediately, the trailer can be delivered in August. If we delay the design/drawing process, production schedules will necessitate a minimum of an additional 10 weeks of lead time for delivery. Staff is requesting award of the contract so that we may begin the drawing and design process to minimize the lead time for delivery of the trailer. The City and the Board have worked together on multiple other projects successfully in the past. Upon receipt of the new trailer, the 1992 Pace American unit will be sold and the monies recouped will revert back to the Foreign Fire Insurance Board. This is a budgeted expense.

## **II. Committee Reports**

### **A. Government Operations**

1. Motion by Stellato, seconded by Silkaitis to approve a Resolution 2016-40 Authorizing the Mayor and the City Clerk of the City of St. Charles to Approve the Award of a 2017 Freightliner 114SD 6x4 66k Chassis, With Sewer Cleaning Equipment, to E J Equipment, Inc., and Approve Trade-in of Replaced 2012 Vactor 2112, Vehicle #1859.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner, Bancroft,  
Gaugel, Bessner, Lewis

NAY: 0 ABSENT: Krieger

MOTION CARRIED

**Darin Simon, 166 North 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue, St. Charles**

I sent a letter that you should have received. I come at you from two places. I am a resident of St. Charles and have been for about 13 years. Also I am a regional sales manager Elgin and Vactor. Elgin Sweeper Company is built in Elgin. We build street sweepers and build many of the components that go into Vactor sewer cleaners. You

have had a Vactor Sewer Cleaner for many years. We have had a long-standing relationship with the City. It was a surprise at the last meeting, we did get that decision delayed so that we could learn more about what objections you had that caused you to go to a different sewer cleaner provider. Since then we were able to get a meeting together with Director Suhr and Assistant Director Adesso along with Standard Equipment which is our local dealer. It was a productive meeting. I learned quite a bit from the director about what the process is that they go through to make decisions and purchasing decisions. I guess what I felt at that point is though I didn't get a strong feel for what the objections were for the product that they have today. I like to have more time to work with the actual team that made those evaluations and be able to address those concerns. A lot of this comes from we have a superior product for a couple of reasons. Our product runs on a single engine, the chassis engine, it runs on diesel fuel. The sewer cleaner in the resolution is a dual fuel unit so it runs off of diesel the chassis engine and the sewer cleaner runs off of gasoline. We really haven't used gasoline in about 30 years. The main reason, the gasoline engines are not made for the duty cycle that a sewer cleaner would use. One of the things that has pressured our whole industry is EPA emissions. We have abandoned the second engine in lieu of a single engine because it is a more elegant way to meet emissions. The engine will be used to its fullest potential. The cleaner in the resolution is two fuels. If you were to mix those fuels, you are going to create quite a problem with costly repairs. If you are looking at this from strictly a cost perspective we are actually the low price if you go apples to apples; if you compare single engine to single engine configuration wise. The residual value is probably is a big deal. We do all our building in house and we are ISO9000 certified. This has impact on the residual value in the amount of about 50%. In no way are we trying to discount the decisions of the team he put together, we are trying to understand things better. Even if you continue upon the path discussed, we need to know as a company what happened. Did you feel underserved, was it a service issue, etc. We would really like to know what that was and if we could have the opportunity to maybe restart the process or give us an opportunity to meet and have a technical discussion with the decision makers before you let this resolution to pass

**Roger Himron**

I am also a resident of St. Charles for many years. I am also an employee of Federal Signal. I want to emphasize, and that everyone is aware, that Elgin and Vactor are Federal Signal brand names. Federal Signal has made an investment in the City of St. Charles over the years to the tune of millions of dollars with various meetings ceremonies, meals, entertaining customers, etc. We have had a huge impact as far as our dollars spent locally. This has worked for us because our products have historically been offered here. A bit of folklore, the Mayor was interviewing students at Lincoln Elementary fourth graders and a student raised his hand and asked why the City of Elgin sweep our streets? You were running Elgin Street Sweepers. The next day you took our name off of the sweepers. We have had a long-term relationship with the City that we very much want to continue. We have residents from our factories that live here and pay taxes here. We do business with vendors in the City. We have entertained many potential customers here. And everyone that comes leaves with a very positive impression of the City. And our closing line is St. Charles is so

beautiful because they use our equipment to maintain it. I ask you to consider the economic impact of this decision you are making.

**Mayor Rogina**

I know we have received a copy of this letter and it is very thorough. I also want to say as Mayor here that I have great respect for the public works department and the team they put together. No one up here is an expert on these matters. We rely upon staff to provide us the information. That's why we have a committee process that sorts things out. The process works to a great extent. The memo presented to the Council by public works reflects a very thorough analysis of them coming to a decision. And that's what you have before you know to come to a decision based upon the committee's determination.

**Alder. Payleitner**

Is there any benefit to continuing this conversation? I understand from Mr. Himron and Mr. Simon they would like to learn.

**Peter Suhr, Director of Public Works**

I think in my mind no. I say that for several reasons. Number one, the Vaccon ]product that we received based on the qualifications that our team setup was the lowest cost. Not by much, but it was the lowest cost. The Vaccon equipment best meets the operational need for the two divisions that share this equipment both under the public works department the public services division and the environmental services division. I am also highly confident that the piece of equipment that we have received from Vaccon is the piece of equipment for public works. We had the opportunity a couple of years ago to use the Vaccon while the Vactor was being repaired. My team knows that. I think most importantly, I really trust the in house committee that I put together to give us their feedback, they have been working on this process for nine months. We have been working through the specifications and testing both products and we are very confident that the piece of equipment is the right piece of equipment. One thing that I might address is the suggestion that we have not given them feedback about what has happened, what can they do, to better their product or their service to us. I made it very clear to the Vactor organization that in essence they did nothing wrong. They have a very good company that has served this community well for the past 20 plus years. We recognize them as a good quality company and a good quality product. This is not about that. We also received a second company that is equally qualified. And then we went through the nine-month process with a team of six or seven in public works, the freight department and the purchasing department. I am very confident that we are making the right choice.

**Mayor Rogina**

If there is any further conversation, as Mr. Simon indicated, your door is always open.

**Peter Suhr**

The door is always open, I have already offered that.

**B. Government Services**

None

**C. Planning and Development**

- \*1. Motion by Stellato, seconded by Silkaitis to accept and place on file Plan Commission Resolution No. 1-2016 A Resolution Recommending Approval of a General Amendment to Ch. 17.12 “Residential Districts”, Section 17.12.020 “Permitted and Special Uses”; Ch. 17.14 “Business and Mixed Use Districts”, Section 17.14.020 “Permitted and Special Uses”; Ch. 17.20 “Use Standards”, Section 17.20.030 “Standards for Specific Uses”; and Chapter 17.30 “Definitions”, Section 17.30.020 “Use Definitions” (Alcohol/Tobacco Sales Establishment Use Category).  
ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner, Bancroft, Gaugel, Bessner, Lewis  
NAY: 0 ABSENT: Krieger  
MOTION CARRIED (Omnibus Vote)
- \*2. Motion by Stellato, seconded by Silkaitis to approve An **Ordinance 2016-Z-5** Amending Title 17 of the St. Charles Municipal Code Entitled “Zoning”, Ch. 17.14 “Business and Mixed Use Districts”, Section 17.14.020 “Permitted and Special Uses”; Ch. 17.20 “Use Standards”, Section 17.20.030 “Standards for Specific Uses”; and Ch. 17.30 “Definitions”, Section 17.30.020 “Use Definitions” (Alcohol or Tobacco Sales Establishment Use Category).  
ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner, Bancroft, Gaugel, Bessner, Lewis  
NAY: 0 ABSENT: Krieger  
MOTION CARRIED (Omnibus Vote)
- \*3. Motion by Stellato, seconded by Silkaitis to ratify a Planning & Development Committee Recommendation to Increase the Downtown Business Economic Incentive Program’s Boundaries to Include Properties Adjoining All Major Commercial Corridors.  
ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner, Bancroft, Gaugel, Bessner, Lewis  
NAY: 0 ABSENT: Krieger  
MOTION CARRIED (Omnibus Vote)
- \*4. Motion by Stellato, seconded by Silkaitis to accept and place on file Plan Commission Resolution No. 21-2015 A Resolution Recommending Approval of an Application for Special Use for PUD and PUD Preliminary Plan for Hillcroft Estates, 1147 Geneva Rd. (Hillcroft Estates, LLC).  
ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner, Bancroft, Gaugel, Bessner, Lewis  
NAY: 0 ABSENT: Krieger  
MOTION CARRIED (Omnibus Vote)
- \*5. Motion by Stellato, seconded by Silkaitis to approve an **Ordinance 2016-Z-6** Granting Approval of Special Use for Planned Unit Development and PUD Preliminary Plan for Hillcroft Estates, 1147 Geneva Road.  
ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner, Bancroft, Gaugel, Bessner, Lewis  
NAY: 0 ABSENT: Krieger  
MOTION CARRIED (Omnibus Vote)

**D. No Executive Session**

**E. Additional Items from Mayor, Council, Staff, or Citizens**

- Mayor Rogina wished Director Rita Tungare a happy birthday.
- Mayor Rogina also read the following obituary for Karl Cully Madsen former St. Charles Fire Chief.

Karl "Kully" Madsen was born to Christian Knudsen and Mary Otilia Madsen (nee Hendrickson) on August 12, 1921. He died at Delnor Hospital on April 8th. Following graduation from St. Charles High School, Kully served in Europe in the Army Air Force during World War II as a B-17 waist gunner in the 368th Bomb Squadron. Staff Sergeant Madsen flew the last of his 35 missions on his 23rd birthday, was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, and was honorably discharged. He returned to civilian life working with his dad in the family business, Madsen Dairy, delivering milk seven days a week. It was at this time that he married Edith Dombrowski, who grew up next to the dairy in downtown St. Charles. While at the dairy Kully joined the volunteer fire department in 1954. In 1959 he sold the dairy and became a full-time fireman. While on duty one night in December of 1962, Kully, working alone at the station, responded to a report of someone struggling in the icy river above the dam. A non-swimmer, Kully used a ladder to distribute his weight and inched out onto the ice for the rescue. The City awarded him a watch for his heroism. In 1965 Kully won appointment as the city's second full-time fire chief. Under his watch, the department established a model Fire Prevention Bureau, was the first department in the area to adopt the Opticom emergency vehicle traffic control system, and, for visibility reasons, painted the fire fleet lime-yellow. Kully was instrumental in the formation of Tri-Com, the 911 dispatch center for the Tri-Cities. Kully was a member of the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars. He also served as a St. Charles Township trustee. He was a long-time season ticket holder for the Chicago Bears, and life-long White Sox fan.

**F. Adjournment**

**Motion by Turner, seconded by Lemke to, to adjourn meeting**

VOICE VOTE

UNANIMOUS

MOTION CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 P.M.

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Nancy Garrison, City Clerk

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