

**MINUTES FROM THE MEETING OF THE ST. CHARLES CITY COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY, JULY 18, 2011 – 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 DeWitte at 7:04 P.M.

2. Roll Call.

Present: Stellato, Monken, Payleitner, Turner, Rogina, Martin, Krieger, Bessner,

Absent: Carrignan and Lewis

3. Invocation Alder. Payleitner.

4. Pledge of Allegiance

5. Presentations:

Year of the Veteran 2011 – Third Quarter Recognition – Mayor DeWitte and Colonel DiLiberti:

Andrew Balafas – US Army

Fred Hodor

Greg A. McKinney – US Marines

Stephen Swiertz

Dan Wagner – US Army

Dennis K. Deptula

William Jockel – US Army

Robert Phillips – US Air Force

Joe Vokoun – US Army

John Westphall – US Army

Riverfest Wrap-up – Presentation – Julie Farris, 716 S 9th Avenue, St. Charles.

It is my pleasure to thank all of you on behalf of the Pride of the Fox Inc., our board and committee members. On June 10-12 we celebrated our 29th annual Pride of the Fox Riverfest. A couple of highlights this year were that we had over 70 sponsors that participated in Riverfest and we raised a total of cash and trade-out value of over \$100K contributing to this fest this year. We also had a Festival guide that was printed in Neighbors' magazine and was distributed to 25K residents of St. Charles. This year we started a new venue at the VFW hall to salute our troops and we are proud to say that we had 86 letters that were done by our attendees to our soldiers overseas and they are going to be delivered with the Fox Valley Troops support help. We also expanded our craft show based on the recommendations of our attendees from previous years. We had the Kane County SWAT Team with the help of the St. Charles Police Department put on an incredible demonstration on 1st Street. If you were not there, they have guaranteed me they will be back next year. We also created this year a user-friendly website which will enable us to expand upon all the good venues and activities that we are doing. We are the first festival in St. Charles to have a video that showcases all the wonderful things about St. Charles done by Comcast who was one of our major sponsors. Visit the Comcast

website to look at our video. You will be seeing more of us as we are taking on another event in St. Charles. We are looking at taking on the St. Patrick's Day parade.

6. Motion by Martin, seconded by Krieger to approve the Omnibus Vote as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Monken, Payleitner, Turner,
Rogina, Martin, Krieger, Bessner,
NAY: 0 ABSENT: Carrigan and Lewis
MOTION CARRIED

***7. Motion by Martin, seconded by Krieger to accept and place on files minutes of the regular City Council meeting held on July 5, 2011.**

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Monken, Payleitner, Turner,
Rogina, Martin, Krieger, Bessner,
NAY: 0 ABSENT: Carrigan and Lewis
MOTION CARRIED (Omnibus Vote)

***8. Motion by Martin, seconded by Krieger to approve and authorize issuance of vouchers from the Expenditure Approval List as of July 14, 2011 in the amount of \$2,226,541.23 and the Hand-Issued List of July 14, 2011 in the amount of \$1,728.88.**

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Monken, Payleitner, Turner,
Rogina, Martin, Krieger, Bessner,
NAY: 0 ABSENT: Carrigan and Lewis
MOTION CARRIED (Omnibus Vote)

I. New Business

A. Motion by Stellato and second by Monken to approve an Acceptance Resolution of Public Watermain Extension for the Wal-Mart addition located at 150 Smith Road.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Monken, Payleitner, Turner,
Rogina, Martin, Krieger, Bessner,
NAY: 0 ABSENT: Carrigan and Lewis
MOTION CARRIED

II. Committee Reports

A. Government Operations

None.

B. Government Services

None

C. Planning and Development

- *1. Motion by Martin, seconded by Krieger to accept and place on file Plan Commission Resolution No. 8-2011 A Resolution Recommending Approval of a General Amendment to Title 17 Zoning, Chapter 17.12 Residential Districts; Chapter 17.14 Business and Mixed Use Districts; Chapter 17.16 Office/Research, Manufacturing, and Public Land Districts; Chapter 17.22 General Provisions pertaining to permitting and placement of Small Wind Energy Turbine Devices.
ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Monken, Payleitner, Turner,
Rogina, Martin, Krieger, Bessner,
NAY: 0 ABSENT: Carrignan and Lewis
MOTION CARRIED (Omnibus Vote)
- *2. Motion by Martin, seconded by Krieger to approve an **Ordinance 2011-Z-11** Amending Title 17 of the St. Charles Municipal Code Entitled "Zoning" Chapter 17.14 Business and Mixed Use Districts; Chapter 17.16 Office Research, Manufacturing, and Public Land Districts; Chapter 17.22 General Provisions (Wind Turbines).
ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Monken, Payleitner, Turner,
Rogina, Martin, Krieger, Bessner,
NAY: 0 ABSENT: Carrignan and Lewis
MOTION CARRIED (Omnibus Vote)
- *3. Motion by Martin, seconded by Krieger to accept and place on file Plan Commission Resolution No. 9-2011 A Resolution Recommending Approval of a Final Plat of Subdivision (Delnor Woods PUD – Unit No. 1).
ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Monken, Payleitner, Turner,
Rogina, Martin, Krieger, Bessner,
NAY: 0 ABSENT: Carrignan and Lewis
MOTION CARRIED (Omnibus Vote)
- *4. Motion by Martin, seconded by Krieger to approve an **Ordinance 2011-Z-12** Approving the Final Plat of Subdivision for Delnor Woods PUD Unit No. 1.
ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Monken, Payleitner, Turner,
Rogina, Martin, Krieger, Bessner,
NAY: 0 ABSENT: Carrignan and Lewis
MOTION CARRIED (Omnibus Vote)
- *5. Motion by Martin, seconded by Krieger to accept and place on file Plan Commission Resolution No. 10-2011 A Resolution Recommending Approval of a Map Amendment from RT3 Traditional Single-Family Residential District to CBD2 Mixed Use Business District (St. Charles Public Library).
ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Monken, Payleitner, Turner,
Rogina, Martin, Krieger, Bessner,
NAY: 0 ABSENT: Carrignan and Lewis
MOTION CARRIED (Omnibus Vote)
- *6. Motion by Martin, seconded by Krieger to approve an **Ordinance 2011-Z-13** Amending the Zoning Map (St. Charles Public Library-Block south of Walnut Ave).
ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Monken, Payleitner, Turner,
Rogina, Martin, Krieger, Bessner,
NAY: 0 ABSENT: Carrignan and Lewis

MOTION CARRIED (Omnibus Vote)

- *7. Motion by Martin, seconded by Krieger to accept and place on file Historic Preservation Commission Resolution No. 4-2011 A Resolution Recommending Approval of a Façade Improvement Grant Application (105 N 2nd Avenue-Hunt/Townhouse Books).
ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Monken, Payleitner, Turner,
Rogina, Martin, Krieger, Bessner,
NAY: 0 ABSENT: Carrignan and Lewis
MOTION CARRIED (Omnibus Vote)
- *8. Motion by Martin, seconded by Krieger to approve a Façade Improvement Agreement regarding 105 N. 2nd Avenue (David Hunt, Townhouse Books).
ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Monken, Payleitner, Turner,
Rogina, Martin, Krieger, Bessner,
NAY: 0 ABSENT: Carrignan and Lewis
MOTION CARRIED (Omnibus Vote)
- *9. Motion by Martin, seconded by Krieger to accept and place on file Historic Preservation Commission Resolution No. 5-2011 A Resolution Recommending Approval of a Façade Improvement Grant Application (318-320 W. Main St.-Choice Commercial Properties).
ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Monken, Payleitner, Turner,
Rogina, Martin, Krieger, Bessner,
NAY: 0 ABSENT: Carrignan and Lewis
MOTION CARRIED (Omnibus Vote)
- *10. Motion by Martin, seconded by Krieger to approve a Façade Improvement Agreement regarding 318-320 W. Main Street (Choice Commercial Properties).
ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Monken, Payleitner, Turner,
Rogina, Martin, Krieger, Bessner,
NAY: 0 ABSENT: Carrignan and Lewis
MOTION CARRIED (Omnibus Vote)

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

Gene Kalley, 510 Longmeadow Drive, St. Charles. I see where the City Council passed the contract for the electrical workers. How does the electrical workers' pay rank with the private industry?

Kathy Livernois: I would be more than happy to answer any questions you have regarding the IBEW, but with regard to the private, we do not look at the private sector for our quotas. We look at comparable communities

Gene Kalley: Why don't you look at private industry?

Kathy: They don't usually give us the information because they don't have to.

Gene Kalley: They don't have to but you could join the associations that provide the information at a very reasonable rate.

Kathy: I am more than happy to address that with you if you would like to have a meeting with me on how comparable communities work.

Gene Kalley: I guess what I am concern about is City Council passed this and it seems that nobody on the Council knows what the going rate is for electrical workers. It looks like we are paying them 25% more on base pay and 25% more on benefits than private industry; so it looks like the City Council is not frugal.

Mayor DeWitte: You are entitled to your opinion.

Gene Kalley: So you are not concern that the City doesn't compare private industry rates with the City rates.

Mayor DeWitte: I'm comfortable that the information that is collected by our HR department that we used to establish wages for our bargaining units; we have all the information that we need to make intelligent decisions on how we spend our taxpayers money.

Gene Kalley: Even if its 25% more than private industry? I know your HR department doesn't get that information for you, but you seem to be satisfied with that.

Mayor DeWitte: It's apples to oranges. We can't negotiate based on a private sector environment with a collective bargaining unit.

Gene Kalley: So you're saying you only can compare high union salaries for St. Charles, not what companies around St. Charles are paying?

Mayor DeWitte: Are you suggesting that ComEd is paying their people less money than municipal workers?

Gene Kalley: How about Motorola, GE, Caterpillar?

Mayor DeWitte: Do they even have linemen in their employment basis?

Gene Kalley: You don't think they would have high voltage electricians in their plants? That's what I'm concern about. You don't know and you are not concern that the City doesn't know.

Mayor DeWitte: I think you could have a very fruitful conversation with Ms. Livernois to maybe head us down that path.

Ald. Krieger: I had the misfortune of having an electrician for 1-1/2 hours and it cost me \$137.78. I'm sure our linemen are not making that kind of money.

Gene Kalley: Oh, but they are! Did you say \$37? \$137 for what?

Ald. Krieger: To check an electrical connection.

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Gene Kalley: Do you know how much they are making per hour? You don't know and I think the City should know.

F. Adjournment

Motion by Monken, seconded by Stellato to adjourn meeting

VOICE VOTE

UNANIMOUS

MOTION CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 7:25 P.M.

Nancy Garrison, City Clerk

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