



*ROBINS CITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2016 MEETING*

*Mayor Hinz called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Robins City Hall on Monday, August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016. After the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, roll call was taken with Councilors Roger Overbeck, Brad Sevcik, Don Norton, Dick Pilcher and Marilyn Cook present along with City Engineer Kelli Scott, Planning and Zoning Administrator Dean Helander, City Attorney Don Hoskins, Building Official Vince Bading, Officer Gary Manhart, Fire Chief Brian Boots, City Clerk/Treasurer Lori Pickart and around 15 guests present.*

*Norton moved to approve the agenda, Cook seconded and all voted aye.*

*COMMITTEE REPORTS*

- ~ Mayor Chuck Hinz reported the engineering for the reconstruction of Main Street continues. He noted the census has been completed adding we should be receiving the final numbers within the next 4-6 weeks.*
- ~ Public Works Coordinator Roger Overbeck noted the sewer fees to residents as well as the increase to the Cedar Rapids treatment plant have increased as anticipated.*
- ~ Streets Coordinator Brad Sevcik deferred to Streets Superintendent Vince Bading who noted the contractor is working on asphaltting N. Troy Road, adding the seal coating for the year has been completed.*
- ~ Parks Coordinator Don Norton advised the public of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Bluegrass and Barbeque Festival on August 6<sup>th</sup> at the S. Troy Park.*
- ~ Safety Coordinator Dick Pilcher thanked the Robins Fire Department for hosting the Mass Casualty Drill as it provided very good training for all involved.*
- ~ Finance Coordinator Marilyn Cook noted discussion of a bond sale follows on the agenda.*
- ~ Engineer Kelli Scott noted the contractor is working on the decking of the bridge in the S. Troy Park. She added the Cypress/Hickory Court drainage problem should be commencing tomorrow.*

*CITIZEN COMMENTS – AGENDA ITEMS*

- ~ None*

*CITIZEN COMMENTS – NON-AGENDA ITEMS*

- ~ Tim Wilson, 521 Chestnut Drive noted he wants chickens, adding he has had them for the past 16 months and now the city is trying to make him get rid of them. He noted Marion and Cedar Rapids allow chickens and added they want healthy eggs. He advised the council he wants to be on the sub-committee to put a chicken ordinance together.*

- ~ Fire Chief Brian Boots advised the Council of the need to upgrade their computer software as their current software is obsolete. He also asked the council to consider setting up an ordinance enabling the department to bill for fire/medical false alarms. He voiced his concerns relating to the new computer server the police department installed in the public safety storage office, noting the back wall of the room is at 103°, adding he has concerns relating to the storage of other items in the room. Bading noted he is looking at exhaust fans to help solve the problem.
- ~ Greg Ervin, 3318 Aster Lane commented he would like to be on the committee to work with the council and Tim Wilson relating to the chicken ordinance.

#### CONSENT AGENDA

Pickart provided additional bills be added to the Consent Agenda. Sevcik moved to approve the Consent Agenda including the additional bills submitted, Pilcher seconded. Items included were the Minutes of the July 6<sup>th</sup>, 2016 meeting; the Financial Report, the List of Bills submitted and added to; and Resolution No. 0816-5, approving pay request #6 to Peterson Contractors in the amount of \$25, 923.23 for work done on the S. Troy Park trail and bridge. On the vote, all voted aye.

#### OLD BUSINESS

- a. **Utility Relocation Agreement.** Mayor Hinz noted this was on last month's agenda for discussion. Cook moved to approve the agreement with Interstate Power and Light to relocate electric lines underground along Main Street in the amount of \$157,679, Norton seconded. On the vote, all voted aye.
- b. **Otter Creek Country Stores.** Scott noted Snyder and Associates have performed the final walkthrough of the convenience store and site, including Burd Lane. She noted all items have been completed and the Maintenance Bonds and Waiver of Mechanic's Liens have been provided to the City. She recommended approval of Resolution No. 0816-1, accepting the public improvements for the Otter Creek Country Store and to provide payment reimbursing them for the Burd Lane as indicated in Development Agreement #2014-01. Sevcik moved to approve Resolution No. 0816-1, Overbeck seconded. On the vote, all voted aye.

#### NEW BUSINESS

- a. **2016 Leaf Pickup.** Overbeck noted 6 requests for quotes were sent out with two responses received. He noted he talked with the low bidder, Greg's Lawn and Landscaping who has two single operator vacuum trucks and one vacuum truck and trailer. He noted the pickup dates are scheduled for the weeks of October 31<sup>st</sup> and November 28<sup>th</sup>. He noted the contractor stated he is flexible with the dates depending on the leaf fall. Pilcher moved to approve Resolution No. 0816-4, accepting the quotation of Greg's Lawn and Landscaping to provide city wide leaf pickup for 2016, Overbeck seconded and all voted aye.

- b. Robins 9U Baseball Instructional team (RBI).** Louie Ervin noted he has been the youth baseball coordinator for the past several years. He added RBI provides a lot of positive influences to the kids and makes them good ambassadors. He added having Robin's sponsored teams is a benefit for the city as they play all over the state and represent Robins well. He added RBI has become self-funded with the help of donations from several businesses and the city. He recommended both the 9U and 13U teams be acknowledged by the City of Robins. Norton moved to approve Resolution No. 0816-2 acknowledging the 9U baseball team, Sevcik seconded and all voted aye.
- c. Robins 13U Baseball Instructional team (RBI).** Sevcik moved to approve Resolution No. 0816-3 acknowledging the Robins 13U Baseball Instructional Team, Norton seconded and all voted aye.
- d. \$3,000,000 Bond Sale.** Cook noted the city needs to sell bonds to be able to move forward with the Main Street Reconstruction and to secure funding for the Marion segment of the Indian Creek Sewer upgrade. Overbeck moved to direct city staff to move forward with the bond sale and related steps, Pilcher seconded and all voted aye.
- e. City Park Surveillance Systems.** The Council reviewed the two proposals and advised city staff to do additional research and report back to the council.
- f. Building Official Truck.** Bading provided three proposals for a 2017 Ford Escape. He noted the lowest bid provided by Lynch in Mount Vernon would be his recommendation. He added this vehicle is 4-wheel drive and has everything he needs and added this includes the trade in of the city's Ford Ranger pickup. He noted the other two quotes are the same vehicle with more bells and whistles which are not necessary. Norton moved to approve the proposal received from Lynch in Mount Vernon in the amount of \$20,525.00, Plicher seconded and all voted aye.

Sevcik moved to adjourn at 7:59 p.m., Overbeck seconded and all voted aye.

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Chuck Hinz, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Lori D. Pickart, City Clerk/Treasurer