Keithsburg City Council Minutes
Held at 302 S. 14th Street
August 8, 2011

Mayor Askew Opened the Meeting at 6:30 PM

Alderman Physically Present: Maxine Henry, Davina Logsdon, George Askew, Neil Nylin and Jeff Gilmour. Roy Pritchett was absent.

Minutes of last month meeting: Davina made a motion to accept; Neil seconded, accepted by all.

Cash Receipts: Neil made a motion to accept; Davina seconded, accepted by all.

Cash Disbursements: Maxine made a motion to accept; Davina seconded, accepted by all except George who voted not at this time.

Part-Time Police Officer Applications: Brian Simpson, Jonathon Occhi, Eric Schultz, Chad Goff and Paul Coppola. Maxine made a motion to discuss the applications in closed meeting; Neil seconded, accepted by all.

Administration Ticket Ordinance: Chief Robinson explained any ordinance violations listed in Exhibit 1 is a $50.00 violation. See attached Exhibit 1 for a list of the ordinances that would be enforced. Davina asked if all tickets would $50.00, because the County fine is $500. Robinson also explained the wheel tax is included in the list. Neil made a motion to accept the ordinance but adding the violation for a second offense will double suggested revising the ordinance to read $50.00 fine for the first offense and a $100.00 fine for the second offense, Davina seconded, accepted by all. The ordinance books will cost $118.79 for 3 part copies. Davina made a motion to accept; Neil seconded, accepted by all.

Semi-Parking Issue: Neil explained the city doesn't have the money to rock the area at the ballpark as discussed last month, plus as Steve Nylin had informed the council the back part of the ballpark has been spoken for in the marina plan. Neil made a motion not to build a parking area and when it dries out they can start parking back down at 4th & Jackson, Maxine seconded, accepted by all. The council agreed there would be no dropping of trailers, no parking on Main Street and no parking where it distracts traffic. The ordinance will be revised and presented back to the council next month.

Tim Gilmour Property Access: Mayor Askew explained we are waiting on the levee grant to address this issue.

Campground: Maxine explained the emergency backup lights for the bathrooms will cost $316.70. The lights plug in and have a battery backup. Davina made a motion to accept; Jeff seconded, accepted by all.

Amber's Little Angels Daycare Special Use Permit: Neil made a motion to accept; Maxine seconded, accepted by all.

MSA Professional Services (Engineers): Steve Haring was present and dropped off the 3 packets for IKE Grants. He also suggested the council consider applying for funds to have a comprehensive planning study done.

Possible Housing Project: Don St. Germaine (Mercer County Supervisor of Assessments and Economic Development); Susan Roberts (First National Bank Mortgage Loan Officer); and Jason Harder (Ripley's Affordable Housing) were all present and discussed several different options regarding housing projects. Don and Jason both talked about the need for additional housing in our area. Susan Roberts explained they have 100% financing available through USDA rural development or FHA loans that only require 3 ½%

down (new construction loans only). Susan has a program to improve your credit score if necessary. FHA has no limit other than the cost to build cannot be higher than $271,000.

Water/Sewer: Davina suggested the city purchase a new locator for locating water and sewer. The locator Steve Nylin priced was $780.00. Mayor Askew was concerned it would be no better than the one we already have and he suggested having the company bring different ones down and test them. Davina made a motion to accept; Neil seconded, accepted by all.

Fire Department: Mayor Askew explained the grant writer Steve Myer contacted him and the grant opening is next Friday. Directly after that we will be sending the $750 payment to him, plus the Fire Department will owe $750.

Police Department: Mayor Askew explained the squad car needed a new motor and radiator and the repairs were going to cost $4,000-$5,000. He located and purchased a 2008 Ford Crown Vic for $5,115.00 and went and picked it up Saturday, the only thing wrong is the paint is peeling on top of the hood that will cost $414.00 to repaint the entire top. Neil made a motion to accept the purchase of the squad; George seconded, accepted by all. Mayor Askew has been checking prices on a cage, lights etc. Davina made a motion to accept purchasing the used one for $75.00; Maxine seconded, accepted by all. Askew explained they would have to find out who is going to install the lights and radio because he is not going to have the time. George made a motion to get the paint job done, Davina seconded, accepted by all. Kevin from Galesburg Communications could do the wiring. Maxine made a motion to have George contact Darrell Askew and hire him if it will be cheaper than Galesburg Communications, Davina seconded, accepted by all.

Campground: George Askew suggested giving Ben $200.00 for helping put the new campsites in. Maxine made a motion to accept; Neil seconded, accepted by all except Davina who abstained. Neil suggested updating the bathrooms. Davina complimented George Lyle on how nice the fish cleaning table works.

Fish Fest: The committee would like the council's approval to sell beer from 11:00am-2:00am at the Fish Fest to be held on September 3, 2011. Terri contacted the Illinois Liquor Control Commission and we are required to apply for a Special Event Retailer's Liquor License. The application fee is $25.00. The City's current insurance policy includes the dram shop insurance rider at no additional cost. Also, asking the council to waive the city's special event license application fee. George made a motion to accept; Maxine seconded, accepted by all. There will also be a Golf Cart parade Friday night the lineup is at 6:30 on the north end of the campground and the parade starts at 7:00. No prized it is just for fun. Maxine made a motion to accept; Neil seconded, accepted by all.

IKE Funding Grant: Environmental Exemption Form for the Levee Grant. Application Number 37568 and Grant Number 08-354064. Maxine made a motion to accept; Neil seconded, accepted by all.

IKE Funding Grant: Environmental Exemption Form for Streets Grant Application Number 37573 and Grant Number 08-354065. Davina made a motion to accept; Maxine seconded, accepted by all.

IKE Funding Grant: Environmental Exemption Form for Storm Water Pumps Grant Application Number 37571 and Grant Number 08-354005. Davina made a motion to accept; Neil seconded, accepted by all.

IKE Funding Grant Requirements: The following are also required for the grants. Code of Conduct Resolution, Policy on the Prohibition of the Use of Excessive Force, Procurement Policy Resolution, and Residential Anti-Displacement and Relocation. Davina made a motion to accept; Neil seconded, accepted by all.

Equal Employment Policy: Ordinance No. 2, Series 2011. Maxine made a motion to accept; Neil seconded, accepted by all.

George made a motion to go into closed session to discuss the part-time police applications; Neil seconded, accepted by all.

Part-Time Police Officer Applications:

Davina made a motion to interview Chad Goff, Jonathon Occhi and Brian Simpson, Neil seconded, accepted by all.

Part-Time Police Officer Applications:

Chad Goff was the only applicant that is qualified to be a police officer. Davina made a motion to give authorization to hire Chad Goff after the interview and pay him $10.50 an hour if he is able to do the work, Neil seconded, accepted by all.

Maxine made motion to adjourn, Jeff seconded, accepted by all.

Time: 7:32pm

Terri Gibson
City Clerk