

**REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 8, 2008 - 7:00 P.M.**

Mayor Nolan called the City Council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the pledge to the flag. Clerk Wells called roll. Aldermen present: Leyden, Marzahl, Ulmer, Szczap, Adams, Logan, Perkins and Hay. Also present were City Administrator Nelson, Chief Kazy-Garey, Code Enforcement Officer Brennecke, Community Development Director Santeler, Public Works Supt. Kruckenberg, City Attorney Carlos Arévalo and members of the audience.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION: NONE

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF 12/11/07 - APPROVED

Moved by Logan, seconded by Adams to approve the Regular City Council Meeting Minutes of December 11, 2007, as presented. Aldermen voting aye: Leyden, Marzahl, Ulmer, Szczap, Adams, Logan, Perkins and Hay. All ayes. Motion carried.

MCHEMRY CO. BOARD OF REVIEW/REQUEST FOR CHANGE IN ASSESSED VALUE

The City Council reviewed the notices received from the McHenry County Board of Review for a change in assessed value for properties located at 201 W. Harrison St. and 56-58 Autumn Glen Drive. City Administrator Nelson noted that in order to file an appeal, the City would have to provide evidence which would include hiring an appraiser. No action taken.

HARVARD MILK DAYS RESOLUTIONS, REQUEST FOR FUNDING AND WAIVER OF OUTDOOR MARKET FEES - APPROVED

Moved by Logan, seconded by Adams to approve Harvard Milk Days requests as follows:

- ☞ Resolution Declaring the 67th Harvard Milk Days June 6-8, A Legal Holiday
- ☞ Resolution to Close Route 173 between Garfield & Division Street for Parade
- ☞ Request for funding for fireworks display
- ☞ Waiver of Outdoor Market Fees for Farm Tour vendors, Ag/Commercial Tent vendors, Craft Show vendors and local civic organization that sells food during the Craft Show; Game, Novelty vendors and Food concessions at the Milk Day Grounds; Horse Show Concessions/Vendors; Milk Run Booth

Roll call vote: Leyden, aye; Marzahl, aye; Ulmer, aye; Szczap, aye; Adams, aye; Logan, aye; Perkins, aye and Hay, aye. Motion approved eight to zero.

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Chairman Perkins reviewed the Parks & Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes of December 5th, 2007. The Committee met to discuss Harvard Milk Days' proposal to construct a building at Milky Way Park. The Parks & Recreation Committee recommends to the City Council that Harvard Milk Days be authorized to construct the building with details as to location and building codes to be worked out with staff; colors of the building to be earth tones to match existing structures at the park and with the addition of at least two cupolas on the roof line. Clerk Wells reviewed his memo noting that a hearing before the Planning and Zoning Commission for an accessory use variation would set a precedent on all our parks so that any other structures that are erected in our parks would require a public hearing before the Planning and Zoning Commission. Clerk Wells recommended that the City Council petition the Planning and Zoning Commission for a text amendment to Section 17.36.050 which would exempt city owned property from accessory building sizes with the following conditions:

1. All buildings shall be for non-profit or community use only
2. All building plans, schematics and blueprints shall be submitted to and approved by the Community Development Director
3. Final placement and permission to erect said buildings shall be determined and approved by the consent of the Harvard City Council.

Moved by Perkins, seconded by Ulmer to approve the Parks and Recreation Committee's recommendation and to direct staff to prepare and submit a petition for a text amendment as outlined by the City Clerk to the Planning and Zoning Commission with final determination on the wording to be determined by the City

Attorney. Roll call vote: Marzahl, abstain; Ulmer, aye; Szczap, aye; Adams, aye; Logan, aye; Perkins, aye; Hay, aye and Leyden, aye. Motion approved seven to zero, with one abstention.

ITEMS REFERRED TO PUBLIC PROPERTY COMMITTEE FOR REVIEW 01/14/08

Mayor Nolan noted the following items to be referred to the Public Property Committee for review:

1. Ayer Street Update
2. IDOT Agreements
3. Public Works Intergovernmental Agreements with MCCOG
4. Tim Galvin Request

Chairman Ulmer called a Public Property Committee meeting for Monday, January 14th, 2008, @ 6:30 p.m.

INFORMATION: MCCOG MEETING

The MCCOG Meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 23rd at Biaggi's in Algonquin. The Mayor noted that Harvard hosts the meeting on Wednesday, February 20th at Adriana's.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- ☞ St. Joseph's "Night of Knights" Raffle Application: January 3rd - April 12th, 2008
- ☞ Harvard Wrestling Club Raffle Application: January 26th, 2008

Moved by Perkins, seconded by Hay to approve the Consent Agenda. Aldermen voting aye: Leyden, Marzahl, Ulmer, Szczap, Adams, Logan, Perkins and Hay. All ayes. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ALD. HAY – ORDINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING 01/16/08

Chairman Hay called an Ordinance Committee Meeting for Wednesday, January 16th, 2008, at 7 p.m. to discuss the Illinois Clean Indoor Act.

ALD. LOGAN - BILLS APPROVED

Moved by Logan, seconded by Adams to approve the bills as presented in the amount of \$225,282.64. Roll call vote: Ulmer, aye; Szczap, aye; Adams, aye; Logan, aye; Perkins, aye; Hay, aye; Leyden, aye and Marzahl, aye. Motion approved eight to zero.

ALD. MARZAHN – WATER & SEWER COMMITTEE MEETING 01/16/08

Chairman Marzahl called a Water & Sewer Committee Meeting for Wednesday, January 16th, 2008, at 7 p.m. to discuss Well #7.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Nolan reported on the tornado and train derailment in Lawrence that occurred on Monday, January 7th and commended Chief Kazy Garey and Trustee Tom Condon, President of the Harvard Fire Protection District for their departments' efforts working together over the last 24 hours in dealing with the situations both in Harvard and Lawrence.

CLERK'S REPORT - UPCOMING MEETING DATES

- January 14 Public Property Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
- January 15 Events Committee Meeting, 5 p.m.
- January 16 Ordinance Committee Meeting, 7 p.m.
Water & Sewer Committee Meeting, 7 p.m.
- January 22 Regular City Council Meeting, 7 p.m.

DEPARTMENT HEADS REPORTS

Smith Engineering & Dept. Heads: Reports as submitted.

Chief Kazy-Garey reported that Sgt. Mark Krause recently graduated from the FBI National Academy. Sgt. Krause addressed the City Council and expressed his gratitude for the opportunity to attend the 11 week

course. Mayor Nolan thanked Sgt. Krause for his willingness to continue his education and for the excellent job he does for the City of Harvard.

Supt. Kruckenberg reported on the snow amount received in December. The Mayor commended his crew for a fine job with snow plowing.

Community Development Director Santeler noted the 2007 Year End Report was in the aldermen's folders.

NO REPORTS

City Attorney Carlos Arévalo, Administrator Nelson, Treasurer Meseck and Aldermen Leyden, Ulmer, Szczap, Adams and Perkins had no report at this time.

At 7:15 p.m., moved by Logan, seconded by Perkins to adjourn the meeting. Aldermen voting aye: Leyden, Marzahl, Ulmer, Szczap, Adams, Logan, Perkins and Hay. All ayes. Motion carried.

Submitted by:

Andy Wells,
City Clerk

Date