

The City Council of the City of Mattoon held a rescheduled meeting in the City Hall Council Chambers on January 9, 2014.

Mayor Gover presided and called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Mayor Gover led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following members of the Council answered roll call physically present: YEA Commissioner Dave Cox, YEA Commissioner Sandra Graven, YEA Commissioner Rick Hall, Absent Commissioner Preston Owen, and YEA Mayor Tim Gover.

Also physically present were City personnel: City Administrator Kyle Gill, City Attorney Janett Winter-Black, Finance Director/Treasurer Beth Wright, Public Works Director Dean Barber, Fire Chief Tony Nichols, Police Chief Jeff Branson, Arts & Tourism Director Angelia Burgett, and City Clerk Susan J. O'Brien.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Gover seconded by Commissioner Cox moved to approve the consent agenda consisting of minutes of the regular meeting December 17, 2013; Fire report for the month of November, 2013; bills and payroll for the last half of December, 2013.

Bills and Payroll for the last half of December, 2013

	<u>General Fund</u>		
Payroll		\$	500,663.54
Bills		\$	<u>838,150.20</u>
	Total	\$	1,338,813.74
	<u>Hotel Tax Administration</u>		
Payroll		\$	4,852.48
Bills		\$	<u>742.50</u>
	Total	\$	5,594.98
	<u>Festival Management</u>		
Bills		\$	<u>19.48</u>
	Total	\$	19.48
	<u>Insurance & Tort Judgment</u>		
Bills		\$	<u>39,691.00</u>
	Total	\$	39,691.00
	<u>Midtown TIF Fund</u>		
Bills		\$	<u>742.50</u>
	Total	\$	742.50
	<u>Capital Projects Fund</u>		
Bills		\$	<u>6,664.44</u>
	Total	\$	6,664.44
	<u>Water Fund</u>		
Payroll		\$	69,176.59
Bills		\$	<u>45,522.19</u>
	Total	\$	114,698.78

	<u>Sewer Fund</u>		
Payroll	\$		70,428.68
Bills	\$		<u>765,281.25</u>
	Total	\$	835,709.93
	<u>Heath Insurance Fund</u>		
Bills	\$		<u>135,364.96</u>
	Total	\$	135,364.96
	<u>Motor Fuel</u>		
Bills	\$		<u>4,823.89</u>
	Total	\$	4,823.89

Mayor Gover opened the floor for discussion or comments which was followed with no responses.

Mayor Gover declared the motion to approve the consent agenda carried by the following vote: YEA Commissioner Cox, YEA Commissioner Graven, YEA Commissioner Hall, Absent Commissioner Owen, YEA Mayor Gover.

Mayor Gover complimented and thanked the staff for their efforts and long hours while contending with the inclement weather. Mayor Gover also thanked the Presbyterian Church, food providers, volunteers, and people in the community who also assisted during the inclement weather.

Mayor Gover opened the floor for public comments.

Mr. Dhermy addressed the Council regarding his ability to come to the Mayor's office, reiterated statutes inquiries, questioned the Council's meeting procedures, and threatened litigation. Mayor Gover answered Mr. Dhermy's inquiries by referring to previous discussion at past Council meetings, access to minutes from the Clerk's office and City's website, and stated no further discussion on the matter would be addressed in future meetings. Mayor Gover opened the floor for other Public comments with no responses.

Mayor Gover noted Lauterbach & Amern's presentation was postponed until the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Graven seconded by Commissioner Cox moved to approve Council Decision Request 2014-1476, approving the plans and specifications for the 17th Street Resurfacing Project from Marshall to Wabash Avenue.

Mayor Gover opened the floor for comments or discussion which was followed with no responses.

Mayor Gover declared the motion carried by the following vote: YEA Commissioner Cox, YEA Commissioner Graven, YEA Commissioner Hall, Absent Commissioner Owen, YEA Mayor Gover.

Commissioner Graven seconded by Commissioner Cox moved to approve Council Decision Request 2014-1477, approving the plans and specifications for the Peterson Park Parking Areas Project in front of Broadway.

Mayor Gover opened the floor for comments or discussion which was followed with no responses.

Mayor Gover declared the motion carried by the following vote: YEA Commissioner Cox, YEA Commissioner Graven, YEA Commissioner Hall, Absent Commissioner Owen, YEA Mayor Gover.

Mayor Gover seconded by Commissioner Graven moved to approve Council Decision Request 2014-1478, appointing Charles L. Edwards as the Building & Plumbing Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer, effective January 11, 2014.

Mayor Gover opened the floor for comments or discussion which was followed with no responses.

Mayor Gover declared the motion carried by the following vote: YEA Commissioner Cox, YEA Commissioner Graven, YEA Commissioner Hall, Absent Commissioner Owen, YEA Mayor Gover.

Mayor Gover seconded by Commissioner Graven moved to approve Council Decision Request 2014-1479, appointing Matthew D. Frederick as Electrical Inspector/Zoning and Code Enforcement Officer, effective January 11, 2014.

Mayor Gover opened the floor for comments or discussion which was followed with no responses.

Mayor Gover declared the motion carried by the following vote: YEA Commissioner Cox, YEA Commissioner Graven, YEA Commissioner Hall, Absent Commissioner Owen, YEA Mayor Gover.

Mayor Gover seconded by Commissioner Cox moved to adopt Special Ordinance No. 2014-1548, updating the compensation ordinance to reflect the Community Development Department appointments.

CITY OF MATTOON, ILLINOIS

SPECIAL ORDINANCE NO. 2014-1548

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SPECIAL ORDINANCE 2013-1516, THE 2013-2014 COMPENSATION PLAN FOR THE MANAGERIAL AND NON-UNION NON-MANAGERIAL EMPLOYEES OF THE MUNICIPALITY FOR THE RENAMING OF THE ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR AND PLUMBING INSPECTOR JOB CLASSIFICATION

WHEREAS, The Community Development Department has a vacancy in the Community Development Coordinator position; and

WHEREAS, The City Council of the City of Mattoon has changed the job titles and duties of the positions of Electrical Inspector and Plumbing Inspector, created from portions of the Community Development Coordinator's duties; and

WHEREAS, The City Council deems the update to JOB CLASSIFICATION in APPENDIX B of Special Ordinance 2013-1516 appropriate.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Mattoon as follows:

Section 1. Recitals. The facts and statements contained in the preamble to this Ordinance are found to be true and correct and are hereby adopted as part of this Ordinance.

Section 2. Amendments. The Job Classifications of "Electrical Inspector" and "Plumbing Inspector" be removed and the Job Classifications of "Building and Plumbing Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer" and "Electrical Inspector/Zoning and Code Enforcement Officer" be inserted in the E-1 Pay Grade of APPENDIX B of Special Ordinance 2013-1516, and is hereby approved by the corporate authorities.

Pay Grade	Job Classification	Base Annual Wage Rate
E-1	Building and Plumbing Inspector/- Code Enforcement Officer Electrical Inspector/-	\$21,000 to \$50,000

Zoning and Code Enforcement Officer

Section 3. This ordinance shall be deemed published as of the day of its adoption and approval by the City Council.

Section 4. This ordinance shall be effective upon its approval as provided by law.

Upon motion by Mayor Gover, seconded by Commissioner Cox, adopted this 9th day of January, 2014, by a roll call vote, as follows:

AYES (Names): Commissioner Cox, Commissioner Graven,
Commissioner Hall, Mayor Gover
NAYS (Names): None
ABSENT (Names): Commissioner Owen

Approved this 9th day of January, 2014.

/s/ Timothy D. Gover
Timothy D. Gover, Mayor
City of Mattoon, Coles County, Illinois

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

/s/ Susan J. O'Brien
Susan J. O'Brien, City Clerk

/s/ Janett S. Winter-Black
Janett S. Winter-Black, City Attorney

Recorded in the Municipality's Records on January 9, 2014.

Mayor Gover opened the floor for comments or discussion which was followed with no responses.

Mayor Gover declared the motion carried by the following vote: YEA Commissioner Cox, YEA Commissioner Graven, YEA Commissioner Hall, Absent Commissioner Owen, YEA Mayor Gover.

Mayor Gover seconded by Commissioner Graven moved to adopt Resolution No. 2014-2902, approving the Labor Council Retainer Agreement with Bruce Beal; and authorizing the Mayor to sign the agreement.

CITY OF MATTOON, ILLINOIS

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-2902

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING A LABOR COUNCIL RETAINER AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE CITY OF MATTOON AND BRUCE BEAL, OF CLAUDON, KOST, BEAL & WALTERS, LTD.,
AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE AGREEMENT.**

WHEREAS, City of Mattoon is preparing for labor negotiations with all three collective bargaining units of the City of Mattoon; and

WHEREAS, the City of Mattoon has been communicating with Bruce Beal, of Claudon, Kost, Beal & Walters, Ltd., on labor matters and upcoming negotiation; and

WHEREAS, The City Council has determined, it is in the best interest of the City, to retain the legal services of Bruce Beal for labor and collective bargaining negotiations; and

WHEREAS, a Labor Council Retainer Agreement, between the City of Mattoon and Bruce Beal, is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council for the City of Mattoon, Coles County, Illinois that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute and to enter into the attached Labor Council Retainer Agreement between the City of Mattoon and Bruce Beal, of Claudon, Kost, Beal & Walters, Ltd., for legal services involving labor and collective bargaining negotiations.

Upon motion by Mayor Gover, seconded by Commissioner Graven adopted this 9th day of January, 2014, by a roll call vote, as follows:

AYES (Names): Commissioner Cox, Commissioner Graven,
Commissioner Hall, Mayor Gover
NAYS (Names): None
ABSENT (Names): Commissioner Owen

Approved this 9th day of January, 2014.

/s/ Timothy D. Gover
Timothy D. Gover, Mayor
City of Mattoon, Coles County, Illinois

ATTEST: /s/ Susan J. O'Brien
Susan J. O'Brien, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
/s/ Janett S. Winter-Black
Janett S. Winter-Black City Attorney

Recorded in the Municipality's Records on January 9, 2014.

Mayor Gover opened the floor for comments or discussion which was followed with no responses.

Mayor Gover declared the motion carried by the following vote: YEA Commissioner Cox, YEA Commissioner Graven, YEA Commissioner Hall, Absent Commissioner Owen, YEA Mayor Gover.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

CITY ADMINISTRATOR/ COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – noted work on job descriptions, labor negotiations, City budgets, and snow issues. Administrator Gill complimented the Departments for their efforts and added the appreciation of Red Cross during the snow storm. Mayor Gover opened the floor for questions with no response.

CITY ATTORNEY – noted the liquor license matter regarding Villa Nova was to be rescheduled due to the weather. Mayor Gover opened the floor for questions with no responses.

CITY CLERK – noted processing of liquor license renewals; various licenses; various reports; personnel/insurance/pension issues; FOIA requests - basically business as usual. Mayor Gover opened the floor for questions with no response.

FINANCE – noted receipt of the auditor's financial statements, final installation of property taxes, filing of TIF report; and projections for the FY15 budget. Mayor Gover opened the floor for questions with no response.

PUBLIC WORKS –updated Council on snow removal. Council inquired about Crestview/Mall entrance and number of plows. Director Barber noted the progress of inlet clearing and reviewed the Public Works equipment. Mayor Gover expressed accolades for the Public Works staff as well as the Parks staff. Mayor Gover opened the floor for questions with no response.

FIRE – provided a 2014 Winter Storm Report 01/05-08/14, updated Council on union contract proposal and budget preparations. Mayor Gover complimented Chief Nichols and Asst. Chief Junge on their efforts during the winter storm.

POLICE – expressed accolades for the Public Works Department for their efforts during the winter storm, thanked Kurt Stretch for his efforts in clearing the MPD parking areas, and complimented Capt. Weinstock for his extra efforts and professionalism with the MPD staff. Mayor Gover expressed further compliments. Mayor Gover opened the floor for questions with no response.

ARTS AND TOURISM – announced a successful Lightworks upon its completion and preparation for the Smithsonian exhibit. Mayor Gover opened the floor for questions with no response.

COMMENTS BY THE COUNCIL

Commissioners Cox and Graven expressed previous compliments to the Departments involved with handling the inclement weather. Commissioner Hall requested to have the appreciation of the employees acknowledged at a departmental level. Chief Branson noted the Mayor’s letter to the Mattoon Police Department staff posted for staff’s benefit. Council discussed sending acknowledgements to the departments.

Mayor Gover seconded by Commissioner Hall moved to recess to closed session at 6:56 p.m. pursuant to the Illinois Open Meetings Act for the purpose of discussing Collective negotiating matters between the City of Mattoon and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees (5ILCS/20 (2)(C)(2)); and the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the City (5ILCS/20 (2)(C)(1)).

Mayor Gover declared the motion carried by the following vote: YEA Commissioner Cox, YEA Commissioner Graven, YEA Commissioner Hall, Absent Commissioner Owen, YEA Mayor Gover.

Council reconvened at 7:50 p.m.

Commissioner Hall seconded by Commissioner Cox moved to adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

Mayor Gover opened the floor for comments or discussion which was followed with no responses.

Mayor Gover declared the motion carried by the following vote: YEA Commissioner Cox, NAY Commissioner Graven, YEA Commissioner Hall, Absent Commissioner Owen, YEA Mayor Gover.

/s/ Susan J. O’Brien
City Clerk