

The City Council of the City of Mattoon held a regular meeting in the City Hall Council Chambers on September 5, 2017.

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, YEA Commissioner Preston Owen, and YEA Mayor Tim Gover.

Also physically present were City personnel: City Administrator Kyle Gill, City Attorney Daniel C. Jones, Finance Director/Treasurer Beth Wright, Public Works Director Dean Barber, Police Chief Jeff Branson, Fire Chief Tony Nichols, and City Clerk Susan O'Brien.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Gover seconded by Commissioner Hall moved to approve the consent agenda consisting of minutes of the regular meeting August 15, 2017; Fire Department reports for the months of June and July, 2017; bills and payroll for the last half of August, 2017.

Bills & Payroll
last half of August, 2017

	<u>General Fund</u>		
Payroll		\$	276,041.18
Bills		\$	<u>97,789.58</u>
	Total	\$	373,830.76
	<u>Hotel Tax Administration</u>		
Payroll		\$	2,667.82
Bills		\$	<u>1,338.24</u>
	Total	\$	4,006.06
	<u>Festival Mgt Fund</u>		
Bills		\$	<u>15,424.27</u>
	Total	\$	15,424.27
	<u>Mobile Equipment Fund</u>		
Bills		\$	<u>121,343.47</u>
	Total	\$	121,373.47
	<u>Insurance & Tort Jdgmnt</u>		
Bills		\$	<u>33,131.00</u>
		\$	33,131.00
	<u>Midtown TIF</u>		
Bills		\$	<u>5,181.76</u>
	Total	\$	5,181.76

	<u>Capital Project</u>		
Bills		\$	23,225.89
	Total	\$	23,225.89
	<u>Water Fund</u>		
Payroll		\$	37,701.44
Bills		\$	33,406.53
	Total	\$	71,107.97
	<u>Sewer Fund</u>		
Payroll		\$	32,927.76
Bills		\$	51,699.06
	Total	\$	84,626.82
	<u>Health Insurance Fund</u>		
Bills		\$	196,225.81
	Total	\$	196,225.81
	<u>Motor Fuel Tax Fund</u>		
Bills		\$	41,254.70
	Total	\$	41,254.70

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

PRESENTATIONS, PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Gover opened the floor for questions or comments from Public with no response.

Mr. Scott Kristiansen of IDOT recognized the community and Mattoon Police Department for its collaboration with the Distracted Driving Awareness Campaign in association with the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police and AAA. Out of 300 agencies who participated, ten were selected to receive this recognition – one being Mattoon for their efforts with providing public information and raising public awareness. Mr. Kristiansen presented the award to the Mattoon Police Department and Community. Chief Branson recognized the entire department and school district, as well as Captain Ray Hall who oversaw the program including on his own time.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Gover seconded by Commissioner Graven moved to adopt Resolution No. 2017-3001, approving Amendment #2 of the Midtown TIF Redevelopment Incentive Policies and Criteria allowing an increase to the amount of grant funds available to properties in a portion of Phase 2.

CITY OF MATTOON, ILLINOIS

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-3001

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDMENT #2 TO THE MIDTOWN TIF REDEVELOPMENT INCENTIVE POLICIES AND CRITERIA

WHEREAS, the City of Mattoon established a Tax Increment Financing District known as the Midtown TIF District in December of 2003; and

WHEREAS, the City of Mattoon subsequently adopted a grant application and approval policy identified as the “Midtown TIF Redevelopment Incentive Policies and Criteria” in April of 2005, and

WHEREAS, the TIF grant awards, and investments by building owners in the TIF District, were successful in producing increases in the available tax increments, and

WHEREAS, the City of Mattoon approved an Amendment to modify the “Midtown TIF Redevelopment Incentive Policies and Criteria” in 2014 to increase the amount of grant funds available to properties in Phase 1 of the Midtown TIF District; and

WHEREAS, the TIF grant awards, and investments by building owners in the TIF District, continue to be successful in producing increases in the available tax increments, and

WHEREAS, the City of Mattoon wishes to further amend the “Midtown TIF Redevelopment Incentive Policies and Criteria” to increase the amount of grant funds available to properties in a portion of Phase 2 of the Midtown TIF District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council for the City of Mattoon, Coles County, Illinois, that the attached “Amendment #2 to the Midtown TIF Redevelopment Incentive Policies and Criteria” be approved.

Upon motion by Mayor Gover, seconded by Commissioner Graven adopted this 5th day of September, 2017, by a roll call vote, as follows:

AYES (Names): Commissioner Cox, Commissioner Graven,
 Commissioner Hall, Commissioner Owen,
 Mayor Gover

NAYS (Names): None

ABSENT (Names): None

Approved this 5th day of September, 2017.

/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/Dan C. Jones
Dan C. Jones, City Attorney

Recorded in the Municipality’s Records on September 5, 2017.

Mayor Gover opened the floor questions/comments/discussion. Administrator Gill noted previously only demolitions were allowed in Phase 2, requests for restoration of other buildings, and the decision of the TIF Advisory Board to extend Phase 2 to include façade and structural improvements up to \$40,000.

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

Commissioner Owen seconded by Commissioner Hall moved to adopt Special Ordinance No. 2017-1665, authorizing the mayor to sign an outright grant agreement by and between the City of Mattoon and First Mid-Illinois Bank & Trust #77054 reimbursing up to \$35,508.50 from Mid-town TIF Revenues for the sole purpose of an emergency roof repair/replacement to a building located at 1521 Wabash Avenue; and authorizing the mayor to sign the grant agreement.

CITY OF MATTOON, ILLINOIS

SPECIAL ORDINANCE NO. 2017-1665

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A GRANT AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF MATTOON, ILLINOIS AND FIRST MID-ILLINOIS BANK & TRUST #77054, IN CONNECTION WITH THE MATTOON MID-TOWN REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA

WHEREAS, First Mid-Illinois Bank & Trust #77054 (the “**Grantee**”), has submitted a proposal to the City of Mattoon, Illinois (the “**Municipality**”) for redevelopment of a part of the Municipality’s Mattoon Mid-town Redevelopment Project Area (the “**Redevelopment Project Area**”); and, thereafter, the Municipality and the Grantee have engaged in negotiations related to a Grant Agreement (including all exhibits and attachments in connection therewith, the “**Grant Agreement**”) concerning redevelopment incentives and assistance related to the preservation, development and redevelopment of a part of the Redevelopment Project Area.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MATTOON, COLES COUNTY, ILLINOIS, as follows:

Section 1. The Grant Agreement, in substantially the form thereof presented before the meeting of the City Council at which this ordinance is adopted, shall be and is hereby ratified, confirmed and approved, and the Mayor and City Clerk are authorized to execute and deliver the Grant Agreement for and on behalf of the Municipality; and upon the execution thereof by the Municipality and the Grantee, the appropriate officers, agents, attorneys and employees of the Municipality are authorized to take all supplemental actions, including the execution and delivery of related supplemental opinions, certificates, agreements and instruments not inconsistent with the Grant Agreement, desirable or necessary to implement and otherwise give full effect to the Grant Agreement. Upon full execution thereof, the Grant Agreement shall be attached to this ordinance as EXHIBIT “A”.

Section 2. This ordinance shall be deemed published as of the day of its adoption and approval by the City Council.

Section 3. This ordinance shall be effective upon its approval as provided by law.

Upon motion by Commissioner Owen, seconded by Commissioner Hall, adopted this 5th day of September, 2017, by a roll call vote, as follows:

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

Approved this 5th day of September, 2017.

/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/Daniel C. Jones
Daniel C. Jones, City Attorney

Recorded in the Municipality's Records on September 5, 2017.

Attachment (1) - EXHIBIT "A"

Mayor Gover opened the floor for questions/comments/discussion. Commissioner Hall reiterated this grant was to a Trust of First Mid-Illinois Bank and not the bank.

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

Commissioner Hall seconded by Commissioner Owen moved to approve Council Decision Request 2017-1791, ratifying the re-appointments of Ed Dowd and Don Freesmeier to the Tourism Committee for terms ending 09/01/2020.

Mayor Gover opened the floor for questions/comments/discussion with no response.

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

Mayor Gover seconded by Commissioner Graven moved to approve Council Decision Request 2017-1792, approving the employment of Stephen J. Sudkamp as Plumbing/Building Inspector effective September 18, 2017.

Mayor Gover opened the floor for questions/comments. Mayor Gover acknowledged Mr. Sudkamp's attendance.

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

Mayor Gover congratulated and welcomed Mr. Sudkamp.

Commissioner Graven seconded by Commissioner Cox moved to approve Council Decision Request 2017-1793, awarding the bid of \$313,393 from Feutz Contractors, Inc. for the Public Works Building Concrete Paving Project.

Mayor Gover opened the floor for questions/comments/discussion with no response.

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

Mayor Gover announced the removal of CDR 2017-1794 due to after further review the screen manufacturer did not meet specs. Director Barber explained the bid acceptance of one of the vendors' proposal to the bidders, but the vendor did not comply with the specifications. Director Barber expected to have a bid award with the second lowest price at the next council meeting. Mayor Gover opened the floor for questions with no response.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

CITY ADMINISTRATOR/COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT recapped his week of meeting with Director Barber to prepare the TIF documents, speaking with developers and building inspections, and updating of ordinances; otherwise, business as usual. Mayor Gover opened the floor for questions with no response.

CITY ATTORNEY noted business as usual with the hotel lawsuit finished and meeting with the Pierce fire truck, attorney to begin talks of a settlement. Administrator Gill noted the City had received the hotel reimbursement. Mayor Gover opened the floor for questions with no response.

CITY CLERK noted business as usual with insurance, personnel and pensions. Mayor Gover opened the floor for questions with no response.

FINANCE announced the distribution of TIF payments and preparation of TIF reports. Mayor Gover opened the floor for questions with no response.

PUBLIC WORKS updated Council on the municipal parking lot near DeBuhrs, Marshall Avenue sidewalks, and new Public Works Building. Mayor Gover opened the floor for questions. Dr. Shirley Bell stated her concern over deteriorating sidewalks on the south side of Oklahoma. Director Barber explained the long-range plan for a walkable community and the Public Advisory Board's decisions on which sidewalks to repair. Mayor Gover asked Dr. Bell to meet with Director Barber on her concerns.

FIRE reviewed fire activities of conducting fire drills in schools, walkthroughs at United Graphics, ambulance standbys at the JFL complex and 5K run, and fire hydrant testing and maintenance. Chief Nichols attended the annual School Safety Meeting. Dr. Shirley Bell questioned Council on the removal of ambulance service and cutting staff. Commissioner Hall, Mayor Gover and Administrator

Gill stated some other ambulance service would have quality of service and the number of firefighters would be determined through contract negotiations.

POLICE informed Council of the campaign for safe drivers in school zones focusing on the High School and Middle School resulting in 58 warnings and citations. Mayor Gover opened the floor for questions. Commissioner Cox recounted a Journal Gazette article which stated the drugs were not readily available in Mattoon. Chief Branson stated the number of “home cook” drugs were diminishing due to the Task Force and area law enforcements’ efforts, but Mexican cartels were flooding America with drugs.

ARTS AND TOURISM Commissioner Hall noted the numbers for 4th of July were down from last year and Bagelfest numbers were \$25,000 ahead with entertainment as largest expense. Mayor Gover opened the floor for questions with no response.

COMMENTS BY THE COUNCIL

Commissioner Cox provided Council with information from the 2017 summer season including 18 tournaments, 1023 ball games, revenues from tournaments of approximately \$1.9 million from visitors, 883 local leagues, utilization of Peterson Park, Lawson Park, DeMars Center, and Pavilions. Lake Mattoon had 66 fishing tournaments, Lake Mattoon Sailing Association Regatta event, and beach water sample was good. Commissioner Cox thanked Kurt Stretch, Debbie Crean, Richie Orr and Joel Pittman and temporary summer help for their efforts. Chief Branson added the events were maintenance free requiring no extra services, so good people attending events. Commissioner Hall announced meeting with Arts & Tourism Director Burgett and general managers of the hotels to help understand the number of stays during events. Commissioners Graven and Owen had no comments.

Commissioner Hall seconded by Commissioner Cox moved to adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Dr. Bell requested the Council to defend DACA (Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals). Mayor Gover stated that was a Federal issue.

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

/s/ Susan J. O'Brien
City Clerk