

The City Council of the City of Mattoon held a regular meeting in the City Hall Council Chambers on October 3, 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 Attorney Daniel C. Jones, Finance Director/Treasurer Beth Wright, Public Works Director Dean Barber, Fire Chief Anthony Nichols, Police Chief Jeff Branson, Arts & Tourism Director Angelia Burgett, and City Clerk Susan O'Brien.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Gover seconded by Commissioner Owen moved to approve the consent agenda consisting of minutes of the regular meeting September 19, 2017; Illinois Municipal League travel, meal & lodging expenses; bills and payroll for the last half of September, 2017.

Bills & Payroll
last half of September, 2017

	<u>General Fund</u>		
Payroll		\$	276,511.12
Bills		\$	<u>53,147.43</u>
	Total	\$	329,658.55
	<u>Hotel Tax Administration</u>		
Payroll		\$	2,574.82
Bills		\$	<u>2,498.51</u>
	Total	\$	5,073.33
	<u>Festival Mgmt Fund</u>		
Bills		\$	<u>4,919.37</u>
	Total	\$	4,919.37
	<u>Mobile Equipment Fund</u>		
Bills		\$	<u>80,079.00</u>
	Total	\$	80,079.00
	<u>Insurance & Tort Jdgmnt</u>		
Bills		\$	<u>688.78</u>
	Total	\$	688.78
	<u>Midtown TIF</u>		
Bills		\$	<u>33,376.86</u>
	Total	\$	33,376.86

	<u>Water Fund</u>		
Payroll		\$	36,473.58
Bills		\$	<u>34,465.07</u>
	Total	\$	70,938.65
	<u>Sewer Fund</u>		
Payroll		\$	34,939.89
Bills		\$	<u>17,847.88</u>
	Total	\$	52,787.77
	<u>Health Insurance Fund</u>		
Bills		\$	<u>191,137.37</u>
	Total	\$	191,137.37
	<u>Motor Fuel Tax Fund</u>		
Bills		\$	<u>13,714.96</u>
	Total	\$	13,714.96

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.

Mayor Gover read a statement regarding Mattoon High School’s shooting as follows:

There are events which happen “elsewhere.” On Wednesday, September 20, 2017, “elsewhere” became Mattoon. A shooting occurred at Mattoon High School. Something we never thought would happen here, but it did. I would like to commend the first responders, the Community Unit School District Number Two Staff, the High School teachers and especially the teacher, Angela McQueen, who courageously and swiftly held the shooter and pulled his arm and gun toward the ceiling which probably saved others from being injured or killed. She held the shooter until School Resource Officer Kasey Alexander, who fortunately was in the school, arrived and subdued the shooter.

A special thanks to Police Chief Jeff Branson who coordinated activities at the scene. Chief Branson told Assistant School Superintendent Tom Sherman “don’t leave my side.” The two worked well together.

My thanks, also, to Fire Chief Tony Nichols and the Fire Department personnel for their quick response and assistance at the scene. Public Works Director Dean Barber and his staff also assisted.

A special thanks to all of the law enforcement personnel who responded to the scene. I will not attempt to list all of the responding law enforcement agencies because I would probably leave out the names of some.

While we had an unfortunate situation, it could have been worse. God was surely looking over Mattoon on that day.

PRESENTATIONS, PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Gover opened the floor for Public comments. Mr. Ed Dowd, Executive Director of the Mattoon Chamber of Commerce, spoke regarding a mapping program developed through the Illinois Department of Rural Affairs structured to improve the community by conducting five sessions of members of the community to derive two or three ideas that would improve Mattoon. He noted the steering committee included Administrator Gill and Commissioner Hall and would start on October 19th; a town hall meeting would occur in mid-January to present the three ideas the committee suggests.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Gover seconded by Commissioner Hall moved to adopt Resolution No. 2017-3002, approving an update of the City's Equal Employment Opportunity Plan (EEOP).

CITY OF MATTOON, ILLINOIS

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-3002

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN UPDATE TO THE CITY'S EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY PLAN

WHEREAS, the purpose of an Equal Employment Opportunity Plan is to insure full and equal participation of men and women regardless of race or national origin in the workforce of an agency that receives federal grant funds; and

WHEREAS, it is now necessary for the City Council to update its Equal Employment Opportunity Plan to maintain continued eligibility for federal grants.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF MATTOON, COLES COUNTY, ILLINOIS that the Mayor is authorized to sign a document indicating the Council's approval of an update to the City of Mattoon's "Equal Employment Opportunity Plan", a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference.

Upon motion by Mayor Gover, seconded by Commissioner Hall, adopted this 3rd day of October, 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 3rd day of October, 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 October 3, 2017.

Mayor Gover opened the floor 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.

Commissioner Cox seconded by Commissioner Graven moved to adopt Resolution No. 2017-3003, approving an agreement between the City of Mattoon and Shelby County Energy Center, L.L.C. for water use of Lake Mattoon.

CITY OF MATTOON, ILLINOIS

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-3003

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING A WATER USE AGREEMENT FROM LAKE MATTOON
BETWEEN THE CITY OF MATTOON AND SHELBY COUNTY ENERGY**

WHEREAS, the City of Mattoon owns and manages a 1,050 acre water reservoir known as Lake Mattoon; and

WHEREAS, Shelby County Energy currently purchases untreated water from Lake Mattoon for cooling of power generating equipment; and

WHEREAS, both parties wish to modify and extend the terms of the original agreement governing the purchase of said water.

WHEREAS, the terms and conditions for said water use are described in the Water Use Agreement from Lake Mattoon attached as Exhibit 'A'.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Mattoon, Coles County, Illinois, that the Water Use Agreement from Lake Mattoon with Shelby County Energy be approved and authorize the mayor and city clerk to sign the "Water Use Agreement from Lake Mattoon".

Upon motion by Commissioner Cox, seconded by Commissioner Graven, adopted this 3rd day of October, 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 3rd day of October, 2017.

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

Recorded in the Municipality's Records on October 3, 2017.

Mayor Gover opened the floor questions/comments. Director Barber explained the agreement with Shelby County Electric formerly Reliant Energy and the items changed from the initial agreement. Commissioner Cox noted a good relationship with Shelby County Electric.

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 Cox moved to approve Council Decision Request 2017-1798, approving the appointment of Clinton Lawrence to regular employment status with the Mattoon Police Department after successful completion of his probationary period effective September 25, 2017.

Mayor Gover opened the floor questions/comments. Chief Branson addressed both of the officers stating their outstanding work and, productivity, and pleased with their performances.

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 2017-1799, approving the appointment of Brett Hall to regular employment status with the Mattoon Police Department after successful completion of his probationary period effective September 27, 2017.

Mayor Gover opened the floor 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.

Commissioner Cox seconded by Commissioner Hall moved to approve Council Decision Request 2017-1800, awarding the 2017 Water Treatment Plant chemical bids to:

USALCO	for	Alum	@	\$0.1809/pound
Hawkins	for	Ammonium Sulfate	@	\$0.2950/pound
Matheson Tri-Gas, Inc.	for	Carbon Dioxide	@	\$0.0780/pound
Polydyne	for	Cationic Polymer	@	\$0.4200/pound

JCI	for	Chlorine	@	\$0.2300/pound
Hawkins	for	Fluoride	@	\$0.3400/pound
Shannon Chemical	for	Permanganate	@	\$0.8740/pound
Hawkins	for	Phosphate Blend	@	\$0.4750/pound; and,
Univar	for	Powdered Activated Carbon	@	\$0.6190/pound.

Mayor Gover opened the floor questions/comments 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.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

CITY ADMINISTRATOR/COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT Mayor Gover stated Administrator Gill had nothing new to report – business as usual, but was working on a number of things.

CITY ATTORNEY stated business as usual – nothing new, but noted Chief Nichols and Administrator Gill had attended a meeting with other communities and Pierce Manufacturing where negotiations were ongoing. Mayor Gover opened the floor for questions with no response.

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

FINANCE announced the third installment of property taxes including TIF was \$1,641,306.47 with \$936,867.72 to fund the Police and Fire pensions, and receipt of documentation on the 2009 Bond Refunding with a closing on November 1st. Mayor Gover opened the floor for questions with no response.

PUBLIC WORKS updated the Council on the CSO Treatment Facility, Public Works Building, and the municipal parking lot at 21st & Broadway. Director Barber added the Shelby County Energy provides about \$106,000 in water revenues. Mayor Gover opened the floor for questions with no response.

FIRE updated Council on the final inspection on the new truck with a delivery date to the Illinois facility of October 31st for graphing and final touches; and explained the meeting between the municipalities and Pierce lawyers with Attorney Jones adding an increased rebate for a new truck purchase. Mayor Gover inquired as to the expected arrival date in Mattoon with Chief Nichols anticipating around Thanksgiving. Mayor Gover opened the floor for further questions with no response.

POLICE reviewed the active shooter situation at Mattoon High School; thanked all law enforcement in attendance, Director Barber and his Public Works crews, Chief Nichols and Fire Department personnel, school employees and their outstanding job, Ms. McQueen who saved lives, School Resource Officer Kasey Alexander, and community support. Chief Branson stated interviews were complete and a debriefing to determine preventions would occur in the near future, and noted the

investigations would be ongoing for four to six months. Commissioner Cox inquired as to current threats with Chief Branson stating the investigations of false threats were conducted and four officers would attend Homecoming as a precaution. Mayor Gover opened the floor for further questions with no response. Mayor Gover announced receiving a call from Senator Durbin concerning the shooting.

ARTS AND TOURISM noted Lightworks was in motion, acceptance of Veterans Day and Christmas Parades, Lifetime Learning workshop on October 14th, Trunk or Treat event downtown, Celebrate Downtown Mattoon event on December 1st, as well as several other upcoming events. Mayor Gover opened the floor for questions with no response.

Mrs. Brett Hall commented on the pride of how the Police officers handled the MHS shooting incident.

COMMENTS BY THE COUNCIL

Commissioners Cox, Graven, Hall, and Owen had no further comments.

Commissioner Hall seconded by Commissioner Cox moved to adjourn at 7:04 p.m.

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

/s/Susan J O'Brien
City Clerk