

**CITY OF ROCK ISLAND
CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

City Hall

1528 Third Avenue, Rock Island IL

City Council Chambers, 3rd Floor

5/13/2019 - Minutes

1. Call to Order

Mayor Thoms called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m. and welcomed everyone.

2. Roll Call

Mayor Thoms asked the City Clerk to call the roll.

Present: Mayor Mike Thoms, Alderman James Spurgetis, Alderman Stephen L. Tollenaer, Alderman Dylan Parker, Alderman Joshua Schipp, and Alderman Dave Geenen

Absent: Alderman Ivory D. Clark and Alderman Virgil J. Mayberry

Staff: City Manager Randy Tweet, City Attorney Dave Morrison, City Clerk Judith Gilbert, and other City staff

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Thoms led in the saying of the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Moment of Silence

Mayor Thoms asked for a moment of silence. A moment of silence was observed.

5. Minutes of the April 22, 2019 meeting.

MOTION:

Alderman Spurgetis moved to approve the minutes as printed; Alderman Tollenaer seconded.

VOTE:

Motion passed on a 5-0-2 voice vote. Aye: Spurgetis, Tollenaer, Parker, Schipp, and Geenen. Nay: None. Absent: Clark and Mayberry.

6. Minutes of the Executive Session of April 22, 2019.

MOTION:

Alderman Spurgetis moved to approve the Executive Session minutes; Alderman Tollenaer seconded.

VOTE:

Motion passed on a 5-0-2 voice vote. Aye: Spurgetis, Tollenaer, Parker, Schipp, and Geenen. Nay: None. Absent: Clark and Mayberry.

7. Update Rock Island by Mayor Thoms

The City of Rock Island is holding the second installment of "Rock Island Unplugged" Thursday, May 16th at The Establishment (220 19th Street) downtown Rock Island from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. Rock Island Unplugged is an informal yet structured event that gives Rock Island citizens direct access to City Officials. Myself, City Manager, Randy Tweet and all Directors from every City department will be on hand. Its purpose is to initiate and conduct an open dialogue about current City happenings in a setting outside the confines of City Hall. The doors will open at 5:30 p.m. and panel discussions will begin at 6:00 p.m. Hors d'oeuvres and non-alcoholic beverages will be provided to attendees. A cash bar will also be available.

Alderman Spurgetis said it is like a city-wide ward meeting and he encouraged everyone to come.

Citizen of Year - Do you know someone that deserves to be recognized for what they do for the community? If so, this is your opportunity to nominate them for the 2019 Citizen of the Year Awards, sponsored by the Mayor and City Council. There are seven categories for Rock Island Citizens: Business, Professional, Education, Individual, City Employee, Organization and Youth. There is a special category for someone that does not live in Rock Island but has contributed to the good of the community. This person/organization is not eligible for the overall Citizen of the Year award, but may be nominated as the Honorary Citizen of the Year. To learn more and nominate someone go to WWW.RIGOV.ORG/COY. The deadline for receiving nominations is June 7, 2019.

8. Presentation of Appreciation Plaque to Friends of Douglas Park

Mayor Thoms spoke: "As you know there are a lot of historical ties to the great Douglas Park in Rock Island. It has played host to horse racing, the beginnings of the NFL Football League, Men's Fast Pitch Softball World Series, 76ers Semi Pro Baseball, Little League and Legion Baseball and a host of Parks & Recreation Programming. Three years ago, the Parks & Recreation Department and the Friends of Douglas Park developed a very successful Public/Private partnership to revitalize Douglas Park. This partnership has resulted in over \$1.2 million dollars raised and put back into the park! And they are NOT done yet! The City of Rock Island would like to present the Friends of Douglas Park with a plaque in honor of our appreciation for all of the work that has and will be done for the betterment of Douglas Park and the City of Rock Island!"

Mayor Thoms presented an appreciation plaque to Kevin Corrigan and Mike Bell, Bernie Carmack, Gerry Huiskamp, Kym Vandegriff, Pat Verschoore, and John Gripp, all members of the Friends of Douglas Park. Mr. Corrigan invited everyone to go and look at Douglas Park and the improvements that have been made. He said there will be a lot more coming and the restoration of Douglas Park is revitalizing the neighborhood. Mayor Thoms said he appreciates all of their efforts. He also said the Friends of Douglas Park have invested their time and sweat equity in the restoration of the park. A picture was taken with Mayor Thoms.

9. Presentation of the 2018 Rock Island Historic Preservation Awards

Martin Bush, President of the Rock Island Preservation Society, presented the 2018 Rock Island Historic Preservation awards. He said the Historic Preservation Awards are intended to recognize and commend those individuals and groups who have worked to preserve and restore historic structures in our community. The awards are given primarily for exterior improvements that were completed in the previous year (2018). This year, the society presented five Historic Preservation Awards, one Certificate of Recognition, and four Special Recognitions.

A preservation award was given to Gene and Jody Zweifel from 1906 7th Avenue. The award recognized the extensive restoration of the Landmarked Historic Potter House and cottage next door at 1918 7th Avenue. The home's stucco exterior was repaired and painted in colors reflected on a historic postcard. The cottage received extensive clapboard repair and replacement.

A preservation award was given to Michael and Jessica Matherly from 803 20th Street. When they purchased this home in 2012, it had been vacant and neglected for at least 50 years. The Matherlys undertook extensive renovation and it is now their family home.

A preservation award was given to Daryl and Cynthia Empen of 830 22nd Street. Since purchasing the home, exterior restoration has been extensive including removing multiple layers of exterior paint and repainting. The leaking original porch roof gutters were removed and replaced with soldered sheet copper.

A preservation award was given to PTM Properties of Muscatine, Iowa for their house at 836 20th Street. Long-term vacancy had permitted significant deterioration of the exterior. The owner undertook extensive exterior restoration that included repair and replacement of the rotted and damaged clapboard. New paint completed the work.

The final preservation award was given to Juan and Maura Vasquez for their property at 1402 26th Street. The Vasquez family unveiled this vintage home by removing the shingle siding to reveal the original clapboard. This was repaired and replaced as needed, then painted an appropriate color.

A Certificate of Recognition was given to John Gripp, Director of the Rock Island Parks Department, for his leadership in securing funding to rebuild the chimney on the original Hauberg carriage house and the brick entry columns below the hill. The Friends of Hauberg, as part of the public-private partnership with the City, assisted in the project.

A Special Recognition award went to Kevin Corrigan of the Friends of Douglas Park and John Gripp of the Rock Island Parks Department. Only a few years ago the historic Douglas Park was in a grave state of disrepair. It was then, that a non-profit organization, the Friends of Douglas Park, was formed to promote the park and advocate for its preservation. The work of this group in conjunction with the Rock Island Parks Department has made significant improvements to the park. It is again being used for community athletic events with a new ball field, concession stand, and parking lot already completed. Other improvements are planned including restoration and reuse of the historic Fire Station.

The second Special Recognition award went to the City of the Rock Island and Mayor Mike Thoms. Under a new City administration, the tiered fountains at the base of the Centennial Bridge were restored, and are once again a welcome entrance to the historic bridge.

The third Special Recognition award went to Bob Yapp for his hosting of a Window Restoration

Workshop. As a way to help some friends, Bob offered an intensive two-day workshop to rebuild all of the historic wood windows in their home – which was about two dozen. During the workshop, he showed the participants the techniques and proper tools to use to make professional repairs. The cost of the workshop was also very reasonable due to contributions from the Broadway Historic District.

The final Special Recognition award went to Steve Schroder for the continued maintenance of the mid-century modern building used to run his insurance business on 3424 18th Avenue. The building, built by Steve's father in 1958, features simple, clean lines, a low-pitched roof with wide eaves, and numerous windows. Over the years, the Schroders have maintained the office inside and out. The decor and furnishings are characteristic of the style and feature modern, manufactured materials with clean lines, practical design, and durable fabrics. This year is also historic for Schroder Insurance as they celebrate their 100th year in business.

A picture of the award winners was taken with Mayor Thoms.

10. Proclamation declaring the week of May 19 through May 25, 2019 as National Public Works Week.

City Clerk Gilbert read the proclamation. Interim Public Works Director Michael Bartels accepted the proclamation. A picture was taken with Mayor Thoms.

11. A Special Ordinance granting a Special Use Permit at 1406, 1412, and 1416 6th Avenue.

MOTION:

Alderman Parker moved to consider, suspend the rules, and pass the ordinance; Alderman Tollenaer seconded.

VOTE:

Motion passed on a 5-0-2 roll call vote. Aye: Spurgetis, Tollenaer, Parker, Schipp, and Geenen. Nay: None. Absent: Clark and Mayberry.

12. A Special Ordinance establishing a handicapped parking space at 1527 29 1/2 Street.

MOTION:

Alderman Parker moved to consider, suspend the rules, and pass the ordinance; Alderman Geenen seconded.

VOTE:

Motion passed on a 5-0-2 roll call vote. Aye: Spurgetis, Tollenaer, Parker, Schipp, and Geenen. Nay: None. Absent: Clark and Mayberry.

13. A Special Ordinance establishing a handicapped parking space at 830 21st Street.

MOTION:

Alderman Parker moved to consider, suspend the rules, and pass the ordinance; Alderman Tollenaer seconded.

VOTE:

Motion passed on a 5-0-2 roll call vote. Aye: Spurgetis, Tollenaer, Parker, Schipp, and Geenen. Nay: None. Absent: Clark and Mayberry.

14. A Special Ordinance establishing a handicapped parking space at 506 6th Street.

MOTION:

Alderman Tollenaer moved to consider, suspend the rules, and pass the ordinance; Alderman Spurgetis seconded.

VOTE:

Motion passed on a 5-0-2 roll call vote. Aye: Spurgetis, Tollenaer, Parker, Schipp, and Geenen. Nay: None. Absent: Clark and Mayberry.

15. A Resolution approving an amended employment agreement with the City Manager and authorizing the Mayor to execute the contract documents.

MOTION:

Alderman Schipp moved to adopt the resolution; Alderman Parker seconded.

Alderman Spurgetis asked Mr. Thorson to explain how the figure was calculated. Human Resources Director John Thorson said 1.66% was the general wage increase given at the end of last year to all non-affiliate employees and the 2% was a merit increase for a total of 3.66%.

Alderman Schipp said folks have a lot more trust and optimism now about the city; Alderman Schipp believes a lot of that comes from the City Manager. He said Randy Tweet works well with the Mayor and Council. Alderman Schipp said Mr. Tweet has the City's best interests at heart and thanked him for his service to the City. Alderman Schipp said it's a tireless job.

VOTE:

Motion passed on a 5-0-2 roll call vote. Aye: Spurgetis, Tollenaer, Parker, Schipp, and Geenen. Nay: None. Absent: Clark and Mayberry.

16. A Resolution supporting the City of Rock Island local gas tax revenue be used for the maintenance and improvement of Rock Island City streets.

MOTION:

Alderman Parker moved to adopt the resolution; Alderman Tollenaer seconded.

Alderman Parker read the resolution. He said he brought the idea forward as a result of concerns and complaints from constituents regarding street conditions. He said there is \$500,000 in gas tax revenue and this money should be used for contracted street repair. He explained further that since that money comes from the General Fund, the new Council will have to consider how to fund the gap in the General Fund during their budget sessions.

VOTE:

Motion passed on a 5-0-2 roll call vote. Aye: Spurgetis, Tollenaer, Parker, Schipp, and Geenen. Nay: None. Absent: Clark and Mayberry.

17. Claims

- a. Report from the Human Resources Department regarding payment in the amount of \$18,269.94 to David Morrison of Rock Island, IL for legal services rendered from March 4, 2019 through April 30, 2019.
- b. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment #1 in the amount of \$89,043.80 to Greenspace Associates of Davenport, IA for the 2019 Sod Replacement Program for services provided from January 1, 2019 through April 19, 2019.
- c. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment in the amount of \$22,725.00 to Xylem Dewatering Solutions, Inc. of Chicago, IL for the rental of pumps during the flood for services provided from March 13 through April 9, 2019.

MOTION:

Alderman Schipp moved to accept the reports and authorize payment as recommended for Claims items a through c; Alderman Parker seconded.

VOTE:

Motion passed on a 5-0-2 roll call vote. Aye: Spurgetis, Tollenaer, Parker, Schipp, and Geenen. Nay: None. Absent: Clark and Mayberry.

- d. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment in the amount of \$17,148.70 to Miller Trucking & Excavating Company of Silvis, IL for an emergency water main repair at 2810 5th Avenue.
- e. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment in the amount of \$11,027.58 to Langman Construction, Inc. of Rock Island, IL for an emergency water main repair on 27th Avenue and 9th Street.
- f. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment in the amount of \$12,154.14 to Langman Construction, Inc. of Rock Island, IL for an emergency water main repair on 35th Street and 7th Avenue.

MOTION:

Alderman Schipp moved to accept the reports and authorize payment as recommended for Claims items d through f; Alderman Tollenaer seconded.

Alderman Parker recused himself from the vote due to the nature of his employment.

VOTE:

Motion passed on a 4-0-2 roll call vote. Aye: Spurgetis, Tollenaer, Schipp, and Geenen. Nay: None. Absent: Clark and Mayberry.

18. Claims for the weeks of April 19 through April 25 in the amount of \$825,491.14, April 26 through May 2 in the amount of \$280,193.40, and May 3 through May 9 in the amount of \$752,738.05;

and payroll for the weeks of April 8, 2019 through April 21, 2019 in the amount of \$1,490,235.09 and April 22, 2019 through May 5, 2019 in the amount of \$ 1,511,533.17.

MOTION:

Alderman Spurgetis moved to allow the claims and payroll; Alderman Parker seconded.

VOTE:

Motion passed on a 5-0-2 roll call vote. Aye: Spurgetis, Tollenaer, Parker, Schipp, and Geenen. Nay: None. Absent: Clark and Mayberry.

19. Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Cities of Moline and Davenport for the completion of the 2020-2025 Housing Needs Assessment.

MOTION:

Alderman Parker moved to approve the intergovernmental agreement as recommended and authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement subject to minor City Attorney modifications; Alderman Spurgetis seconded.

VOTE:

Motion passed on a 5-0-2 roll call vote. Aye: Spurgetis, Tollenaer, Parker, Schipp, and Geenen. Nay: None. Absent: Clark and Mayberry.

20. Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding a consent to assignment of the redevelopment agreement with 2nd Avenue Investment Group, Inc. to IH Mississippi Valley Credit Union for the renovation of the property located at 1709 2nd Avenue.

MOTION:

Alderman Tollenaer moved to approve the consent to assignment of the redevelopment agreement as recommended and authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement subject to any City Attorney minor modifications; Alderman Spurgetis seconded.

Mayor Thoms said it was a great redevelopment downtown with retail sales for a business expansion. Alderman Parker stated it was Ms. Brimani's business.

VOTE:

Motion passed on a 5-0-2 roll call vote. Aye: Spurgetis, Tollenaer, Parker, Schipp, and Geenen. Nay: None. Absent: Clark and Mayberry.

21. Report from the Finance Department regarding an adjustment to the CY 2019 Budget increasing the Downtown TIF Fund (201) expenditures by \$100,000.00 in order to comply with the executed agreement with Koffee Break Restaurant.

MOTION:

Alderman Parker moved to approve the budget adjustment as recommended; Alderman Schipp seconded.

Alderman Parker asked for clarification that the adjustment was for QC Pancake House; Mayor Thoms replied yes.

VOTE:

Motion passed on a 5-0-2 roll call vote. Aye: Spurgetis, Tollenaer, Parker, Schipp, and Geenen. Nay: None. Absent: Clark and Mayberry.

22. Report from the City Attorney regarding procedural rules for City Council meetings.

MOTION:

Alderman Schipp moved to consider the procedural rules as recommended; Alderman Parker seconded.

Alderman Parker thanked City staff and the City Clerk; he appreciates it. Alderman Schipp clarified that the Public Comment portion of the meeting will be moved from the end of the meeting to the beginning. City Clerk Gilbert stated after the rules are adopted next week, Public Comment will be after the moment of silence during every Council meeting. Alderman Schipp said it is another step in promoting positive citizen engagement. He explained that Council was also responsible for changing the invocation to a moment of silence for quiet reflection.

Alderman Tollenaer said Council could always go back to four meetings per month for more citizen engagement.

VOTE:

Motion passed on a 5-0-2 roll call vote. Aye: Spurgetis, Tollenaer, Parker, Schipp, and Geenen. Nay: None. Absent: Clark and Mayberry.

23. Report from the City Clerk regarding a request from QC Pride, Inc. for a date change of their QC Unity Pride Parade to June 22, 2019 due to the flooding in Davenport.

MOTION:

Alderman Parker moved to approve the date change for the parade as recommended and adopt the revised resolution; Alderman Geenen seconded.

VOTE:

Motion passed on a 5-0-2 roll call vote. Aye: Spurgetis, Tollenaer, Parker, Schipp, and Geenen. Nay: None. Absent: Clark and Mayberry.

24. Other Business / Public Comment

OTHER BUSINESS

Alderman Spurgetis thanked Steve Tollenaer and Josh Schipp for their service and interesting and lively conversation.

Alderman Tollenaer said he hoped everyone enjoyed him being on the Council as much as he has enjoyed all of them. He stated that while there are differences of opinion, he said that

doesn't make people enemies; it just makes them different. He said some differences will never be reconciled, but that's okay. Alderman Tollenaer said he wanted to thank everyone with a heartfelt thank you for being a part of his life; he has enjoyed all of this more than anyone will ever understand. The audience applauded Alderman Tollenaer.

Alderman Schipp said it has been an incredible experience for him. He spoke about when he first ran in 2011 at 22 years old and didn't win; he said he was grateful because he wasn't ready then. He said when he ran a second time, the City was losing its connection to its citizens. He said it was important to remember to work together as a community and make inclusive, transparent decisions. He stated there has been so much positive change over the last four years. Alderman Schipp said he was grateful to the voters of the Sixth Ward; he thanked them for their trust. He said that Rock Island has emerged as one of the most stable local governments. He wished the new Council members the best and thanked all of the past aldermen he has worked with including PJ Foley, Kate Hotle, and the late Chuck Austin. The audience applauded Alderman Schipp.

Mayor Thoms thanked Alderman Tollenaer and Alderman Schipp for serving as public servants; he said it's not an easy task and it takes time away from their families. He thanked them for their commitment.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Sheryl Eckerman, representing the residents of Wildwood Drive (many of whom were in attendance), read a preamble and petition, for their request for their street to be repaired. A handout with the petition and photos of the street conditions was given to all Council members. The petition was signed by 90% of the residents on the street. Mayor Thoms thanked them for bringing forth their petition.

25. Motion to Adjourn Sine Die

MOTION:

Alderman Tollenaer moved to adjourn Sine Die; Alderman Schipp seconded.

VOTE:

Motion passed on a 5-0-2 voice vote. Aye: Spurgetis, Tollenaer, Parker, Schipp, and Geenen. Nay: None. Absent: Clark and Mayberry.

OATH OF OFFICE - City Clerk Judith Gilbert administered the Oath of Office to 2nd Ward Alderman Randy Hurt and 4th Ward Alderwoman Jenni Swanson.

26. Call to Order

Mayor Thoms called the meeting to order at 7:41 p.m.

27. Roll Call

Mayor Thoms asked the City Clerk to call the roll.

Present: Mayor Mike Thoms, Alderman James Spurgetis, Alderwoman Jenni Swanson, Alderman Dylan Parker, Alderman Dave Geenen, and Alderman Randy Hurt

Absent: Alderman Ivory D. Clark

Staff: City Manager Randy Tweet, City Attorney Dave Morrison, City Clerk Judith Gilbert, and other City staff

28. Mayor Thoms will close the Regular Meeting and open a Public Hearing on a request from Nasreen Akhter for a waiver of the signature requirement to secure a liquor license at 2730 5th Avenue.

Mayor Thoms closed the regular meeting at 7:42 p.m. and opened a Public Hearing.

Nasreen Akhter thanked everyone who has supported her. She is the owner. Kelly Thomas introduced herself as the manager; she said it will be a mixed genre liquor license establishment with music.

Mayor Thoms asked if it would be a local tavern and if they will have music; he asked also for Ms. Thomas to confirm that it was not a convenience store. Ms. Thomas said it would be the kind of bar like it was before when it was Murphy's.

Mayor Thoms stated they are doing renovations and the tavern will not open until all of the requirements have been met. He explained they are requesting a waiver of the signature requirement, not to approve the license.

Mayor Thoms asked if there was anyone who opposed the request. No one came forward.

Mayor Thoms asked if there was anyone in favor of the request. No one came forward.

City Attorney Dave Morrison asked who obtained the signatures. Ms. Thomas said she went door to door and she also sent letters by certified mail to those owners who were not at their properties. Mr. Morrison confirmed that she told people it was going to be a bar and not a convenience store and they were aware of this. Mr. Morrison also noted for the record that the City Clerk sent letters out with the owner's request for a Class "E" liquor license on April 26, 2019. He stated the owner went above and beyond the requirement by mailing certified letters to property owners. Mayor Thoms noted they are requesting extended hours to 2:00 a.m.

Mayor Thoms closed the Public Hearing at 7:47 p.m., reconvened the regular meeting, and entertained a motion.

MOTION:

Alderman Spurgetis moved to waive the signature requirement as requested and moved to recommend to the Mayor/Liquor Commissioner to approve the liquor license; Alderman Parker seconded.

VOTE:

Motion passed on a 5-0-1 roll call vote. Aye: Spurgetis, Swanson, Parker, Geenen, and Hurt. Nay: None. Absent: Clark.

29. Mayor Thoms will close the regular meeting and open a Public Hearing on a request from Ryan Arguello for a waiver of the signature requirement to secure a liquor license at 1722 2nd Avenue.

Mayor Thoms closed the regular meeting at 7:48 p.m. and opened a Public Hearing.

Chris Bone thanked Mayor Thoms and Alderman Parker. He explained the due diligence they have done. He explained it would be a country bar and they have invested over \$18,000 for live bands for their opening weekend (Memorial Day weekend). He said they are investing in live entertainment, games such as pool tables, dart boards, jenga, and other games. The bar is for people who want to enjoy country music. He said there will be line dancing lessons and karaoke and trivia nights. Mr. Bone said he is very big on The District as he has been going there for 20 years. He wants the community to know all that The District has to offer. It has to be done as a team with the other businesses in The District and marketed as one. He told Council that every Friday night a portion of their cover charge will be donated to a local non-profit. Mayor Thoms said there will be a mechanical bull too.

Alderman Spurgetis thanked Mr. Bone for investing in Rock Island and he asked Mr. Bone about his security plans for inside the bar and outside. Mr. Bone stated he used to be a bouncer and worked many years as security; he reviewed their security plans.

Alderman Hurt asked if they will be employing off-duty Rock Island police officers. Mr. Bone said not in the beginning.

Alderman Parker thanked Mr. Bone and said he was very excited about his investment and his experience. He is looking forward to working with Mr. Bone on promoting The District and downtown. He encouraged Mr. Bone to check with Community and Economic Development Director Chandler Poole for identifying non-profits.

Mayor Thoms asked if there was anyone who opposed the request. No one came forward.

Mayor Thoms asked if there was anyone in favor of the request. No one came forward.

Mayor Thoms closed the Public Hearing at 7:55 p.m., reconvened the regular meeting, and entertained a motion.

MOTION:

Alderman Parker moved to waive the signature requirement as requested and moved to recommend to the Mayor/Liquor Commissioner to approve the liquor license; Alderman Spurgetis seconded.

Alderman Parker stated he would like the liquor license procedures revisited to make it easier on applicants especially with the signature requirement. He said the process should be updated.

VOTE:

Motion passed on a 5-0-1 roll call vote. Aye: Spurgetis, Swanson, Parker, Geenen, and Hurt. Nay: None. Absent: Clark.

30. Report from the Public Works Department regarding a request from the Broadway Historic District Association for the installation of banners on City-owned and MidAmerican Energy-owned poles by the Public Works Department.

MOTION:

Alderman Parker moved to approve the execution of the banner installation as recommended and authorize the Public Works Department to execute the "license for banners" permit with MidAmerican Energy; Alderman Geenen seconded.

Alderman Parker asked if the MidAmerican Energy banners agreement could be used for future projects. Mr. Bartels said it was just for the Broadway banners.

Alderman Spurgetis noted the Broadway Historic District Association is paying for the brackets needed for the installation. Alderman Parker said the association has been holding fundraisers to pay for the materials. Alderwoman Swanson asked if there were size restrictions on the banners. Mr. Tweet said it is on a case by case basis.

VOTE:

Motion passed on a 5-0-1 roll call vote. Aye: Spurgetis, Swanson, Parker, Geenen, and Hurt. Nay: None. Absent: Clark.

31. Report from the Mayor regarding an appointment to the Water Pollution Control Board and reappointments to the Liquor Commission, Water Pollution Control Board, and the Plumbing Code Board of Appeals.

MOTION:

Alderman Spurgetis moved to approve the appointment and reappointments as recommended; Alderwoman Swanson seconded.

Joel Thompson is being appointed to the Water Pollution Control Board. Blaine McCoy is being reappointed to the Liquor Control Commission. Bill Hass and Robert Motz are being reappointed to the Water Pollution Control Board. Eric DeCook, Stan Hintze, Brent Husser, Butch Motzer, Alan Spears, Brian Throne, and Reaksa Toum are being reappointed to the Plumbing Code Board of Appeals.

VOTE:

Motion passed on a 5-0-1 voice vote. Aye: Spurgetis, Swanson, Parker, Geenen, and Hurt. Nay: None. Absent: Clark.

32. Report from the City Clerk regarding requests from the Rock Island Moose Lodge for outdoor entertainment with sound amplification and the outdoor consumption of alcohol in the fenced-in parking lot for a fundraising event on Saturday, June 8, 2019 from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at 4410 9th Street.

MOTION:

Alderman Hurt moved to approve the requests as recommended, subject to complying with all liquor license regulations and subject to being shut down early if complaints are received; Alderman Spurgetis seconded.

VOTE:

Motion passed on a 5-0-1 roll call vote. Aye: Spurgetis, Swanson, Parker, Geenen, and Hurt. Nay: None. Absent: Clark.

33. Report from the City Clerk regarding requests from Igor's Bistro for outdoor entertainment with sound amplification and the outdoor consumption of alcohol and food in the fenced-in parking lot for an event on Friday, May 31, 2019 from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at 3055 38th Street.

MOTION:

Alderman Geenen moved to approve the requests as recommended, subject to complying with all liquor license regulations and subject to being shut down early if complaints are received; Alderwoman Swanson seconded.

VOTE:

Motion passed on a 5-0-1 roll call vote. Aye: Spurgetis, Swanson, Parker, Geenen, and Hurt. Nay: None. Absent: Clark.

34. Other Business / Public Comment

OTHER BUSINESS

Alderman Spurgetis said the 11th Street clean-up was very successful in spite of the wet weather; they enjoyed a picnic at Douglas Park after the clean-up.

Alderman Parker welcomed the new Council members. He looks forward to working with them.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one signed up to address Council to speak on a topic.

35. Executive Session:

5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(11) Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting.

MOTION:

Alderman Spurgetis moved to go into Executive Session for the exception cited; Alderman Parker seconded.

VOTE:

Motion passed on a 5-0-1 roll call vote. Aye: Spurgetis, Swanson, Parker, Geenen, and Hurt. Nay: None. Absent: Clark.

36. Motion to Adjourn

MOTION:

Alderman Spurgetis moved to adjourn; Alderman Parker seconded.

VOTE:

Motion passed on a 5-0-1 voice vote. Aye: Spurgetis, Swanson, Parker, Geenen, and Hurt. Nay: None. Absent: Clark.

The meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

Judith H. Gilbert, City Clerk