# City of Hoopeston

# Regular Council Meeting Minutes

December 6, 2016

1. Call to order

Mayor Crusinberry called to order the regular council meeting of the City of Hoopeston at 7:00 P.M. on December 6, 2016 at City Hall.

1. Roll call

Clerk Lane conducted a roll call. The following six council members were present: Florek, Houmes, Goodwine, Hamilton, McElhaney and Yaden. Aldermen Ankenbrand and Anderson were absent. Attorney Mudd was present.

1. Approval of Agenda

Alderman Houmes moved to approve the agenda seconded by McElhaney. Agenda was approved 6-0.

1. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Clerk Lane read the minutes from the last meeting. Alderman Houmes moved to approve minutes seconded by Florek. The minutes were approved as read 6-0.

1. Payment of Bills

Alderman Houmes moved to approve payment of bills seconded by McElhaney. Roll call vote was taken and bills were approved for payment 6-0.

1. Reports of Officers
2. Alderwoman Florek had nothing to report.
3. Alderman Goodwine made the motion to adopt the Tax Levy Ordinance for the Fiscal Year ending April 2017. Houmes seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken and the Tax Levy Ordinance 2017-7 was approved 6-0.
4. Alderman Hamilton made the motion to approve Resolution 2017-6 appointing Gail Lane to act as Municipal Clerk in the absence of Greg Lane. Houmes seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken and the motion was approved 6-0.

Hamilton stated that there will be some changes made to the golf cart ordinance and the changes will be acted upon at next meeting.

Hamilton gave an update on the steps he has taken regarding the request to reinstate the 911 call dispatch. He will be following up and update the council on the progress.

1. Alderman Yaden reported that the East side of the cemetery gate had been hit and destroyed. The driver was insured and estimates have been sent to insurance.
2. Alderman Houmes reported that the Parks department will be replacing and adding plants that will take less upkeep and water. Illumination of small scale displays will be added.
3. Alderman McElhaney made the motion to approve Resolution 2017-7 Authorizing the Mayor to Execute Documents for Prairie Meadows Phase II. Houmes seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken with five ayes and one nay with Alderman Goodwine being the nay vote. The motion passed.
4. Presentations

Rosie Gonzalez presented to council her “Letters Against Depression” plans. The JC’s will be a sponsor of hers for the event that is being planned for Saturday February 18 at the Civic Center.

1. Mayors Comments

The mayor met with the EPA regarding the Joan of Arc property deterioration. Clean up of asbestos, lubricants and some trash has been done. All ground floor access points have been boarded up.

Mayor Crusinberry also commented on this week being the 75th Anniversary of Pearl Harbor, asking residents to remember the occasion.

1. Public Comment

Residents again had questions on when the 911 situation would be resolved. Alderman Hamilton repeated the information and steps he has taken to move forward with the situation. Alderman Goodwine stated that he is not comfortable at this time with the possible costs that may be involved but will be open to support reinstating the 911 services once the steps and costs are determined.

The Chamber had a successful Magical Express Christmas event.

The fifth annual Christmas Dinner will be held again this year.

Alderwoman Florek moved to adjourn seconded by McElhaney. Council adjourned at 8:30 p.m.