# CITY OF HOOPESTON

# Regular Council Meeting

May 1, 2018

1. Call to order

Following the Pledge of Allegiance Clerk Lane called to order the regular council meeting of the City of Hoopeston at 7:00 p.m. on May 1, 2018 at City Hall.

1. Roll call

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

Alderman Hamilton nominated Alderman Goodwine to be Mayor Pro Temp seconded by Ankenbrand. Vote taken and approved the motion.

1. Approval of Agenda

Alderman Hamilton moved to approve the agenda seconded by Ankenbrand. Agenda was approved by voice 6-0.

1. Approval of minutes from last meeting

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

1. Presentations

None

1. Payment of Bills

Alderman Hamilton moved to approve payment of bills seconded by Ankenbrand. Bills were approved for payment by roll call vote 6-0.

1. Reports of Officers
2. Alderman Ankenbrand reported that the Christmas lights have been taken down at McFerren Park. He also announced the Firemen’s Ball to be Saturday with the Cash Bash from 4-8 p.m. The band will begin at 8:00 p.m.
3. Alderwoman Florek deferred to Steve Baker for the water department report. The consumer quality report has been completed. Also the roof has been completed on the water plant and well house. The service pump has been repaired and is up and running. New larger pumps were installed at the lift station for water service to Prairie Meadows phase II.
4. Alderman Goodwine made the motion to approve the Wage and Salary Ranges for the new fiscal year. Houmes seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken and Ordinance 2019-1 was approved by roll call 6-0.

Goodwine made the motion to adopt Ordinance 2019-2 Prevailing Wage with a second by McElhaney. Roll call vote taken and was approved 6-0.

Next Goodwine made the motion to approve the Pooling Agreement with IPRF Bi-laws. Florek seconded the motion. Resolution 2019-1 was approved 6-0.

Alderman Goodwine explained the need for the $9 Dispatch charge being included in the budget then moved to adopt the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 budget. One addition was made to the budget noting that $7500 was allocated for the tennis court at McFerren Park which will be out of the accruals. Hamilton seconded the motion. Stan Steiner questioned how the residents of apartment buildings or housing that pays one bill for all units would be charged for the Dispatch Fee. The council will look into those situations. Roll call vote was taken with Goodwine, Hamilton, Houmes, McElhaney and Florek voting aye and Ankenbrand voting no. The budget was approved 5-1. One resident asked how soon the city would start tearing down some of the designated buildings. If an owner is cooperating and in compliance with the Zoning officer’s instructions no action will be taken on the building.

1. Alderman Hamilton had nothing to report.
2. Alderman Houmes reported that landscaping and lighting is underway at the Memorial and other areas in McFerren Park and fifteen new trees planted at North Side (Cheese) Park. The pool is being readied for the summer and lifeguards and pool managers have been hired.
3. Alderman McElhaney stated that he is working to track down owners of some of the buildings that need repaired or demolished.
4. Petitions to Council

None

1. Communications

A letter from Carolyn Eyrich Masten from American Legion was requesting guidelines for fund raising at the street corners.

1. Unfinished Business

None

1. New Business

None

1. Comments by Mayor Pro Tem

Verizon will be opening a store where Cellular One was previously located.

Tom Bennet will be at City Hall Thursday May 3 at 5:15 to meet with constituents.

1. Executive Session

None

1. Adjournment

Houmes moved to adjourn seconded by Florek. Council adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Gail Lane,

City Clerk