# City of Hoopeston

# Regular Council Meeting Minutes

July 17, 2018

1. Call to order

Following the Appropriations Hearing, Mayor Crusinberry called to order the regular council meeting of the City of Hoopeston at 7:00 P.M. on July 17, 2018 at City Hall.

1. Roll call

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

1. Approval of Agenda

Alderman Ankenbrand moved to approve an amended agenda to allow a presentation from Rich Galloway of Republic Services to address the council following minutes, seconded by Florek. Amended Agenda was approved was 5-0.

1. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Clerk Lane read the minutes from the last meeting. Alderman Ankenbrand moved to approve minutes seconded by Houmes. The minutes were approved as read 5-0.

1. Presentations

Rich Galloway of Republic Services updated council on recycling guidelines and trash pickup. He explained the recycling process. Bulk pick up will be Tuesdays and Thursdays.

1. Payment of Bills

Alderman Houmes moved to approve payment of bills seconded by Florek. Roll call vote was taken and bills were approved for payment 5-0.

1. Reports of Officers
2. Alderman Ankenbrand announced a fire committee meeting to be at 6:00 p.m. at the fire station.
3. Alderwoman Florek thanked the city for getting the boil order out so quickly. Also new hydrants have been installed and the splash pad is now working.
4. Alderman Hamilton made a motion to adopt the Appropriation Ordinance for the 2018-2019 Fiscal Year. Houmes seconded the motion. Roll call vote taken and Ordinance 2019-6 was approved 5 to 0. Next Hamilton moved to hire Russ Leigh and Associates to do the annual audit at a cost not to exceed $6,600. Florek seconded the motion. Roll call taken and the motion was approved 5-0.
5. Alderman Houmes announced the Tractor Pull at McFerren Park on Saturday July 21 with fireworks following. A Pickle Ball Clinic will be held Friday morning at 10:00.
6. Alderman McElhaney made the motion to allow “Wreaths Across America” street corner collection that will be held Saturday August 4. Roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 4-1 with Alderman Houmes voting no. McElhaney also reminded residents that the football team will be selling discount cards, but not at the street corners. He also brought up the subject of the properties downtown that are in seriously bad shape and needing to be taken down. Bids are being taken for demolition of some of the buildings. A civic committee meeting will be held at 7:00 Monday August 6 to go through the bids.
7. Petitions

None

1. Communications

None

1. Unfinished Business

None

1. New Business

None

1. Mayor Comments and Announcements

The Hoopeston JC’s have requested use of McFerren for the Sweet Corn Festival. This is the 75th year for the festival. Alexis Berlin is the chairman this year.

Robinson Clinic will hold a national night out Tuesday August 7 from 4:00- 7:30 in front of the Lorraine Theater. It is requested that the street be blocked off for this event.

Property behind Schumacher Corporation that is owned by the city will be put up for bids.

There will be a Global Leadership Summit August 9 and 10.

Groundbreaking ceremony for the First Farmers Bank will be July 26 at 10:00 a.m.

The APPI bid contract has been signed for city owned properties only.

School board meeting will be Thursday and options for Honeywell school building will be discussed.

The Plan Commission has approved closure of Lincoln Street at the railroad to allow for Teasedale Foods operations. Council will vote on the ordinance for the closure at the August 7 council meeting.

Residents are reminded that a driver’s license is required to operate golf carts on city streets and Illinois Motor vehicle laws must be followed.

1. Public Comment

Bertha Parsons commented that if the Ray Williams is just boarded up at a cost of roughly $8,000 how much longer would it last before it would need to be torn down.

Other comments:

A fire at 829 E Seminary last Friday caused the property to be uninhabitable until electric is reconnected.

1. Executive Session

None

Alderwoman Florek moved to adjourn seconded by Ankenbrand. Council adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Gail Lane

City Clerk