

**WATERLOO UTILITY MEETING**  
**Monday February 09, 2015**  
**6:00 p.m.**

Mayor – Tom Smith  
City Clerk – Barbara Pace  
City Attorney – Dan Hayes  
Alderman Ward I Steve Notheisen & Russ Thomas  
Aldermen Ward II Jim Hopkins & Rita Trantham  
Alderman Ward III Charlie Metzger & Gerry Frederick  
Aldermen Ward IV Vicki Koerber & Clyde Heller  
Shawn Kennedy-Collector/Finance, Sarah Deutch-Community Relations  
Coordinator, Russ Row-Building Inspector/Code Administrator, Jim Nagel-  
Subdivision/Zoning Administrator, Tim Birk-Director of Public Works, Jim  
Trantham-Chief of Police.

**Petitions by Citizens on Non-Agenda Items.** None.

**City Clerk – Barbara Pace-** Utility Meeting Minutes dated Monday, January 12, 2015: Motion to approve minutes made by Alderman Heller and seconded by Alderman Hopkins. Correction under Public Works Report: line 9 change “The new dump truck” to “A dump truck for the City will be purchased next year.” Motion to approve minutes passed unanimously with Aldermen Heller, Notheisen, Thomas, Hopkins, Trantham, Metzger, Frederick and Koerber voting yea.

**Subdivision/Zoning Administrator** – Jim Nagel distributed site plans for 1) McDonald’s Restaurant With Drive Thru and stated McDonald’s plans are to begin building in 2015. Discussion. After revised drawings are complete Council will vote on site plan. 2) Legacy Memory Care Facility and stated preliminary earth work has begun, drainage has been approved and water meters need to be moved. Discussion. 3) Southern IL Medical Development Phases 1 and 2. These plans will go before the Planning Commission tonight. Discussion. 3) Creekside Estates Second Addition owned by Mon Clair Development LLC Jay Huetsch. An addition of a sidewalk along route 156 was discussed. Aldermen agreed to look into easements at this time and escrow money for the future. Administrator Nagel distributed the ‘Proposed Definitions to be Added to 40-1-15 Definitions’ regarding the following uses, plus “dram shop, i.e., taverns, lounges, bars”, which would be added to the list of permitted uses in the B-3 Central Business District for the following establishments know as Brewpub, Spirits Pub, Wine Pub and Alcoholic Liquor. Discussion.  
Drainage was discussed and Council decided further surveys need to be done.

**Collector/Finance Officer** – Shawn Kennedy provided information regarding 6-year old fax machine originally cost \$1400.00 and needs to be replaced and the cost of a new machine would be \$1500 with a rollover maintenance agreement which has been paid. Discussion. Council agreed to purchase of a new fax machine. Sprint and Verizon both have towers on the City water tower with original agreements dating from 1996 due to expire in 2016 with both Sprint and Verizon requesting agreement extension to 25 years. Tim Birk explained any interference between Sprint and Verizon is to be settled between them and the City needs to add a clause to the agreement in case the water tower is ever torn down the agreement is cancelled. The Council

agreed. Shawn told about a meeting Mayor Smith, Sarah Deutch and her attended Tuesday, January 27 at the Monroe County Courthouse regarding the Bi Centennial for Monroe County with over 30 people attending. Plans to celebrate in 2016 for the 200<sup>th</sup> birthday were suggested with sponsorships and other funding sources being discussed. Alderman Koerber will serve on the Finance Committee and Sarah and Shawn will serve on the Outreach and Special Events Committees. Mayor Smith said he would like an event like a History Fair with students participating tying in the Col. Morrison Library building with the City giving \$5000 to start off with contributions. Discussion. The Council agreed.

**Community Relations Coordinator-Sarah Deutch** explained the action on the donation to the Waterloo Fire Department memorial bell plaza in the amount of \$500 for a 12”x12” tribute paver to be paid out of the Downtown Beautification/Video Gaming Fund. The bell from the old firehouse is being relocated to the new firehouse. This will be placed on February 17 Council Agenda. Sarah distributed a 2015 Calendar of Events. Discussion. Also distributed a survey from the Waterloo Republic Times with ranking of towns in the state of Illinois regarding Great Schools, Median Home Value, 1999-2013 Family Income Growth, 2013 Median Family Income, Percent of Residents Married With Children and Young Families.’ Waterloo ranks 14<sup>th</sup>. Discussion. A review of the Gibault students’ studies of historic buildings was shown and discussed which was shown on KTVI channel 2. The Gibault program will be presented at City Hall Wednesday. A plaque which will go on each building was displayed for the Council to look at and this cost will come from the Video Gaming Fund. Work is being done on a nomination for the Green Leaf Award for Doug Sparwassar for his work with 4-H and the Fishing Pier. Also efforts being made to acquire a grant for tuck pointing expenses for the old bridges in Monroe County. Discussion.

**Building Inspector/Code Administrator-Russ Row distributed** and reported on the ytd violations, Rental Inspections with 28 violations for rental inspections and 17 letters sent out in January, New Construction Inspections to be made, dumpster/POD permits issued and construction Projects: 15 houses, 1 duplex and 4 commercial. Discussion. Alderman Notheisen requested the annual totals/summaries for each year for inspections, violations, permits and construction projects.

**Director of Public Works – Tim Birk** stated 3 city vehicles will be up for disposal and put up for auction. 2 KVA transformers will be out for the next 2 weeks. Requested funds for the Moore Street Project will be submitted this week to the East-West Gateway for grant. The Vandebrook project bids will open March 17, 2015 and the City will offer incentives (\$10,000.00) to contractors for sooner completion dates. The Council agreed to the incentive plan. The Park & Ride Construction project will start May 1, 2015. Lakeview Drive bid-letting will be March 6, 2015. The Second Sight Systems for the lift stations is going out of business after April 1, 2015. Tim stated he will look for another company to replace Second Sight. Problems with the recording on Elsie Kolmer project with Jay Huetsch are being worked on. Wednesday, February 11, 2015 work will begin on the ADA sidewalk improvements where no salt will be allowed for 1 year; Tim will inform the surrounding businesses of this rule and the City will keep the sidewalks swept.

**City Attorney – Dan Hayes** regarding the flooding on Mockingbird Lane: Dan Hayes read from the Illinois Municipal Law regarding a special service area tax for specific sections in a town for specific areas. Discussion. The Council decided the Street and Drainage Committee will meet to discuss this. Dan explained the Debonis property easement and Mr. Debonis' request for \$50,000.00 for loss of his crops. Discussion. The Homeowners Association would be responsible for detention ponds and if the Association refuses to pay, the City could go after the Association; Dan stated he will draft correspondence regarding this. Regarding the Skate Park; February 12 is the last day to request a dismissal or appeal in the Norris case.

**Chief of Police-Jim Trantham** reported Deputy Chief of Police, Mike Douglas will leave with the Reserves going to Guam and Hawaii Tuesday, February 17, 2015 and will return the 1<sup>st</sup> week in March. Chief will attend South Illinois Law enforcement training February 24-26, 2015.

**Mayor Smith** – attended Governor Rauner's speech in Troy: He is high on education reform, tort reform, workman's comp, vocational training and he is not anti-union but in favor of right to work. State representative, Jerry Costello and his father donated \$1000.00 to the Civil War project. 'Subliminal' restaurant changed their name to 'Mamma's on Main' with the same owners. Discussion.

### **Committee Reports**

**Alderman Heller reported** The Mayor will meet Tuesday, February 10, 2015 with the school district regarding the old yellow building belonging to the school district at 339 East Fourth Street requesting it be torn down this spring. Discussion.

**Alderman Notheisen** reported the play; Murder at the Manor presented by Friends of the Morrison Talbott Library February 6th at the old Morrison library was well attended with good food.

**Alderman Koerber** explained a phone call she received from a school board member regarding ways to reduce utilities at the schools. Discussion.

**Adjournment** – Motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Notheisen and seconded by Alderman Heller. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote. Mayor Smith adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

**Barbara Pace, City Clerk**