## WATERLOO UTILITY MEETING Monday June 8, 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 Stan Darter & Gerry Frederick
Aldermen Ward IV Vicki Koerber & Clyde Heller
Shawn Kennedy-Collector/Finance, 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 Wednesday, May 11, 2015: Motion to approve minutes made by Alderman Frederick and seconded by Alderman Heller. Discussion. Corrections; Item under Comprehensive Plan from Mary Vandevord, Gateway Conservancy to Mary Vanderford, Heartland Conservatory, Collector/Finance Officer from there will be 50-100 water stations to there will be 5-10 water stations, Director of Public Works from the Mockingbird detention pond to the proposed Mockingbird detention pond and Illinois Historical Preservation group to Illinois Department of Natural Resources. Motion to approve May 11, 2015 corrected minutes passed unanimously with Aldermen Frederick, Koerber, Notheisen, Heller, Thomas, Hopkins, Trantham and Darter voting yea.

Collector/Finance Officer – Shawn Kennedy stated to date there have been 6 entries for the Yards of Distinction. Alderman Notheisen stated the Garden Club is actively looking for more entries. Nominations will be submitted for Gibault for their Landmark Illinois project. Descendants of Civil War veterans honored are being sought out. Submission for the Fishing Pier will be submitted for the Governor's Home Town Award. New banners along Market Street will be hung with the program is in the 3<sup>rd</sup> year. Work continues on the Bicentennial and the Cahokia-Kaskaskia Trail. PortaWestfalica parade is next Tuesday June 16, 2015 with request to line up at 5:30 p.m. at Gibault. The Hotel-Motel Tax collected to date is \$17,255.Dispersments are \$15,360 with a balance of \$90,000. Super 8 taxes are past due. Discussion. Video Gaming balance is \$69,500 with \$50,000 from last year with expenses of \$53,000 leaving a balance of \$16,500 dispersing includes the hanging flower baskets, Garden Club, Christmas decorations/replacements, Cahokia/Kaskaskia Trail signs, extra Fishing Pier project not included in grant, Christmas decorations for Chamber and firehouse brick. The Waterloo historic signs will come out of the fund later. The new Waterloo logo shirts were discussed.

**Subdivision/Zoning Administrator** – **Jim Nagel** stated the Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals have met and looked at the Comprehensive Plan. The Council will vote on a final decision after the Planning Commission makes their recommendation. Discussion. Jim stated Remington Ridge has an extension until September and there is a possible purchaser. Discussion. Both proposed breweries are progressing slowly. At Country Club Hills Chris Jones

accepted the City's recommendations for regrading and protective fences for the silt. Discussion. Creek Side Estates 2<sup>nd</sup> addition will get a plat review. Discussion. The allowances and proposed sidewalk on Route 156 was discussed. McDonalds will begin construction on June 15, 2015. The Children's First Learning Center has begun construction. JFires owner Jack Pensoneau met with Jim and Russ Row and is planning completion of the new roof on the barn and will build a bar on the first floor of the barn and hopes to begin building by winter. Discussion. Chris Wilson wants to develop some kind of a 'set aside for new subdivisions.' Methamphetamine clean-up for former meth labs was discussed. Attorney Dan Hayes has researched various clean-up procedures and certifications. Discussion. The Council agreed to formulate an ordinance for future rentals. Permits have been issued for 3 single family dwellings and 2 condominiums.

**Director of Public Works** – **Tim Birk** stated job interviews will begin for the CAD Operator position now held by Gina Wetzler. Discussion. Letters went out to the residents of Vandebrook regarding the future road project. If the weather cooperates this week the Community Park & Ride project will be completed with the striping and rip-rap complete. Bid openings today for the micro sealing downtown was awarded to low bidder, Missouri Petroleum for \$245,000. Sewer line bids will open June 30, 2015. The Ordinance Committee approved the speed limit from Hartman to S. Library Drive changed to 35 mph. Tim displayed railroad spikes found while redoing the crosswalks from the old Waterloo Trolley. He also showed the Council the plastic top of a street light which a squirrel had eaten. A memo with photo was distributed from Chris Wilson engineer's regarding the detention pond north of Westview Acres (Mockingbird Lane). Discussion. The Council agreed to proceed to dig. The stamped crosswalks cost: \$120,825, Courthouse: \$24,550. Discussion. The handicapped parking project will be done later. Discussion.

Chief of Police-Jim Trantham stated he, Mike Douglas and Jeff Prosise attended a 16-hour training program 'Event Security Planning for Public Safety Professionals' today at the Belleville Fire Department with police departments from the surrounding area; Shiloh, O'Fallon, Belleville and Millstadt. Good interaction between all departments. The Hot Rod Tour members will be coming through town tomorrow around 9 a.m. on their way to Memphis with a total of approximately 3000 vehicles on Route 3 with the possibility of some stopping in Waterloo to shop. Wednesday, June 10 all the area police chiefs will meet in Fairview Heights with Steve Wiggington which is always a good meeting. Friday, June 12 Waterloo Police Department will meet at the firing range in Valmeyer. Chief Trantham received a call from a Northwinds resident regarding speeding and reckless drivers: After extensive surveillance no one was found going over 35 mph. 15 new laptops have been received for the police department are being installed later after the first trial on first laptop. The older police cars are being worked on. Discussion. Wednesday, June 10 the Department will receive the judge's order on the confiscated pickup containing \$8000 cash and drugs. Drugs and distribution at the Skate Park was discussed.

City Attorney – Dan Hayes – No Report.

Mayor's Report – Mayor Smith reported the Norris' are suing the Park District for the skate park being a nuisance and taking their property and this does not include the City. Mayor Smith has been contacted by Jen Mechler and Andrew Cooper from the Library Board regarding the

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Col. Morrison Talbott Library which is now vacant since the Waterloo School offices have vacated. The building must go back to the family or be used for a research facility. Discussion

**Committee Reports – Alderman Heller** will take over as Insurance Chairman due to Alderman Thomas' being on call at any time for the birth of his child. Alderman Heller reported Charter Communications agreed to bury the exposed cables for which they have received complaints and the cables were buried Monday.

**Alderman Notheisen** – stated the parking for the Monroe Actors Stage Company "See How They Run' over the weekend was difficult with the Car Show at the same time. He suggested a Community Calendar for better scheduling to eliminate this problem in the future. Discussion. This will be looked into.

**Alderman Koerber -** suggested guide posts for the Fishing Pier are needed. The GLOW citywide yard sale over the weekend was successful. However, garage sale signs around the City should be removed after the sales by those who posted them. Discussion. Notice will be put in the Newsletter. Alderman Koerber suggested the Council should be aware of more details regarding changing brokers before the vote at the Council Meeting. Discussion. The Mayor stated we need to trust the Committee to come to a final decision.

**Adjournment** – Motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Thomas and seconded by Alderman Heller. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote. Mayor Smith adjourned the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

Barbara Pace, City Clerk