

Mayor Ted Aggen called a meeting of the Sterling City Council to order at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, May 15, 2006. Present: Aldermen Adell, Cox, Francis, Lee, Martin and Viering.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Communications From Visitors: None

Alderman Lee made a motion to approve the items on the Consent Agenda, as follows:

- 1) City Council Minutes of May 1, 2006
- 2) Bills and Payroll totaling \$409,040.51
- 3) Petition from the Sterling American Legion Auxiliary to collect donations for poppies on Friday, May 26, 2006 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in front of area businesses
- 4) Petition to close streets for the Gus Macker Tournament from 6:00 p.m. on June 15 to 6:00 a.m. on June 19

The motion was seconded by Alderman Cox. Voting: Ayes – All. Nays – None. Motion carried.

Mayor Aggen read a proclamation honoring the 150th anniversary of the First United Methodist Church building on Broadway. Alderman Cox made a motion to approve the proclamation as read; seconded by Alderman Viering. Voting: Ayes – All. Nays – None. Motion carried. Mayor Aggen then presented a copy of the proclamation to members of the church.

Mayor Aggen read a proclamation declaring the week of May 21- 27 as National Public Works Week in Sterling. Alderman Francis moved to approve the proclamation as read; seconded by Alderman Viering. Voting: Ayes – All. Nays – None. Motion carried.

Mayor Aggen read a proclamation declaring June 10-11 as American Cancer Society Relay for Life Day of Whiteside County in Sterling. Alderman Viering moved to approve the proclamation as read; seconded by Alderman Francis. Voting : Ayes – All. Nays – None. Motion carried.

Alderman Lee made a motion to waive the bid procedure and purchase a dump truck cab and chassis through the State Purchase Program in the amount of \$44,677.00. The motion was seconded by Alderman Adell. Voting: Ayes – All. Nays – None. Motion carried.

Alderman Adell made a motion to authorize the Mayor to execute an Agreement for Creek Maintenance at the Aldrich Addition Subdivision and Joint Application to the Department of Natural Resources/Office of Water Resources for the development of the Aldrich Addition Subdivision. The motion was seconded by Alderman Martin. Voting: Ayes – All. Nays – None. Motion carried.

City Manager Jay Wieland distributed copies of the Northern Illinois Regional Profile from Northern Illinois University to the Council. Wieland also invited the Council and staff to visit outgoing Finance Director Pam Filippi on May 25th to wish her farewell. The tally of USEPA grants so far is \$2.18 million. Street reconstruction is nearly ready, although Avenue G will cost more than originally estimated. Staff is currently reviewing different cost saving measures. Lastly, Wieland added that all of the recent rain has caused some delays in the McFall Landfill project.

Alderman Lee commended Ron Coplan, City Attorney, for moving forward on the Lance Carter estate property.

Mayor Aggen reminded everyone of the Memorial Day service to be held at the Grandon Civic Center on Memorial Day.

With no further business to discuss, Alderman Martin made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Alderman Viering. Voting: Ayes – All. Nays – None. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

Scott Shumard
Assistant City Manager