

**OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL**  
**OF THE CITY OF HENRY**

1) The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Henry was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by the Mayor, Doug Wilson, March 20, 2017 at the Municipal Building. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was directed by the Clerk.

Present: Alderman Fountain, Schrowang, Bergfeld, Friedrich, Karls, Carr

Absent:

Administrative: Absent, Treasurer Young

Also Present: Chief of Police, Steve Maurer, Supt. of Public Works, Tom Maubach, Sewer Operator, Bill Lester, Joyce Wood, Diana Williamson, Ione Glatz, Mary Ann Magnuson, Harold Sprague, Lisa Friedrich, Shane Aldrich, Jeff Calandra, Bill Maupin, Dan Keith, Dale Marliere, Dan Thompson

2) Mayor Wilson welcomed everyone to the March 20<sup>th</sup> council meeting. Mayor reminded everyone the Consolidated Election is Tuesday, April 4<sup>th</sup> and hope everyone gets out and votes.

3) Regular Minutes for February 20, 2017 were presented, dispensing with the reading, all members had previously received copy of the minutes. A motion was made by Alderman Schrowang and seconded by Alderman Fountain to approve the Regular Minutes and Closed Session Minutes as presented. Roll call.

Yeas: Alderman Fountain, Schrowang, Bergfeld, Friedrich, Karls

Present: Alderman Carr

Nays: None

Motion carried

4) Accounts Payable were presented, dispensing with the reading as all members had previously received copies. A motion to authorize payment of the accounts as presented was made by Alderman Karls and seconded by Alderman Friedrich. (For itemization see Accounts Payable for March, 2017). Roll call.

Yeas: Alderman Fountain, Schrowang, Bergfeld, Friedrich, Karls, Carr

Nays: None

Motion carried

5) Treasurers report for the Month of February, 2017 was presented, dispensing with the reading as all members had previously received copies. A motion was made by Alderman Schrowang and seconded by Alderman Karls to accept the reports as presented. (a copy to be place on file.) Roll call.

Yeas: Alderman Fountain, Schrowang, Bergfeld, Friedrich, Karls, Carr

Nays: None

Motion carried

6) Mayor Wilson acknowledged the visitors. Back in 2005 ( error on the date-

should be 2015) I came in front of the council and address about Governor Rauner's opposing government consolidation task force that he wanted to create. I (Bill) have not heard much since, so I am addressing the council to see if they have done anything, and have taking the liberty in filing a list of information. Newspaper articles of information and basically to sum it up, creating guidelines, now being considered and voted on in Springfield. Eventually the General Assembly will be voting on the consolidating townships. There is no secret in what my goal is, I think Henry Township, a small township, doesn't need to be existing any longer, would be better the community be combined with Whitefield Township or be dissolved. The bill that they are trying to put through the recommendation allows the community actually through referendum vote to dissolve the local government. It is not passed as yet pending the legislature, the assets of the unit government be dissolved could be divided and referendum voted on. If that is the way I understand it, I talked to Chuck Weaver about it, should that happen, the county has no option but accept the responsibility. Bill stated he would like for the council to look at the information and study it, I know it is touching, City of Henry as far as the assessed valuation of Henry Township, according to the figures about 75% of money goes towards Henry Township. The Henry Township has given back some money to the City from Road & Bridge. As far as the duties of the Henry Township applies to, is General Assistance and that would be all county aid. So I would like for the council in reviewing the proposals again and considering the Mayor to appoint somebody to talk to the task force and keep informed on it. A lot of articles have been in the Peoria Journal Star and the News Tribune about this same issue. At one time I asked to be that person, I am going to decline that, this is very important and because I would hate to see consolidation going to another angle, let's say that building would get combined, get housed by another township. Bill thanked the council, please read the information, Bill handed the original copy to the Clerk to make a copy and return the original to Bill. (document on file in City Hall).

7) Finance and Insurance Chairman Karls discussed allocating Revenue & Expense Funds for the Covenant & Impact Fee payment from Ozinga Materials. A new revenue account of \$50,000 will be allocated for Port Improvements to meet the contractual obligations and \$50,000 will be budgeted under new expense account. The remaining \$50,000 balance will be allocated of new revenue account and a new expense account of \$50,000 will be budgeted under streets & lights. It was also discussed that we need a line item for Equipment.

8) Building & Grounds Chairman Friedrich: No action is needed of Engineering Cost for Installation of Life Guard Chair at the Henry Swimming Pool. It was stated as long as the chairs are amounted 42" between the fence and life guard chairs and are not metal engineer is not necessary.

Alderman Friedrich presented a proposal from Niles Industrial Coatings on Municipal Pool Caulking and Touch up Painting. Niles Industrial will provide labor, material, equipment for the scope of work at a cost of \$10,620 and if the council would decide on Option #1 – to brush blast the entire pool and apply two coats of high solids epoxy to all previously painted surface, add \$19,980 to the amount of \$10,620, total cost for all the

work on the gutters and pool will be \$30,600. That would be super too do but with doing the major work on the decking and the concrete around the pool, just do the caulking improvements this spring. Supt. of Public Works, Tom Maubach stated the caulking has to be done before the swimming pool can open this spring. Alderman Friedrich made motion and was seconded by Alderman Karls to approve the caulking at the cost of \$10,620. Roll call

Yeas: Alderman Carr, Karls Friedrich, Bergfled, Schrowang, Fountain

Nays: None

Motion carried

Alderman Friedrich opened the seal bid to purchase the property located at 210 Cromwell Drive. There was only one bid, Masters Enterprises, LLC, bid amount is \$87,000. Alderman Friedrich requested to go into closed session at the end of the regular meeting further discussion on the bid and after the closed session will announce whether the council accepts or reject that amount.

Alderman Friedrich opened the seal bids on 1988 Dodge Dakota Pickup. The following bids were open:

Ken Villiger ..... \$ 75.00

Dale Marliere ..... \$150.00

Alderman Friedrich made a motion and was seconded by Alderman Karls to approve the seal bid on 1988 Dodge Dakota Pickup to Dale Marliere for \$150.00. Roll call

Yeas: Alderman Fountain, Schrowang, Bergfeld, Friedrich, Karls, Carr

Nays: None

Motion carried

Alderman Friedrich read the Arbor Day Foundation notice congratulating the City of Henry on earning recognition as a 2016 Tree City USA. Residents of Henry should be proud to live in a community that makes the planting and care of trees a priority. Henry is one of more than 3,400 Tree City USA's with a combined population of 140 million. State foresters are responsible for the presentation of the Tree City USA flag and other materials. The state foresters will forward information about the city's awards.

It was announced that Arbor Day will be Friday, April 28<sup>th</sup> in Stoner Park.

Supt of Public Works, Tom Maubach stated part-time summer help application will be reviewed for next month's council meeting.

Alderman Friedrich gave an update on starting some research on electronic pick up for the city wide clean up in May. Marshall County will be having a spring clean-up in April and it will be held in Toluca.

9) Police & ESDA Chairman Carr made a motion and was seconded by Alderman Bergfled to approve a donation \$500 toward the K-9 Rehabilitation medical cost. Roll call

Yeas: Alderman Fountain, Schrowang, Bergfeld, Friedrich, Karls, Carr

Nays: None  
Motion carried

Chief of Police, Steve Maurer announced starting the 1<sup>st</sup> of April an article will be put in the Henry News reminding the residents to clean up the junk around their properties, abandoned vehicles, and unlicensed vehicles. Also, starting April 1<sup>st</sup> the police department will be registering Golf Carts.

10) Street and Lights Chairman Fountain made a motion and was seconded by Alderman Schrowang to approve Henry Senachwine High School permission to have a cross walk from the bus barn across to the school on College Street. Roll call.

Yeas: Alderman Carls, Karls, Friedrich, Bergfled, Schrowang, Fountain  
Nays: None  
Motion carried

Supt. of Public Works, Tom Maubach stated the 2017 Motor Fuel Tax (MFT) paperwork has been filed. Also, IDOT bid letting for Route #18 will be in April.

11) Zoning and Planning Chairman Bergfeld

12) Water and Sewer Chairman Schrowang made a motion and was seconded by Alderman Karls to approve a new water line at Don Foley's Rental Property on Adam Street. The city share is \$1,547.70 and Foley's share will be \$663.30. Roll call

Yeas: Alderman Fountain, Schrowang, Bergfled, Friedrich, Karls, Carr  
Nays: None  
Motion carried

Alderman Schrowang made a motion and was seconded by Alderman Fountain to approve purchasing Nitrate Removal Resin at a cost of \$44,818. Roll call

Yeas: Alderman Bergfled, Friedrich, Karls, Carr, Fountain, Schrowang  
Nays: None  
Motion carried

Alderman Schrowang made a motion and was seconded by Alderman Carr to approve amending the ordinance on new water and sewer rates. The water and sewer rates will stay the same, \$60.00, remove debt reduction to maintenance repair and add storm sewer rates. Roll call.

Yeas: Alderman Fountain, Schrowang, Bergfeld, Friedrich, Karls, Carr  
Nays: None  
Motion carried

Alderman Schrowang made a motion and was seconded by Alderman Friedrich to approve Giffin Engineering Electrical Building Model review and Plan review at a cost of \$4,240. Roll call

Yeas: Alderman Fountain, schrowang, Bergfled, Friedrich Karls  
Nays: Alderman Carr

Motion carried

Alderman Schrowang made a motion and was seconded by Alderman Fountain to approve repair material for #4 Well House at a cost of \$1,600. Four windows, a door and indoor sealing. Roll call

Yeas: Alderman Carr, Karls, Friedrich, Bergfeld, Schrowang, Fountain

Nays: None

Motion carried

At the close of the regular council meeting Alderman Schrowang requested to go into close session on Real Estate.

Update from Supt. of Public Works stated the water project is 90% done except doing the asphalt.

13) TIF Committee Chairman Bergfeld had nothing to report

14) Economic Development: Alderman Bergfeld stated that Nora from North Central Council of Government is no longer an employee.

15) Communication – Henry Chamber of Commerce Meeting/5:30 pm Tues., Apr.

4<sup>th</sup> River Park Visitor Center

- Tree Commission Board Meeting/Thurs., Apr. 6<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm  
River Park Visitor Center

- City Hall Closed Fri. Apr. 14<sup>th</sup> Good Friday

- Henry Chamber of Commerce Easter egg Hunt/Apr. 15<sup>th</sup>  
10:00 am Stoner Park

-Perdew Association Board Meeting/6:00 pm Wed. Apr. 19<sup>th</sup>  
Perdew House/Carroll Street

- Henry Senachwine High School 2017 Baccalaureate/Fri.  
May 26<sup>th</sup> 8:00 am/Henry United Methodist Church

16) Old Business:

17) New Business: Alderman Schrowang made a motion and was seconded by Alderman Bergfeld to approve \$150.00 to Henry's Annual Easter Egg Hunt, Saturday, April 1<sup>st</sup> at Stoner Park. Roll call

Yeas: Alderman Fountain, Schrowang, Bergfeld, Friedrich, Karls, Carr

Nays: None

Motion carried

Alderman Friedrich made a motion and was seconded by Alderman Karls to approve \$100.00 to Henry Area Chamber of Commerce Scholarship Fund. Roll call

Yeas: Alderman Fountain, Schrowang, Bergfeld, Friedrich, Karls, Carr

Nays: None

Motion carried

Alderman Karl made a motion and was seconded by Alderman Friedrich to approve \$100.00 Henry Certificates to the Post Prom. Roll call

Yeas: Alderman Fountain, Schrowang, Bergfled, Friedrich, Karls, Carr

Nays: None

Motion carried

Alderman Carr made a motion and was seconded by Alderman Karls to approve Henry Apostolic Tabernacle permission to stage their annual "Peanut Day" fundraising event on Saturday, May 6, 2017, if the weather does not permit, they are requesting Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup>. They will use two locations to hand out peanuts at the intersection of Hwy 29 and Hwy 18. Roll call

Yeas: Alderman Fountain, Schrowang, Bergfled, Friedrich, Karls, Carr

Nays: None

Motion carried

Alderman Bergfled made a motion and was seconded by Alderman Schrowang to approve Laborers' Local 996 permission to solicit donations during Father's Day weekend for the benefit of the Diabetes Research Institute at the University of Miami School of Medicine in Florida. This is their Annual Dollars Against Diabetes campaign on June 17, 2017. The campaign for funds will be at the 3 way stop on Rt. 18 and on the intersection of Rt. 18 and Rt. 29. Roll call

Yeas: Alderman Carr, Karls, Friedrich, Bergfeld, Schrowang, Fountain

Nays: None

Motion carried

18) At 7:20 p.m. Alderman Friedrich made a motion and was seconded by Alderman Karls to go into closed session on Section 120/2(c)(6) for the purpose of discussing "the setting of a price for the sale or lease of property owned by the public body and Acquisition and Purchase of Real Estate 5ILCS 120/2(c)(5). Roll call

Yeas: Alderman Fountain, Schrowang, Bergfeld, Friedrich, Karls, Carr

Nays: None

Motion carried

19) At 7:45 pm Alderman Schrowang made a motion and was seconded by Alderman Karls to go back into open session. Roll call

Yeas: Alderman Fountain, Schrowang, Bergfeld, Friedrich, Karls, Carr

Nays: None

Motion carried

Alderman Friedrich made a motion and was seconded by Alderman Karls to accept the approval on the seal bid of real estate property in the amount of \$87,000 pending the approval of Zoning Board of Appeals of subdividing the property. Roll call

Yeas: Alderman Fountain, Schrowang, Bergfled, Friedrich, Karls, Carr

Nays: None  
Motion carried

20) At 7:50 p.m. a motion was made by Alderman Schrowang and seconded by Alderman Karls to adjourn the meeting. Roll call.

Yeas: Alderman Fountain Schrowang, Bergfled, Friedrich, Karls, Carr

Nays: None  
Motion carried

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Clerk, Jean Goldner

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Mayor Doug Wilson