

OFFICIALS MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF HENRY

01) 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, November 20, 2017 at the Municipal Building. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was directed by the Clerk.

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

Administrative: Treasurer Young

Also Present: Supt. of Public Works, Bill Lester, Chief of Police, Steve Maurer, Bing Wilson, Gerald Kuczera, Ione Glatz, Joyce Wood, Diana Williamson, April M. Rowe, Jamie Appel, Lynn Rowe, Traci Dowell

02) Mayor Wilson welcomed everyone to the November 20, 2017 council meeting.

03) Regular Minutes for October 16, 2017 were presented, dispensing with the reading, all members had previously received copies of the minutes. A motion was made by Alderman Karls and seconded by Alderman Fountain to approve the Regular Minutes, Closed Session Minutes, and Special Council Minutes as presented. Roll call.

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

Nays: None

Motion carried

04) 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 Keith and seconded by Alderman Schrowang. (For itemization see Accounts Payable for Nov., 2017). Roll call.

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

Nays: None

Motion carried

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

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

Nays: None

Motion carried

06) Mayor Wilson acknowledged the visitors: MSW Projects of Henry Executive Director, Traci Dowell spoke to the council about **“THE SENIOR SAVER PROGRAM.** MSW Projects of Henry is a local, charitable, not for profit organization, partially funded by federal and state grants along with community donations offers programs to individuals of Marshall, Stark, and Woodford Counties. MSW Projects is a senior citizen nutrition program, a public transportation program, and senior citizen

outreach program. In 2015 MSW Project of Henry had to eliminate meal service one day for 26 weeks due to the lack of State of Illinois budget. If no funding is received by the end of the year, temporary closures will once again be made. The **SENIOR SAVER PROGRAM** will help to ensure that the Senior Citizen Nutrition Program continues to be available for those in need of this very important service.to help offset the lack of State funding received so no cuts will be made to the Senior Citizen Nutrition program, and to help with those senior citizens who are unable to make a donation, the suggested donation for a meal is \$4.00, 60 years & older Traci stated you can help save a senior meal for a day by donating \$4 for a week by donating \$20, or for a month by donation \$100. MSW Projects have been helping seniors since 1974. The program has served over 35,000 meals in 2016. Alderman Karls made a motion and was seconded by Alderman Bergfeld to donate \$300 to the “**SENIOR SAVER PROGRAM.**” Roll call.

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

Nays: None

Motion carried

Mayor Wilson stated that United Suppliers has been sold and was bought out by Unity Envirotech of Illinois LLC and is being managed by Veolia. Mayor met with the new owners of Unity Envirotech, Hermann Wittje, Chief Executive Officer and Veolia, Jeff Ellison, Project Manager and was stated improvements will be made at the plant in the near future.

Marshall Putnam Relay For Life, Lynn Rowe spoke to the council about the upcoming dates and request permission barricading Main Street to Central Park and permission to use Central Park. On Friday, April 20, 2018 the Marshall-Putnam Relay For Life will host the 22nd annual event in downtown Henry. The committee is working with the Henry Legion and would also like to utilize Main Street from the Legion up to Central Park. Would like to request permission from the city to use Central Park and barricade the indicated street Friday, April 20th from 4:00 pm to 10:00 pm. Alderman Karls made a motion and was seconded by Alderman Keith to give permission for the M-P Relay For Life in barricading Main Street from the Legion Building up to Central Park. Roll call.

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

Nays: None

Motion carried

Alderman Keith made a motion and was seconded by Alderman Karls permission to use Central Park Friday, April 20th, 4:00 pm to 10:00 pm for the Marshall-Putnam Relay For Life. Roll call

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

Nays: None

Motion carried

Gerald Kuczera attending the council meeting promoting Illinois River Valley Sales Drive to promote tourism and Growth to the River Valley in hopes the town will join and sponsor this event. The event would start from Seneca, Marseillas, Mark, Granville, Cedar Point, Lacon, Utica, Chillicothe. This would be a two day event, May 19th & 20th,

2018. Jerry would like for the City of Henry to sponsor Illinois River Valley Days and have vendors, crafts, food, arts and entertainment along the Illinois River Front. Alderman Karls stated that an organization in town should sponsor the event not the City of Henry. It was suggested that maybe the Economic Development Committee would look into this further. No decision was made and discussion was tabled.

07) Finance and Insurance Chairman Keith introduced the new Deputy Clerk, Tara Lewis who is replacing Deputy Clerk, Suzie Fansler. Suzie is retiring December 15th.

Alderman Keith made a motion and was seconded by Alderman Karls to approve Deputy Clerk, Tara Lewis as an authorized signer on the checks when the City Clerk, Jean Goldner is not available. Roll call.

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

Nays: None

Motion carried

Alderman Keith made a motion and was seconded by Alderman Schrowang to transfer from General Fund \$10,000 to Streets/Vehicle Maintenance, GL #01-41-5130. Roll call.

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

Nays: None

Motion carried

08) Building & Grounds Chairman Friedrich had nothing to report.

Supt. of Public Works, Bill Lester stated the mowers have been put away and the snow plows have come out of storage.

09) Police & ESDA Chairman Karls had nothing to report.

Update from Chief of Police: Chief Maurer reported on the training class that he had attended. A lot of updates LEDS and also was mentioned that Sergeant John Williamson had attended some training classes.

10) Streets & Lights Chairman Bergfeld stated the snow plow on the 1 Ton Truck needs to be replaced, it is 27 years old. Alderman Bergfeld made a motion and was seconded by Alderman Karls to approve replacing 8' Western Snow Plow at approximately \$7,000. Roll call.

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

Nays: None

Motion carried

11) Zoning and Planning Chairman Fountain had nothing to report

12) Water and Sewer Chairman Schrowang made a motion and was seconded by Alderman Friedrich to approve purchasing tires for the 2010 truck at a cost of \$650.00 from Roberts Bros. Roll call.

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

Alderman Schrowang gave an update on the Water & Sewer Committee Meeting. It was suggested to get quotes on a new backhoe, also this spring getting quotes on the Sterling Truck Box.

Update from Supt. of Public Works, Bill Lester stated the Nitrate Building has been completed and Giffin Engineering will be doing the paper work on going out for bids on the electric. Bill also stated the building had to be moved because of 2" water main running along the sidewalk which changes the elevation.

13) Economic Development: Alderman Keith presented the 2 + 2 EAV Housing Project Development Agreement. Mayor Wilson stated the City would offer an incentive to private developers to redevelop existing vacant lots or lots with damaged, dilapidated, or unsafe structures within the City limits. The City will pay for pouring of the basement. Basically the agreement with developers is to get rid of the eye sores of structures in the City Limits.

14) TIF Committee Chairman Bergfeld had nothing to report

15) Communication Henry Santa parade Sat., Dec. 2nd 11:00am
-Illinois Bicentennial Flag Raising Ceremony Mon., Dec. 4th
12:00 o'clock Central Park
- Henry Chamber of Commerce Board Meeting/Thurs., Dec. 7th
5:30 pm River Park Center
-Perdew Board Meeting Wed., Dec. 13th 6:00 pm RPC
- Henry Chamber of Commerce Holiday Social Wed. Dec. 13th

16) Old Business:

17) New Business: Alderman Keith made a motion and was seconded by Alderman Schrowang to approve Resolution #03-17 – **RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF ILLINOIS BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATIONS.** Roll call.

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

On Monday, December 4, 2017 at Noon, the City will participate in an Illinois Bicentennial Flag Raising Ceremony in Central Park. Illinois will celebrate the state's 200th birthday. The Flag Raising ceremony will help kickoff a yearlong celebration that pays tribute to the people, places, and things that are being **BORN, BUILT, & GROWN** here every single day. The Clerk, Jean Goldner stated that Henry American Legion, Henry Rotary, Henry Chamber of Commerce, Henry Grade School, and Henry High School, and all the Ministers have been contacted.

18) At 7:27 p.m. a motion was made by Alderman Friedrich and seconded by Alderman Keith to adjourn the meeting. Roll call.

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

Nays: None

Motion carried

Clerk, Jean Goldner

Mayor Doug Wilson