Murphysboro City Council Meeting
February 14, 2012

The Murphysboro, Illinois, City Council met in regular session, pursuant to its ordinances, on the 14th day of February, 2012. Mayor Ron Williams called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and Pastor Waldon led the council in prayer. Following the invocation, Mayor Williams lead the council in the pledge of allegiance to the flag. Mayor Williams then directed City Clerk Cottonaro to call the roll. The roll was called with the following

Present: Barbara Hughes, Vicki Ardrey, Bill Pierson, Mark Costa, Sandra Bullar, Russell Brown, Gary McComb

Absent: Mike Bastien, Dan Bratton

Motion: To approve the minutes of the January 10, 2012 council meeting. All aldermen received a copy of the minutes, for their review, prior to the meeting.
Motion by Alderman Pierson Second by Alderman Costa
Mayor called for a voice vote. All were in favor.
Motion Carried

Motion: **To approve the accounts payable, register # 442 and #443 through February 10, 2012, accounts receivable through February 10, 2012 and payroll through February 10, 2012. All aldermen received a copy of the accounts payable, accounts receivable and payroll for their review, prior to the meeting.**
Motion by Alderman Bullar Second by Alderman Costa
Mayor called for a voice vote. All were in favor.
Motion Carried

REQUESTS FROM THE FLOOR

Tom Novara and several citizens inquired about the status of the sidewalks at the Town Park Project. Mayor Williams explained the city's position on the sidewalks.

COMMITTEE/COMMISSION REPORTS

Alderman Bullar read the minutes of the Public Safety Committee meeting of January 23, 2012.

Motion: **To approve the ID Card Policy**
Motion by Alderman Bullar Seconded by Alderman Costa
Mayor called for a voice vote. All were in favor.
Motion Carried

Motion: **To approve a 30 MPH speed limit on County Club Road from the city limits to Rt. 13.**
Motion by Alderman McComb Seconded by Alderman Bullar
Ayes: Barbara Hughes, Vicki Ardrey, Bill Pierson, Mark Costa, Sandra Bullar, Russell Brown, Gary McComb
Nays: None
Motion Carried

Alderman Ardrey read the minutes of the Budget & Finance Committee meeting of January 23, 2012.

Motion: To approve paying account payable register #439, #440 and #441 though 1/23/12.
Motion by Alderman Costa Second by Alderman Bullar
Mayor called for a voice vote. All were in favor.
Motion Carried

There is a mediator session scheduled for March 1, 2012.

Motion: To table motion regarding all city employees taking breaks in place with no exceptions.
Motion by Alderman McComb Second by Alderman Hughes
Mayor called for a voice vote. All were in favor.
Motion Carried

Motion: To approve the Rehabilitation/Demolition Loan Policy.
Motion by Alderman Costa Second by Alderman McComb
Mayor called for a voice vote. All were in favor.
Motion Carried

Motion: To declare 97 radios surplus property and dispose of them.
Motion by Alderman Ardrey Second by Alderman McComb
Mayor called for a voice vote. All were in favor.

Motion Carried

Alderman Pierson read the minutes of the Public Works Committee meeting of January 23, 2012.

Motion: **To approve the revised cost of $45,000 for two submersible pumps.**
Motion by Alderman Pierson Second by Alderman Ardrey
Mayor called for a voice vote. All were in favor.
Motion Carried.

Motion: **To approve suggested revision to frequency of cleaning grease traps from every six months to every three months.**
Motion by Alderman Pierson Second by Alderman Hughes
Mayor called for a voice vote. All were in favor.
Motion Carried.

We will hold on Mark Kennedy's request to vacate several alleys and street as there are three pieces of property in that section that would be effected by vacation that do not show they are owned by him and he is gone and we cannot verify ownership.

Alderman Hughes read the minutes of the Public Improvement Committee meeting of January 23, 2012.

No action taken.

Alderman Costa read the minutes of the Building & Grounds Committee meeting of January 23, 2012.

No action taken.

Alderman Ardrey read the minutes of the Personnel Committee meeting of January 23, 2012.

No action taken. We will continue negotiations with the firefighters.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor stated the following:

St. Patrick's Day Parade will be on Saturday, March 17, 2012. We will meet at 7th & Walnut Street at 10:45 a.m. We will have trinkets and candy to hand out. Bring family and friends to participate.

Packets contain flyer of events for the St. Patrick's Day celebration. Always a lot of activity in Murphysboro to celebrate the Irish.

Would like to invite SIMEC to the March committee meetings to further discuss placing the Energy Ordinance on the ballot in November.

ALDERMEN ANNOUNCEMENTS/REQUESTS

Barbara Hughes	No
Vicki Ardrey	No
Bill Pierson	No
Mark Costa	There is a big depression on the west side of the courthouse and someone is going to fall. Mayor indicated we would be meeting with the county building and grounds committee.
Brown, Russell	No
Gary McComb	Inquired if we were putting the courthouse sidewalk out for bid.

DEPARTMENT HEAD ANNOUNCEMENTS/REQUESTS

Jeff Bock	Wait until committee meeting
Ed Heller	No
Ron Manwaring	New sirens are installed and operational
Steve Swafford	No
Ripley, Sandra	No
Youngman, Jay	No

Motion: To adjourn
Motion by Alderman Ardrey Second by Alderman Hughes
Mayor called for a voice vote. All were in favor.
Motion Carried
Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.