
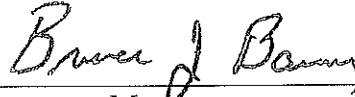


At the regular meeting held in the Council Chambers by the City Council, March 3, 2025, the following proceedings were held and entered in this record in the following words and figures to wit:



City Clerk



Mayor

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

The Invocation was given by the Mayor. Mayor Barry led the Council and assembled the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call - Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Olive, and Skultety were present. Alderman Mitchelson and Attorney Romano via Zoom. Alderman Wilson was absent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Brown to utilize the Omnibus Vote Designation for Various Meetings as listed below. Roll Call - Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Mitchelson, Olive and Skultety voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Alderman Driskell and seconded by Alderman Bryant to approve the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held February 18, 2025, Ordinance Committee Meeting held February 20, 2025, the Finance Committee Meeting held February 20, 2025 and the Street & Sewer Meeting held February 27, 2025. Roll Call - Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Mitchelson, Olive and Skultety voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE BID PROCESS FOR CURB, GUTTERING & SIDEWALK

Motion by Alderman Skultety and seconded by Alderman Brown to Approve the Bid Process for Curb, Guttering & Sidewalks. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0

MOTION TO APPROVE THE BID PROCESS FOR CONCRETE

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Brown to Approve the Bid Process for Concrete. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0

MOTION TO APPROVE THE BID PROCESS FOR GASOLINE AND DIESEL FUEL

Motion by Alderman Skultety and seconded by Alderman Driskell to Approve the Bid Process for Gasoline and Diesel Fuel. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF TURNOUT GEAR FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$25,000.00

Motion by Alderman Dorchinecz and seconded by Alderman Driskell to Approve the purchase of turnout gear for the fire department at a cost not to exceed \$25,000. To be paid from the new equipment line item and then reimbursed from the State Fire Marshal's Grant. Roll Call - Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Mitchelson, Olive and Skultety voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE BID AND/OR ADVERTISE THE DEPUTY TREASURER POSITION THAT WILL BE VACANT ON MAY 5, 2025.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Driskell to Table the above motion until a later date. Roll Call - Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Mitchelson, Olive and Skultety voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE AGREEMENT WITH HATHAWAY HOMES PHASE II LIMITED PARTNERSHIP AND RUSSELL CONSTRUCTION INC. AND APPROVE THE ASSOCIATED PERFORMANCE BOND, BOTH AS PREPARED BY THE CITY ATTORNEY.

Motion by Alderman Skultety and seconded by Alderman Brown to Authorize the Mayor to sign the Agreement with Hathaway Homes Phase II Limited Partnership and Russell Construction, Inc., and approve the associated Performance Bond, both as prepared by the City Attorney. Roll Call - Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Mitchelson, Olive and Skultety voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

City Attorney Romano gave updates.

Mayor Barry announced they are now working to repair the bike trail. The City is currently waiting on the Audit Report to be completed and the Consolidated Election is 4 weeks away and he encourages everyone to go vote.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ORDINANCE

Motion by Alderman Skultety and seconded by Alderman Bryant to Adopt the Ordinance prepared by City Attorney Romano to require Massage Parlors and Chiropractic Clinics to obtain a license from the City of Taylorville at a cost of \$10.00 per year and a \$10.00 Application fee. Roll Call - Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Olive and Skultety voted YEA. Alderman Mitchelson voted NAY. The Mayor announced the motion carried 6-1.

Motion by Alderman Skultety and seconded by Alderman Bryant to Approve the application for tobacco sales for Vape Club, Inc. (119 W. Park St.). Roll Call – Alderman Bryant, Mitchelson and Skultety voted YEA. Alderman Brown, Dorchinecz, Driskell and Olive voted NAY. The Mayor announced the motion failed 4-3.

Motion by Alderman Skultety and seconded by Alderman Driskell to direct Benton & Associates to make the needed revisions to the Storm Sewer Ordinance at a cost not to exceed \$2,300.00 subject to review by the City Attorney. Roll Call - Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Mitchelson, Olive and Skultety voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

FINANCE

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Brown to Approve the CEO High School Program donation of \$1,000.00. Roll Call - Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Mitchelson, Olive and Skultety voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Skultety to Approve the \$22,000.00 requested by the Greater Taylorville Chamber of Commerce for the July 4, 2025 fireworks, and to approve the \$15,000.00 requested for the 2025 Chillifest. The total of \$37,000.00 will be taken out of BDD Funds. Roll Call – Alderman Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Mitchelson and Skultety voted YEA. Alderman Driskell and Olive voted NAY. The Mayor announced the motion carried 5-2.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Dorchinecz to Approve the purchase of a Columbarium to be placed at Oak Hill Cemetery at a cost not to exceed \$70,000.00 and to waive any mandatory statutory bidding process. Roll Call – Alderman Bryant, Dorchinecz, Mitchelson and Skultety voted YEA. Alderman Brown, Driskell and Olive voted NAY. The Mayor announced the 4-3 Motion Failed due to the 2/3 vote requirement.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Skultety to Approve the upgrade in internet speed for the City from CTI at a cost not to exceed \$300.00 per month and to look into bidding the contract out in the near future. Roll Call - Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Mitchelson, Olive and Skultety voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

STREET & SEWER

Motion by Alderman Mitchelson and seconded by Alderman Dorchinecz to Table the Special Events Permit – Taylorville Main Street Inc. until which time the application is corrected and the Certificate of Insurance issued to the City of Taylorville. Roll Call - Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Mitchelson, Olive and Skultety voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Alderman Driskell and Seconded by Alderman Brown to Approve the Street/Sewer Department to provide the labor for the sewer main installation on Vandever Street Subdivision contingent upon all requirement for building being met. Roll Call - Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Mitchelson, Olive and Skultety voted NAY. The Mayor announced the motion failed 0-7.

Motion by Alderman Mitchelson and seconded by Alderman Olive to Table approving E.L. Pruitt to proceed with the Madison/Franklin Sewer improvements at a cost not to exceed \$27,500.00. Roll Call – Alderman Dorchinecz, Mitchelson and Olive voted YEA. Alderman Brown, Bryant, Driskell and Skultety voted NAY. The Mayor announced the motion failed 3-4.

Motion by Alderman Driskell and seconded by Alderman Skultety to Approve E.L. Pruitt to proceed with the Madison/Franklin Sewer improvements at a cost not to exceed \$27,500.00 and to waive the mandatory statutory bidding process. This subject to E.L. Pruitt executing the City form contract and providing all documents as stated in the City Form Contract. Roll Call – Alderman Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Olive and Skultety voted YEA. Alderman Mitchelson voted NAY. The mayor announced the motion carried 6-1.

Motion by Alderman Driskell and seconded by Alderman Bryant Approve E.L. Pruitt to proceed with the Madison/Main Cross Sewer improvements at a cost not to exceed \$75,500.00 and to waive the mandatory statutory bidding process. This subject to E.L. Pruitt executing the City form contract and providing all documents as stated in the City Form Contract. Roll Call – Alderman Brown, Bryant, Driskell and Skultety voted YEA. Alderman Dorchinecz, Mitchelson and Olive voted NAY. The Mayor announced the motion carried 4-3.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Brown to authorize the payment of bills in the amount of \$538,266.11. Roll Call - Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Mitchelson, Olive and Skultety voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

BUSINESS FROM THE PUBLIC

The Mayor asked if anyone wished to address the Council. Treasurer Miles advised that approving her monthly report was not listed on the Agenda.

Mayor Barry advised that the City tore down a house at 504 W. Second St. They would like to deed this property to the City of Taylorville. The cost to transfer the deed will be \$292.00.

The meeting adjourned at 7:31 P.M.