

Mayor Joe Powell opened the meeting with the Pledge to the Flag. In attendance were Hemmerle, Tanner, Mayor Powell, Gillock, Rathgeber, Kessler, Thornton, Grischow, B. Karhliker, C. Powell, and Centko. Absent were Johnson, Berola and Appelt. The Clerk asked the numerous visitors to sign the sheet sent around, this list will become part of the minutes for August 20, 2012.

✓ **I. CITY CLERK'S REPORT – Thornton**

The Clerk presented the minutes to the Council. There were several corrections from Raylene; the Clerk will correct the errors. Which included the following: to include this Ordinance 1354 -12 in to Chapter 25 and make sure that the enforcement provisions are not lesser than the state. Ordinance 1355-12 requiring citizens to move their cans back on their property and also the first warning would be verbal, second \$25.00 and third \$50.00 for each subsequent offense. The City discussed the burning ban ordinance due to drought conditions. During Visitors remarks Ms. Candioto state the City would get 5% of the States 30% not 35%. On page 3 Engineering was left off of Martin and reported instead of stated by IDOT. Also Kessler was reported as coming in after Ms.Candioto's remarks. In Berola's remarks he inquired about the couch on 10th Street at Plummer's had been removed. Tanner made a motion to approve the minutes with the correction and to destroy the recorded copy. Hemmerle second the motion and it was passed by voice vote.

✓ **II. TREASURER'S REPORT – Appelt**

In the absence of Appelt, C. Powell gave the Treasurer's report. Kessler made a motion to approve the bill's list second by Gillock.

AYES: Hemmerle, Tanner, Gillock, Rathgeber, and Kessler

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Johnson, Berola

✓ **C onnie then presented the Financial Statement for the period ending July 31, 2012.**

Kessler made a motion to approve the Financial Statement, Tanner seconds the motion.

AYES: Hemmerle, Tanner, Gillock, Rathgeber, and Kessler

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Johnson, Berola

✓ **III .ATTORNEY'S REPORT- Grischow**

Raylene had three ordinances to present for 2nd reading and one resolution.

✓ **Ordinance 1354-12 - Registration of Sex Offenders, as there were no changes Kessler made a motion to pass Ordinance 1354-12 second by Gillock.**

AYES: Hemmerle, Tanner, Gillock, Rathgeber, Kessler

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Johnson, Berola

- ✓ Ordinance 1355-12 – Garbage Receptacles as there were some changes made to this ordinance and there was a lot of confusion with the citizens, Kessler felt it would be a good idea to table this until the September meeting, so everyone will have time to study it. Rathgeber seconds the motion to table.

AYES: Hemmerle, Tanner, Gillock, Rathgeber, and Kessler

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Johnson Berola

- ✓ Raylene presented Ordinance 1356-12 –second reading of the Stop sign ordinance. Raylene stated she had changed some wording; this ordinance places stop signs in Timberbrooke, Ladage Subdivision, and on Gridiron Road. As the Council was in agreement, Rathgeber made a motion to accept Ordinance 1356-12, second by Kessler.

AYES: Hemmerle, Tanner, Gillock, Rathgeber, and Kessler

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Johnson Berola

- ✓ Raylene presented Resolution 52-12-Electrical Aggregation Resolution it to allow a referendum question to be placed on the ballot, November 2, 2012 General Election. It shall be stated “*Shall the City of Auburn have the authority to arrange for the supply of electricity for its residential and small commercial retail customers who have not opted out of such a program.*” At this time Mayor Powell introduced Josh Collins from the Citizens Efficiency Committee who gave the Council an overview of the Resolution. If this resolution is passed this will allow negotiations for electric rates for Citizens. He handed out a Basic information sheet on Opt-Out Electric Aggregation sheet. Kessler made a motion to pass Resolution #52-12 Hemmerle seconds the motion.

AYES: Hemmerle, Tanner, Gillock, Rathgeber, Kessler.

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Johnson, Berola

✓ IV. VISITOR’S

- ✓ The Mayor introduced Cinda Edwards, Sangamon County Coroner, she give a short descriptions of the changes that have been made in the Office since she took over the position and invited any of the police officers to attend an autopsy.
- ✓ The Mayor introduced the newest police officer, Ryan Howard and then swore him in as a police officer, he is presently attending PTI.
- ✓ There were several zoning issues that were discussed, as the Chairman of the Zoning Board, Dave Miller, was in attendance the Mayor asked him to help with the report:
- ✓ Phyllis Molohan of 158 East Monroe Street asked for a variance of 32 feet, which was rejected by the Zoning Board they then made a motion to allow a 6 foot structure on the East side of the property and it was also rejected. Rathgeber made a motion to accept the recommendation of the Zoning Board in regards to the 158

East Monroe Street variance, second by Kessler.

AYES: Hemmerle, Tanner, Gillock, Rathgeber, and Kessler

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Johnson, Berola

- ✓ Tim Stewart of 515 South Kennedy Street asked for a variance to align his house up with the house across street. The recommendation made by the Zoning Board was an 18 feet 6 inch variance on the west side which will align the property from the North and 20 feet on the South (front) which align up the adjoining property from the East. Rathgeber made a motion to approve the Zoning Boards recommendation to allow the variance, Second by Kessler.

AYES: Hemmerle, Tanner, Gillock, Rathgeber and Kessler

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Johnson, Berola

- ✓ Mesh Works/Huber asked for a variance to rezone the two lots at the corner of Seventh and Trojan to B1 this will make the whole piece of property the same zoning. Rathgeber made a motion to accept the Zoning Boards recommendation to zone the two pieces of property B1, second by Kessler.

AYES: Hemmerle, Tanner, Gillock, Rathgeber, and Kessler

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Johnson, Berola

- ✓ Magro's 13575 State Route 4 asked for a rezoning request. The Mayor apologized to the Magro's and the residence in the area that after some additional research it was found that this area was rezoned in September 15, 1997 to I 1, which is the zoning that was requested. Tom Magro said he will work to be keeping the property in good condition and be a good neighbor; he will work on a feasible buffer for the development to the West. Jenny and Jim Viewig asked how quickly the trees would grow and how much dirt would they bring in. Mr. Magro assured them that he will work with an engineer to build the berm correctly. No action was taken do to the fact that this was a moot issue as it had already been rezoned. The Mayor stated that the Magro's have always been an asset to the City and have worked with the neighbors they have now. The Magro's are planning on having fenced inside corrals and all the freezer storage will be inside. Magro's will withdraw their petition.

The list of Visitors on page 5 of these minutes

✓ **V. MAYOR'S COMMENTS**

- ✓ Birthday for this month Cory Anderson on August 20 and he has worked for the City 1 year and 10 months.

✓ **VI. DEPARTMENT HEADS**

✓ Karhliker reported to the council that they are working with the Township trying to get Dickey John Road done. He feels it should be done by this weekend.

✓ C. Powell informed the Council that they received another payment from the State but are still three months behind.

✓ **VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

✓ **PUBLIC WORKS – Kessler**

There will be a Public Works Hearing at 8:00 this evening with Crystal Houston on her fine for not having her meters available for reading.

✓ **HEALTH AND SAFETY – Gillock**

✓ Gillock will need a committee meeting to discuss the FOP contract.

PARKS – Tanner

Tanner informed the Council that the baseball field will be worked on after the last game of the high school season.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

✓ Gillock made a motion to adjourn at 7:55, second by Rathgeber. Motion adjourned by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Thornton
City Clerk

VISITOR'S

Ryan Howard

Amy Howard

Jerry Selsor

Jacob Selsor

Tim Stewart

Staci Stewart

Tracy Parga

Tom Magro

Tony Magro

Josh Collins

Jenny Viewig

Jim Viewig

Peter Stead

Chad Kuhlman

Sam Snell

Matt Grimm

Cinda Edwards

Bill Karhliker

Jim K. Hilligoss

David Miller

Jim Nuckols