

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MAYOR
AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST MOLINE,
COUNTY OF ROCK ISLAND, STATE OF ILLINOIS
MONDAY, MARCH 7, 2016 6:30P.M.**

PLEDGE

Mayor Thodos led the City Council and all those present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Thodos called the meeting to order and directed City Clerk Arletta D. Holmes to call the roll. The following Aldermen were present: Helen Heiland, Gary Almblade, Nancy Mulcahey, Ed DeJaynes, Humberto Aguilar, Robert Cheffer, Gary Westbrook, and Mayor Thodos.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Tom Keith, 5318 28th Avenue, Moline, Illinois spraying programs, and no oversight whatsoever. We are all currently being subjected to these on-go– Mr. Keith read the following statement regarding GEO Engineering: “Thank you for allowing me to present this. I come here not to start trouble or create enemies but to work with you and create solutions. I’ve written several articles on geo-engineering in the local papers. In my research and studies I’ve discovered we might not have much time before the looming climate disasters. I am not here to frighten you, but I would think you would care for your children and grandkids as much as I do. What if you found out geo-engineering is affecting your health and the people you know and love? What if you knew it was such an enormous problem that it has the potential to destroy our crops and trees? You can find articles and debated in which scientists are proposing a technique to “dim” the sun and slow down climate change. However, it has been out of the proposal stage for some time, and even though officials will not admit it, Solar Radiation Management is in full-scale operation. Climate engineering programs have been fully deployed for many years. There is a mountain of hard science data and film footage to back up this statement of fact. All available data indicates the ongoing geo engineering programs are mathematically the greatest single assault against the web of life ever launched against the human race. There are no regulations against this atmospheric spraying test. I have a CD on these programs and you are free to copy it, if you would like at no charge. Thank you.”

CITY CLERK’S REPORT

City Clerk Holmes passed.

ADDITIONS/CORRECTIONS TO AGENDA

None

CONSENT AGENDA

City Clerk Arletta D. Holmes read the Consent Agenda that included the following:

- A. Approval of City Council Minutes of February 16, 2016.
- B. Approval of Committee-of-the-Whole Minutes of February 16, 2016.
- C. Approval of the City Council Minutes of February 1, 2016
- D. Approval of the Committee-of-the-Whole of February 1, 2016.
- E. Approval of Salaries for February 26, 2016 in the amount of \$392,992.98
- F. Approval of Bills in the amount of \$498,966.26

A motion was made by Alderman Westbrook, seconded by Alderman DeJaynes, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Upon roll call the following voted in favor: DeJaynes, Aguilar, Cheffer, Heiland, Almblade, and Mulcahey. Motion carried.

REPORT BY MAYOR:

PROCLAMATION:

Mayor Thodos read a Proclamation proclaiming the week of March 20th through March 26th, 2016 as, “**Public Radio Week**” in the City of East Moline. Mr. Kai Swanson of WVIK accepted the proclamation on behalf of WVIK. Mr. Swanson thanked the Mayor and City Council for their support of Public Radio.

PRESENTATION:

Mr. Randy Swanson of Quad City Speedway presented to the Mayor Thodos and City Council their Annual Racing Schedule for 2016. The Season Opener will begin on April 10, 2016. (See Attached Schedule).

Mayor Thodos received a letter from Mid America Energy, informing the City that they will be performing maintenance work in the our area beginning the week of March 14, 2016, and in no way will the propose work affect service to you or your neighbors in the area.

City Attorney Clayton Lee presented the following Resolutions:

City Attorney Lee passed tonight as there was no Resolution or Ordinances for Discussion.

COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE (Alderman Mulcahey)

Alderman Mulcahey had no items for discussion. All other items have been covered under the Consent Agenda.

CITY STAFF COMMUNICATION:

Each City Staff member present was given the opportunity to inform the City Council and those present of events in their departments:

Ms. Petersen, Finance Director – Ms. Petersen informed the City Council that the East Moline Correctional is currently \$477,000 behind on their Water/Sewer.

Mr. Kammler, Director of Engineering Services – Mr. Kammler informed the City Council that the final plat for the “BEND” Development is scheduled for a Plan Commission meeting and Public Hearing on Tuesday, March 8, 2016 at 6:00p.m. Mr. Kammler invited everyone to attend.

Rob DeFrance, Fire Chief – Chief DeFrance reported to the City Council, that last Tuesday, they had a fire at 1025 51st Avenue (Deerfield Woods) shortly before 11:00a.m. The family had no injuries due to a working smoke detector in the home that alerted them to the fire. The East Moline Fire Department and the Red Cross will be installing smoke detectors throughout East Moline. On Saturday, April 9, 2016 we will be having a United Day of Caring rally at the UAW beginning at 9:00a.m.

Maintenance Mr. Lambrecht Services Director– Mr. Lambert updated the City Council regarding the lights going down to the Welcome Center.

Mayor Thodos – informed the City Council that as it related to Triumph Foods, development agreement. Ms. Petersen has been working with the bank to update what the City’s requirement is.

Mayor Thodos announced that there will be a Closed Session to discuss the following two items

- Fire Grievance and Garbage Arbitration.

RECESS SESSION:

A motion was made Alderman Westbrook, seconded by Alderman DeJaynes, to recess the City Council meeting and go into the Committee-of-the-Whole meeting. Upon roll call the following voted in favor: DeJaynes, Aguilar, Cheffer, Westbrook, Heiland, Almblade, and Mulcahey. Motion carried. **6:53p.m.**

RECONVENE SESSION:

A motion was made by Alderman Westbrook, seconded by Alderman DeJaynes, to go back in to the City Council meeting. Upon roll call the following voted in favor: DeJaynes, Aguilar, Cheffer, Westbrook, Heiland, Almblade, and Mulcahey. Motion carried. **7:22p.m.**

CLOSED SESSION:

A motion was made by Alderman Westbrook, seconded by Alderman DeJaynes, to go into Closed Session to discuss the following items; **Fire Grievance, and Garbage Arbitration.** Upon roll call the following voted in favor: DeJaynes, Aguilar, Cheffer, Westbrook, Heiland, Almblade, and Mulcahey. Motion carried. **7:23p.m.**

REOPEN SESSION:

A motion was made by Alderman Westbrook, seconded by Alderman DeJaynes, to go back into Open Session. Upon roll call the following voted in favor: DeJaynes, Aguilar, Cheffer, Westbrook, Heiland, Almblade, and Mulcahey. Motion carried. **8:28p.m.**

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Alderman DeJaynes, seconded by Alderman Westbrook, to adjourn the City Council meeting. Upon roll call the following voted in favor: DeJaynes, Aguilar, Cheffer, Westbrook, Heiland, Almblade, and Mulcahey. Motion carried. **8:30p.m.**

Minutes taken and submitted by,

Arletta D. Holmes, City Clerk

