

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MAYOR
AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST MOLINE,
COUNTY OF ROCK ISLAND, STATE OF ILLINOIS
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2023, 6:30 P.M.**

PLEDGE:

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

ROLL CALL

Mayor Freeman called the meeting to order and directed Acting City Clerk Kathryn Motzer, to call the roll. The following Alderpersons were present: Kenneth Porter, Gary Almblade, Nancy Mulcahey, Jayne O'Brien and Rhea Oakes. Absent: Maria Tapia and Jose Rico.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Orin Turner, 2402 3X Avenue, East Moline – Mr. Turner concerned if there is enough training in the East Moline Police Department for de-escalation of non-threatening incidents.

Mayor Freeman replied that the Quad Cities and the Training center located in East Moline covers the counties from here to Galesburg all the way up to Princeton. East Moline has always had the policy about de-escalation and the use of no choke holds. In the City of East Moline Police Department has had no chock holds for 20 plus years.

Chief Ramsey stated with the new safety act the city is required to do quarterly training. De-escalation is part of the state mandated which they must report to the training board.

CITY CLERK'S REPORT

Acting City Clerk Kathryn Motzer had no items for discussion.

ADDITIONS/CORRECTIONS TO AGENDA

None

CONSENT AGENDA:

Acting City Clerk Kathryn Motzer read the Consent Agenda that included the following:

- a. Approval of Salaries of January 20, 2023 in the amount of \$457,332.59.
- b. Approval of the Overtime of January 20, 2023 in the amount of \$19,953.21.
- c. Approval of Salaries of February 3, 2023 in the amount of \$453,798.67.
- d. Approval of the Overtime of February 3, 2023 in the amount of \$20,899.13.
- e. Approval of Bills for February 3, 2023 in the amount of \$555,911.95.

A motion was made by Alderperson Porter, seconded by Alderperson Almblade, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Upon roll call the following voted in favor: Porter, Almblade, Mulcahey, O'Brien and Oakes. Motion carried.

REPORT BY MAYOR

Mayoral Appointment of Lauren Tague to the East Moline Park Board.

Lauren Tague became a resident of East Moline in October 2022. Ms. Tague is currently teaching 5th grade at George O. Barr Elementary School and Coaches Basketball Cheerleading at United Township. Ms. Tague works as the Director of Silvis Park Program during the summer months. Now that she has moved to East Moline, she is looking forward to getting more involved within the East Moline community.

A motion was made by Alderperson Mulcahey, seconded by Alderperson Porter, to approve the appointment of Lauren Tague to Park Board. Upon roll call the following voted in favor: Porter, Almblade, Mulcahey, O'Brien and Oakes. Motion carried.

ATTORNEY ROGER L. STRANDLUND - PRESENTED THE FOLLOWING ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

ORDINANCES – 1st Reading

ORDINANCES 23-05: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EAST MOLINE, ILLINOIS, ESTABLISHING SCHOOL ZONE SPEED LIMITS AND DESIGNATED ZONES

Olivia Dorothy, 2113 6th Street Court, East Moline – Ms. Dorothy asked if the City of East Moline to look at expanding the 20 mph School Zone Speed Limit because of larger area children are having to walk to school.

Chief Ramsey stated that School Zone Speed Limits can only be in school areas they cannot be expanded a mile down the road. This Ordinance has been adding new School Zones around United Township and Hillcrest School. The State mandates where School Zones can be located.

ORDINANCES – 2ND Reading

ORDINANCES 23-04: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EAST MOLINE, ILLINOIS, AUTHORIZING THE 2022 MUTUAL AID BOX ALARM SYSTEM MASTER AGREEMENT

A motion was made by Alderperson Oakes, seconded by Alderperson O'Brien, to approve Ordinance 23-04 as presented. Upon roll call the following voted in favor: Porter, Almblade, Mulcahey, O'Brien and Oakes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS – NONE

COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE (Alderperson Tapia) absent

CITY STAFF COMMUNICATION:

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

Doug Maxeiner, City Administrator – Mr. Maxeiner informed the City Council the following information.

1. Phase II Quarter has started.
2. Rotary with the State of City has been tentatively scheduled for March 2 or 9, 2023.
3. Absent next Meeting March 20, 2023.

Annaka Whiting, Finance Director – Ms. Whiting informed the City Council that the change to Invoice Cloud, flyers was sent out with utility bills this month. Removed auto pay so everyone knew that when March came, they had to resign up again for paperless and auto pay. Autopay will come out for February 2023, but customers will need to sign up again for online payments or paperless included with the utility bill and on the website. Preliminary 2022 Financials should be out by the end of this week. Auditors will be on site February 16, 2023.

Tim Kammler – Engineering Director – Mr. Kammler informed the City Council that Erica Williams is part of the Storm Water Board and is helping host the Quad City Storm Water Conference which will be held February 23, 2023 from 8:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. which will be hosted at Bally’s and lunch will be included.

Brianna Huber – Water Filtration Director – Ms. Huber informed the City Council that part of the lead and copper revisions will be revamping sampling sites. Which mean we will be switching some of the homes that we are collecting water samples from. Ms. Huber will be sending letters to various specific homes if they would like to get into the program. Sampling sites 60 samples every time we collect with an additional 80 – 100 more people to agree to participate in the program.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Alderperson Almblade seconded by Alderperson Porter, to adjourn the City Council meeting. Upon roll call the following voted in favor: Porter, Almblade, Mulcahey, O’Brien and Oakes. Motion carried. **6:47 p.m.**

Minutes taken and submitted by,

Kathryn Motzer
Acting City Clerk