

**CITY OF ALTAMONT
PUBLIC HEARING
January 09, 2023 – 5:45 p.m.
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS**

*Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Development
Community Development Block Grant Application
Main Street Water Main Replacement
Grant Funds Requested \$1,500,000,
with an Additional \$184,254 City Funding Commitment.*

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
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Agenda

1. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:
Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings
Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bills
2. POLICE REPORT
3. PUBLIC COMMENTS
4. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS
5. COMMUNICATIONS
6. AGENDA ITEMS
 - A. *Approve Resolution of Support and Commitment of Local Funds for CDBG Grant; Water Main Replacement. Grant Funding \$1,500,000. City Funds Commitment \$184,262.*
 - B. *Approve Payment Request to Kieffer Bros Construction in the Amount of \$102,943.92, Northwest Sanitary Sewer Replacement.*
 - C. *Adjourn.*

POSTED: January 06, 2023- 4:00 pm.

SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
January 09, 2023

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The Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of prior meeting minutes and payment of bills, was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Walker. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Commissioner Milleville, yes. (Attachment 1)

Council Approved a Resolution of Support and Commitment of Local Funds for CDBG Grant Water Main Replacement of Grant Funding \$1,500,000 City Funds of \$184,262. Commissioner Slingerland motioned for approval. Commissioner Walker seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Commissioner Milleville, yes.

Chief Heiens was not available for report presentation as indicated on the agenda.

Council Approved Payment Request to Kieffer Bros Construction in the Amount of \$102,943.92 for Northwest Sewer Replacement on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Walker. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Commissioner Milleville, yes.

Michael Tappendorf reported a majority of sanitary main lining on Tenth Street is complete. South Point Subdivision lift station installation is being completed. Contractors will have to wait for spring weather to clean up the area. The Third Street sidewalk plans are nearing finalization and will be submitted to IDOT for approval.

Commissioner Walker had nothing to report.

Commissioner Slingerland reported the new 500/900 water main is installed and has been pressure tested. Many service line water leaks occurred during the cold weather. One of the raw pumps is being installed at the water plant. The sanitary main under the railroad at Tenth Street has been cleaned and lined. Tracking of water produced vs water billed indicates improvements to water loss.

Commissioner Polk provided plans for the Third Street sidewalk replacement. The pharmacy will have a ramp entrance on one side and a step entrance on the other. The sidewalk will be one foot wider, to allow a pedestrian pass, narrowing Third Street,

Commissioner Milleville had nothing to report.

Commissioner Polk asked if there is a defibrillator at Gilbert Park. He suggested purchasing one and having it installed in a common location. Council discussed several options.

Council discussed an ongoing property lease and changes that could occur to the lease.

Meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner Polk and seconded by Commissioner Slingerland. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Commissioner Milleville, yes.

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
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January 23 2023 - 6:00 p.m.**

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1. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:
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Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bills
2. POLICE REPORT
3. PUBLIC COMMENTS
4. ENGINEER REPORT
5. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS
6. COMMUNICATIONS
7. AGENDA ITEMS
 - A. *Approve Payment of Pay Request #2 to Kieffer Bros Construction in the Amount of \$82,311.30 for Street Drainage, South Point Subdivision.*
 - B. *Approve Payment of Pay Request #2 to Kamadulski Excavating in the Amount of \$56,520.00 for Sanitary Sewer Installation, South Point Subdivision.*
 - C. *Discuss El Rancherito Lease.*
 - D. *Adjourn.*

POSTED: January 20, 2023- 4:00 pm.

SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
January 23, 2023

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on January 23, 2023, in the Council Room of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Jason Rippetoe; Commissioner Dan Milleville; Commissioner Mike Walker; Commissioner Todd Slingerland; and Commissioner Tayler Polk. Also present –Mark Hoskins, Altamont News; Nick Taylor, Effingham Daily News; Michael Tappendorf, Milano & Grunloh Engineers; Becky Turner and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk.

The Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of prior meeting minutes and payment of bills, was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Walker. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. (Attachment 1)

Becky Turner addressed the Council concerning vehicles driving thru her yard and private drive to continue on Wurl Lane, which was previously closed to thru traffic. Specific vehicle descriptions could not be provided. Ms. Turner has parked vehicles in the driveway to prevent others from driving on her property. Commissioner Polk suggested she hang chains across the drive. Ms. Turner indicated when the drive is blocked, they drive thru her yard. Mayor Rippetoe suggested to Chief Heiens to monitor the location and issue a citation for disobeying a traffic control devise. Ms. Turner asked if there was a possibility of reopening the street for one way traffic. Commissioner Polk stated he was not interested in changing the street again. He explained the street was not designed wide enough for two way traffic.

Chief Heiens provided the December 2022 Police Activity Report and the annual 2022 Activity Report. He noted comparison of 2021 vs 2022, more traffic tickets were issued in 2022.

Michael Tappendorf reported two pay estimates have been approved. 33% of the existing grant has been expended. South Point Subdivision sanitary lift station parts are on back order preventing completion. The Third Street sidewalk plans have been submitted to IDOT for preliminary review.

Council approved Payment of Pay Request #2 to Kieffer Bros Construction in the Amount of \$82,311.30 for Street Drainage, South Point Subdivision. Commissioner Polk motioned for approval. Commissioner Walker seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Council approved Payment of Pay Request #2 to Kamadulski Excavating in the Amount of \$56,520.00 for Sanitary Sewer Installation, South Point Subdivision. Commissioner Slingerland motioned for approval. Commissioner Milleville seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Council discussed the current lease agreement with El Rancherito. The current lease expires April 30, 2023. Notification of termination of the current lease must be issued 90 days prior to expiration. Clerk Stephen reported the tenant is repeatedly late with monthly lease payments. Commissioner Slingerland started the discussion with the option of charging \$50 per day late fee, as he felt the City should not have to continually pursue payment. Commissioner Milleville stated \$25 per day should be sufficient. Commissioner Walker favored \$10 per day. Commissioner Polk suggested billing at the same time the utility bills are sent. Mayor Rippetoe explained the lease is an agreement to pay monthly and no invoice

should be needed. He suggested a flat \$200 late fee if the lease payment is not received by the 5th of the month as stated in the lease. Council members did not object. The City Attorney will be directed to send notification to the tenants.

Commissioner Slingerland reported installation of the raw pumps resulted in a setback when seven yards of concrete holding a pipe was discovered. The installation will necessitate a pipe to bypass the concrete and increase the cost approximately \$6,000. One new pump may be operational this week. Three customers have been connected to the 500/900 water main replacement. The northwest sanitary sewer replacement project is continuing.

Commissioner Walker left the meeting.

Commissioner Milleville reported Union Cemetery benches have been restored. The Gilbert Park diamond C storage shed doors are ready for painting, installation is arranged. Mole control will continue when weather permits.

Commissioner Polk reported Street Department has been assisting with water main breaks. Trees were removed on Third Street. He noted that Union Cemetery has areas where the road does not hold rock.

Mayor Rippetoe reported curbing and driveway entrance improvements on South Main Street should be completed this week.

The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Milleville. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
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February 13, 2023 - 6:00 p.m.**

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6. AGENDA ITEMS
 - A. *Approve American Legion Request to Conduct American Poppy Day Roadside Fundraiser, April 21, 2023, Rain Date of April 28, 2023.*
 - B. *Approve Ordinance VA-1710; Front Yard Setback 310 North Ninth Street.*
 - C. *Approve Ordinance VA-1711; Front Yard Setback 704 West Jefferson Avenue*
 - D. *Approve Revised Clean Uniform Contract Service Agreement*
 - E. *Approve Payment to Kieffer Bros Construction in the Amount of \$184,273.17 for Northwest Sanitary Sewer Replacement.*
 - F. *Approve Payment to Kieffer Bros Construction in the Amount of \$21,039.50, Sidewalk Replacement West Adams Avenue.*
 - G. *Approve Payment to Kieffer Bros Construction in the Amount of \$24,956.00, Curb Replacement 800 Block South Main Street.*
 - H. *Approve Payment to Hawaii Mainland Administrators-Younity, Health Insurance Minimum Aggregate in the Amount of \$11,338.91.*
 - I. *Approve Change Order in the Amount of \$5,645.43; Raw Water Pump Installation.*

- J. *Approve Pay Request #3 to Korte & Luitjohan for Raw Pump Installation in the Amount of \$83,158.00.*
- K. *Approve Payment to Korte & Luitjohan for 500/900 Water Main Replacement in the Amount of \$95,255.32.*
- L. *Adjourn.*

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**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
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 - A. *Approve Ordinance SP-1712; 113 North Main Street; Place of Worship.*
 - B. *Approve Appointment of Brent Vonderheide to Fill Vacancy on Tourism Board.*
 - C. *Approve 2023 Mowing Bid Groups.*
 - D. *Approve Advertising 2023 Mowing Bids.*
 - E. *Approve Agreement Between City of Altamont & Walk Architecture; Schmidt Park & Gilbert Park Restrooms in the Amount of \$7,000.00.*
 - F. *Approve Application for Payment to Kieffer Bros Construction in the Amount of \$81,280.02 for Northwest Sanitary Replacement.*
 - G. *Approve Ordinance 766-2 Authorizing Lease of Real Estate (600 So Main)*
 - H. *Executive Session for the Purpose of Minute Review & Closed Session Minute Approval 5 ILCS 120, Section 2, (c)(21).*
 - I. *Approve Resolution 2023-02-01; Authorizing Release of Closed Session Minutes.*
 - J. *Approve Resolution 2023-02-02; Destruction of Audio Recordings of Closed Meeting Session.*
 - K. *Adjourn.*

POSTED: February 24, 2023- 4:00 pm.

SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
February 27, 2023

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on February 27, 2023, in the Council Room of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Jason Rippetoe; Commissioner Dan Milleville; Commissioner Todd Slingerland; and Commissioner Tayler Polk. Also present – Jim Watts; Michael Tappendorf, Milano & Grunloh Engineers; Ryan Spade, Sewer Dept. Supr; and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk. Commissioner Mike Walker was absent.

The Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of prior meeting minutes and payment of bills, was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Milleville. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. (Attachment 1)

Michael Tappendorf updated Council of current projects. He stated the Northwest Sanitary Project is progressing. Tenth Street will be lined this week.

Council approved Ordinance SP-1712 113 North Main Street for Place of Worship on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Polk. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. Jim Watts stated the Gathering Church would like to use the location for their worship services. He has spoken to neighboring businesses concerning parking. They had no concerns.

Council approved Appointment of Brent Vonderheide to Fill a Vacancy on the Tourism Board. Commissioner Slingerland motioned for approval and seconded by Commissioner Polk. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Council approved 2023 Mowing Bid Groups on a motion by Commissioner Milleville and seconded by Commissioner Slingerland. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. It was determined the water reservoir could be mowed by City employees.

Council approved Advertising 2023 Mowing Bids. Commissioner Milleville motioned for approval. Commissioner Slingerland seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. Bids will be opened March 10, 2023 and presented to Council for awarding on March 13, 2023.

Council approved an Agreement Between City of Altamont & Walk Architecture for Schmidt Park & Gilbert Park Restrooms in the Amount of \$7,000.00. Commissioner Slingerland motioned for approval. Commissioner Milleville seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. Plans will be designed for ADA compliance. Completed plans will be presented to Council for approval. The initial objective is a new rebuild at Schmidt Park and remodeling of Gilbert Park.

Council approved Application for Payment to Kieffer Bros Construction in the Amount of \$81,280.02 for Northwest Sanitary Project. Commissioner Slingerland motioned for approval. Commissioner Milleville seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Council approved Ordinance 766-23 Authorizing Lease of Real Estate. Commissioner Polk motioned for approval. Commissioner Milleville seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. Lease was a renewal of El Rancherito with changes to the late fee charge.

Commissioner Slingerland reported Altamont received the award of 2022 Runner Up Wastewater System of the Year from Illinois Rural Water Association. McGinnis Wildlife is trapping at the sewer lagoons. Some berm repair, due to muskrat damage, will be needed in the near future. Ryan is awaiting resulting of a sludge sonogram that was completed at the north treatment plant. Grease has not been an issue on the south side, as the line before the lift station is being treated on a regular basis. The new water department raw pump experienced an issue during the last outage. The manufacturer is investigating. Vaughn Voelker agreed the Water Department employees could mow the reservoir property.

Commissioner Milleville reported he met at Gilbert Park with the school Athletic Director. They discovered a team practiced on a field during wet conditions and did not condition the field after practice. A fence replacement quote for Diamond A was received. The cost for full replacement was a sizeable amount. Therefore, consideration is being given to permanently move the fence in for girls play at this time and address the remainder in phases. Lighting will need adjusted to accommodate the resizing.

Commissioner Polk and Mayor Rippetoe has nothing to report.

Clerk Stephen reported two resignations were received from Zoning Board members, Chairwoman, Susan Hoffmeister and Vice-Chairman, Wayne Schroeder. Mrs. Hoffmeister has served on the Board for 20 years.

Council Entered into Executive Session for the Purpose of Minute Review & Closed Session Minute Approval 5 ILCS 120, Section 2, (c)(21) on a motion by Commissioner Polk and seconded by Commissioner Milleville. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Upon returning to open session Council approved Resolution 2023-02-01; Authorizing Release of Closed Session Minutes. Commissioner Slingerland motioned for approval. Commissioner Polk seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Council approved Resolution 2023-02-02; Destruction of Audio Recordings of Closed Meeting Session. Commissioner Slingerland motioned for approval. Commissioner Polk seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Milleville. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
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7. AGENDA ITEMS
 - A. *Approve Roadside Fundraiser Request by Altamont VFW May 12, 2023, Rain Date May 19, 2023.*
 - B. *Approve Ordinance VA-1715; 308 South Third St, Side Yard & Rear Yard Setback for Garage Reconstruction.*
 - C. *Approve Award of 2023 Mowing Bids*
 - D. *Approve Pay Request #4; Kieffer Bros Construction, Northwest Sanitary Project in the Amount of \$157,100.09.*
 - E. *Approve Ordinance 767-23; Amending Solar Avoided Cost Rate.*
 - F. *Approve 768-23; Authorizing TIF Agreement, Valerie & Eric Behl for Roofing Improvements.*
 - G.
 - H. *Adjourn.*

POSTED: March 10, 2023- 4:00 pm.

SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
March 13, 2023

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on March 13, 2023, in the Council Room of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Jason Rippetoe; Commissioner Mike Walker; Commissioner Dan Milleville; Commissioner Todd Slingerland; and Commissioner Tayler Polk. Also present – Mark Hoskins, Altamont News; Nick Taylor, Effingham Daily News; Michael Tappendorf, Milano & Grunloh Engineers; Matt Holste; Justin Osteen; Larry Taylor; Alan Heiens, Altamont Police Chief; and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk.

The Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of prior meeting minutes and payment of bills, was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Milleville. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. (Attachment 1)

Chief Heiens presented the February 2023 Police Activity Report.

Michael Tappendorf updated Council of the Northwest Sanitary Project as having two stretches remaining. The ITEP grant agreement has been returned. A discussion is needed to determine future action.

Larry Taylor, reported legislation is pending to change the temperature limit from 85 to 90 degrees for utility disconnects. IMUA is meeting with legislatures concerning lead service line regulations.

Council approved a Roadside Fundraiser Request by Altamont VFW May 12, 2023, Rain Date May 19, 2023 on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Walker. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Council approved Ordinance VA-1715; 308 South Third St, Side Yard & Rear Yard Setback for Garage Reconstruction. Commissioner Slingerland motioned for approval and seconded by Commissioner Walker. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Council Awarded 2023 Mowing Bids. Commissioner Milleville motioned to Award Group 1, Union Cemetery to Precision Law Care; Group 2, Gilbert Park to Precision Lawn Care; Group 3, Schmidt & Klitzing Park to Precision Lawn Care; Group 4, City properties to Jon Berg and Group 5, Sewer Lagoons to Jon Berg. Commissioner Slingerland seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Council approved Pay Request #4 to Kieffer Bros Construction, Northwest Sanitary Project in the Amount of \$157,100.09. Commissioner Slingerland motioned for approval. Commissioner Walker seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Council approved Ordinance 767-23 Amending Solar Avoided Cost Rate. Commissioner Walker motioned for approval. Commissioner Slingerland seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. The Solar Avoided Cost Rate is set at 0.1007 per kWh effective April 01, 2023.

Council approved Ordinance 768-23 Authorizing TIF Agreement, Valerie & Eric Behl for Roofing Improvements. Commissioner Slingerland motioned for approval. Commissioner Milleville seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. Roofing repairs will be completed at 109 North Second St currently Cuts-By-Us.

Commissioner Slingerland reported Visu-Sewer will be lining sanitary mains on North Tenth Street this week. During the recent heavy rains, sanitary mains in the north part of the City were full of water. The sanitary main south of the grade school shows great improvement resulted from the lining, as there was not infiltration noted. The sludge survey recently conducted indicated at the north treatment plant, the small lagoon is operating efficiently. However, the large lagoon sludge amount has increased. A change in microbes will be researched. A new water plant raw pump is experiencing 3 phase issues. A variable speed start is being considered. Turkey vultures on the blue tank may become an issue, which requires a state permit to eliminate or detour the vultures.

Commissioner Milleville he attended the meeting concerning the National Road Yard Sale event conducted by organizer Yvonne Flannigan. Gilbert Park restrooms are open. Union Cemetery cleanup is scheduled for March 25, 2023 with April 01, 2023 rain date.

Commissioner Polk reported city wide cleanup has been scheduled for the week of April 24, 2023.

Commissioner Walker and Mayor Rippetoe has nothing to report.

Clerk Stephen informed Council the audit firm contacted her explaining the audit cost will increase by approximately \$15,000. When Federal grant money is expended in excess of \$750,000 during the fiscal year, a single audit is required at an additional cost of approximately \$10,000. ARPA funds and the DCEO sanitary sewer grants will exceed the \$750,000 expenditure limit.

The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Walker. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

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 - B. *Approve Law Enforcement Mutual Aid Agreement with Effingham County.*
 - C. *Approve Agreement with Sarah Bush Lincoln Health Center to Provide Employee Assistance Program.*
 - D. *Approve Payment Application to Kieffer Bros Construction, Northwest Sanitary Project in the Amount of \$89,464.93.*
 - E. *Approve Payment Pay Request #3 to Kieffer Bros Construction, Northwest Sanitary Project in the Amount of \$81,280.02*
 - F. *Approve Highway Authority Agreement with Wortman Holdings.*
 - G. *Approve Utility Bill Write Off's.*
 - H. *Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Personnel Matter 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) and Collective Bargaining 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(2)*
 - I. *Action as a Result of Executive Session.*
 - J. *Adjourn.*

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Council approved a Roadside Fundraiser Request by Altamont Lions Club Tootsie Pop Day May 06, 2023. Commissioner Walker motioned for approval. Commissioner Slingerland seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Council approved Law Enforcement Mutual Aid Agreement with Effingham County. Commissioner Polk motioned for approval and seconded by Commissioner Milleville. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. The agreement establishes during serious mutual aid situations officer injury responsibility will lie on the current employer.

Council Approved Agreement with Sarah Bush Lincoln Health Center to Provide Employee Assistance Program. Commissioner Slingerland motioned for approval. Commissioner Walker seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Council approved Payment Application to Kieffer Bros Construction, Northwest Sanitary Project in the Amount of \$89,464.93. Commissioner Slingerland motioned for approval. Commissioner Walker seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Council Approved Payment Pay Request #3 to Kieffer Bros Construction, Northwest Sanitary Project in the Amount of \$81,280.02. Commissioner Slingerland motioned for approval. Commissioner Walker seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Council approved Highway Authority Agreement with Wortman Holdings. Commissioner Slingerland motioned for approval. Commissioner Milleville seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. The agreement allows Wortman Holdings to complete IEPA remediation regarding soil contamination in the Right of Way at 1206 South Main Street.

Council approved Utility Bill Write Off's. Commissioner Polk motioned for approval. Commissioner Walker seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. During the 2022 audit presentation, auditors suggested the City remove uncollectible debts from the balances. Such an action has not been processed since 2015. Clerk Stephen explained plans are in place to submit balances of those other than deceased individuals, those moved out of state and low amounts not accepted to the Local Debt Recovery Program whereby debts are collected from State income tax return balances.

Commissioner Slingerland reported the Northwest Sanitary Project is currently at Ninth Street. All DCEO funding has been exhausted; all remaining costs will be City responsibility. Northwest lagoon will need a berm repair when dry weather permits, as a result of rodent damages. The #1 tank at the water plant has developed a small leak.

Commissioner Milleville reported Union Cemetery cleanup will be held on the rain date of April 01, 2023.

Commissioner Polk reported plans are underway to have the deteriorated sidewalk in front of Blossom Paradise replaced within the next few weeks.

Commissioner Walker and Mayor Rippetoe had nothing to report.

On a motion by Commissioner Polk and seconded by Commissioner Milleville Council entered into Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Personnel Matters 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) and Collective Bargaining 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (2). Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Upon returning to open session Commissioner Slingerland motioned to approve a 3% wage increase for all non-union employees, effective June 01, 2023. Commissioner Walker seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, no; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Walker. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
April 10, 2023 - 6:00 p.m.**

Agenda

1. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:
Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings
Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bills
2. POLICE REPORT
3. ENGINEER REPORT
4. PUBLIC COMMENTS
5. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS
6. COMMUNICATIONS
7. AGENDA ITEMS
 - A. *Approve Payment of Pay Request #4 to Kieffer Bros Construction, Northwest Sanitary Project in the Amount of \$ 157,100.09. (DCEO \$129,289.79; City \$27,810.30)*
 - B. *Approve CEFS Community Partnership Agreement 2023-2026.*
 - C. *Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Collective Bargaining 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(2)*
 - D. *Action as a Result of Executive Session.*
 - E.
 - F. *Adjourn.*

POSTED: April 06, 2023- 4:00 pm.

SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
April 10, 2023

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on April 10, 2023, in the Council Room of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Jason Rippetoe; Commissioner Mike Walker; Commissioner Dan Milleville; Commissioner Todd Slingerland; and Commissioner Tayler Polk. Also present – Mark Hoskins, Altamont News; Nick Taylor, Effingham Daily News; Alan Heiens, Altamont Police Chief; Becky Turner; Terry Hazlett; Tana Hazlett and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk.

The Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of prior meeting minutes and payment of bills, was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Milleville. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. (Attachment 1)

Terry & Tana Hazlett requested the City Council contact property owners on the north and south side of their residence to clean up the properties. They stated properties needed limbs picked up, shrubs trimmed and trash and litter in the yards disposed of. They reported one resident had someone living in the yard in a tent and there were inoperable vehicles. Council stated they would investigate the areas.

Becky Turner addressed the Council concerning the traffic on Wurl Lane, which was closed to thru traffic approximately eight months ago. She still has motorists driving thru her private drive to avoid the street closing. The motorists cause damage to her driveway and yard. She read a letter from another resident of Wurl Lane, Hailey Verdeyen. The letter requested the Council reconsider the closing with a resolution that would benefit all of the residents and the issues occurring. Council discussed different signage, the drainage and maintenance issues of the street, police and camera surveillance. Becky Turner requested the street be returned to its past usage or make a one way street with traffic flow from west to east. Mayor Rippetoe stated he would put up a road closed sign at Main Street and see what results would be.

Council approved Payment of Pay Request #4 to Kieffer Bros Construction, Northwest Sanitary Project in the Amount of \$157,100.09 (DCEO \$129,289.79 and City \$27,810.30) Commissioner Slingerland motioned for approval and seconded by Commissioner Polk. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Council Approved CEFS Community Partnership Agreement 2023-2026. Commissioner Polk motioned for approval. Commissioner Walker seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Commissioner Slingerland reported the Water plant has a seeping tank where fiberglass and concrete meet. A repair is being researched. Steven Winter has left employment with the City, therefore City is seeking a new Water Department employee.

Commissioner Walker reported the Electric Department handled a dropped phase, which resulted in a two hour outage. Wire installation will be completed in South Point Subdivision. A large pole is needing replaced near BK Resources.

Commissioner Milleville reported mowing season has started well. Union Cemetery clean up was completed and left the Cemetery looking good. Altamont students will be recognizing “Be a Tiffany Day” in memory of Tiffany Dunaway by conducting a two hour cleanup in Gilbert & Schmidt Parks

Commissioner Polk reported the sidewalk replacement in front of Blossom Paradise will begin tomorrow. The area absent of curbing will have curbing added. Cleaning of street drains was discussed.

Mayor Rippetoe reported a thank you was received from the Behl’s for TIF funding assistance with the roof replacement at their business, Cuts By Us.

On a motion by Commissioner Polk and seconded by Commissioner Milleville Council entered into Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Collective Bargaining 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (2). Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commission Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

No action was taken as a result of Executive Session.

The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner Walker and seconded by Commissioner Milleville. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
April 24, 2023 - 6:00 p.m.**

Agenda

1. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:
Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings
Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bills
2. PUBLIC COMMENTS
3. ENGINEER REPORT
4. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS
5. COMMUNICATIONS
6. AGENDA ITEMS
 - A. *Approve Request by Altamont Masonic Lodge to Conduct Memorial Day Parade 10:00 am May 29, 2023.*
 - B. *Approve Payment to Eric & Valerie Behl Pursuant to TIF Agreement (Ordinance 768-23) in the Amount of \$10,000.00.*
 - C. *Approve Three Year Labor Agreement between City and Illinois Council of Police, Effective May 1, 2023 – April 30, 2026.*
 - D. *Adjourn.*

POSTED: April 21, 2023- 4:00 pm.

SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
April 24, 2023

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on April 24, 2023, in the Council Room of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Jason Rippetoe; Commissioner Mike Walker; Commissioner Dan Milleville; and Commissioner Todd Slingerland. Also present – Mark Hoskins, Altamont News; Nick Taylor, Effingham Daily News; Michael Tappendorf, Milano & Grunloh Engineers; Ryan Spade, Waste Water Treatment Plant Supr; Gale Warner; and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk. Commissioner Tayler Polk was absent.

The Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of prior meeting minutes and payment of bills, was approved on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Walker. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. (Attachment 1)

Gale Warner addressed the Council concerning the closing of Wurl Lane to thru traffic. He asked Council what was going to happen. He suggested making the street one way for the six individuals who live on the street, the garbage trucks, delivery trucks, and postal carriers. Currently there is not turn around for those who unknowingly turn onto the street from either direction. Commissioner Walker commented that if people don't honor the current restriction they won't honor a one way restriction.

Michael Tappendorf reported the northwest sanitary replacement project installation is complete. Line testing and area cleanup will begin tomorrow. The project included minimal sidewalk replacement. More sidewalks were removed than expected. Council was asked if they would like Kieffer Bros to replace the sidewalks for an additional cost. Council will schedule with a different contractor. South Point Subdivision cleanup and testing will be started by Kamadulski. Kieffer Bros do not have a scheduled date for cleanup.

Council approved Request by Altamont Masonic Lodge to Conduct Memorial Day Parade 10:00 am May 29, 2023. Commissioner Slingerland motioned for approval and seconded by Commissioner Milleville. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Council Approved Payment to Eric & Valerie Behl Pursuant to TIF Agreement (Ordinance 768-23) in the Amount of \$10,000. Commissioner Slingerland motioned for approval. Commissioner Walker seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Council Approved Three Year Labor Agreement between City of Altamont and Illinois Council of Police, Effective May 1, 2023-April 30, 2026. Commissioner Slingerland motioned for approval. Commissioner Walker seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes. Contract provides for wage increase of \$2.00/hr first year, \$1.00 second and third years, an additional 24 hours personal time and an additional holiday for New Year's Eve.

Commissioner Walker reported the Electric Department handled a storm outage with one pole replacement remaining. Frontier replaced two poles on Madison Ave adjacent to the Catholic Church.

Commissioner Milleville reported mole traps have been reset at Gilbert Park. Scoreboards on diamonds D & B will have new controllers replaced. The Altamont students conducted cleanup efforts in Schmidt

and Gilbert Parks in recognition of Be a Tiffany Day. Roads in Union Cemetery have been weed sprayed.

Mayor Rippetoe had nothing to report.

Commissioner Slingerland reported two individuals will be interviewed to fill a vacancy in the Water Department. Moles continue to be caught at the wastewater treatment plant. He expressed his gratitude to those present for the working relationships, during his time on the City Council. He urged those remaining on the Council to continue improvements to the water system before mandates are received from state authority.

The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner Slingerland and seconded by Commissioner Walker. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Milleville, yes; Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Slingerland, yes; Mayor Rippetoe, yes.

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
May 08, 2023 - 6:00 p.m.**

Agenda

1. OFFICIAL OATH OF MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS
2. MAYOR – OPENING REMARKS
3. MAYOR DESIGNATION OF COMMISSIONERS DEPARTMENTS:
Commissioner of Accounts & Finances
Commissioner of Public Health & Safety
Commissioner of Public Property
Commissioner of Streets & Public Improvements
4. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:
Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings
Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bills
5. POLICE REPORT
6. PUBLIC COMMENTS
7. ENGINEER REPORT
8. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS
9. COMMUNICATIONS
10. AGENDA ITEMS
 - A. *Approve Ordinance 768-23; Legal Counsel Appointment.*
 - B. *Approve Ordinance 769-23; Appointment Ordinance.*
 - C. *Approve Payment to CliftonLarsonAllen for 2023 Audit Services in the Amount of \$31,500.00*
 - D. *Approve Special Event Liquor License Requested by Altamont VFW for Altamont Fire Department BBQ Fundraiser June 03, 2023; Liquor License Hours 8:00 am – June 04, 023 1:00 am. Waiving Special Even Liquor License Fee.*
 - E. *Approve Acreage Lease Agreement with Alex Conner 8 ½ Acres, South Wastewater Treatment.*
 - F. *Adjourn.*

POSTED: May 5, 2023- 4:00 pm.

SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
May 08, 2023

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on May 08, 2023, in the Council Room of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Dan Milleville; Commissioner Mike Walker; Commissioner Jason Rippetoe; and Commissioner Terry White. Also present – Mark Hoskins, Altamont News; Nick Taylor, Effingham Daily News; Alan Heiens, Police Chief; Charles Pagel; Scott Stephen Todd Slingerland; Larry Taylor; Derek, Emilee, Ryker & Baylor Milleville; and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk. Commissioner Tayler Polk was absent.

Newly elected officials Mayor, Dan Milleville, City Commissioners Terry White, Jason Rippetoe and Michael Walker received the official oath of office officiated by City Clerk, Sarah Stephen.

Mayor Milleville delivered opening remarks to the Council. He presented small mirrors to emphasize teamwork concepts and challenged the members to accept problems presented to them, to resolve them as a team rather than with individual direction of blame. His goal is to better serve the citizens of Altamont.

Mayor Milleville seated commissioners as follows:

- Commissioner of Accounts & Finances – Michael Walker
- Commissioner of Public Health & Safety – Jason Rippetoe
- Commissioner of Public Property – Terry White
- Commissioner of Streets & Public Improvements – Tayler Polk

The Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of prior meeting minutes and payment of bills, was approved on a motion by Commissioner Rippetoe and seconded by Commissioner Walker. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes. (Attachment 1)

Chief Heiens presented the April Police Activity Report.

Ordinance 768-23; Legal Counsel Appointment was approved on a motion by Commissioner Walker and seconded by Commissioner Rippetoe. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes. Taylor Law will be retained as legal counsel.

Ordinance 769-23; Appointment Ordinance was approved on a motion by Commissioner Rippetoe and seconded by Commissioner Walker. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes. There were no changes to appointments.

Council Approved Payment to CliftonLarsonAllen for 2023 Audit Services in the Amount of \$31,500. Commissioner Rippetoe motioned for approval. Commissioner White seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes. Amount represents a partial annual payment for services provided in April and May.

Council Approved a Special Event Liquor License for Altamont VFW for Altamont Fire Department BBQ Fundraiser June 02, 2023; Liquor License Hours 8:00 am-June 04, 2023 1:00 am and to Waive the Special Event Liquor License Fee. Commissioner Walker motioned for approval. Commissioner Rippetoe seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe,

yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes. The event will be held on VFW parking area. A special event was necessary as annual liquor license is only for serving & consumption within the confines of the VFW Post.

Commissioner White, as a new official, had nothing to report.

Commissioner Walker reported the Electric Department handled outages.

Commissioner Rippetoe reported Kamadulski has completed sewer installation at South Point Subdivision. Kieffer Bros has completed the water line installation. He and the engineer decided the City employees would complete the dirt work and seeding as a cost savings. A change order on the final pay request will reflect the amount saved.

Mayor Milleville reported there will be a girls softball tournament at Gilbert Park May 16, 17, & 20, 2023.

Clerk Stephen reported South Central IL Planning & Development called regarding a new grant opportunity for demolition and rehabilitation of residential properties. The properties must be vacant. The program requires a minimum of ten locations. However, they will apply by combining communities into one application. Council members discussed possible locations.

The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner Walker and seconded by Commissioner Rippetoe. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
May 22, 2023 - 6:00 p.m.**

Agenda

1. OFFICIAL OATH OF COMMISSIONER
2. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:
Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings
Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bills
3. PUBLIC COMMENTS
4. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS
5. COMMUNICATIONS
6. AGENDA ITEMS
 - A. *Sharon Harper; Pickle Ball Courts.*
 - B. *Approve Resolution 2023-05-03; Approving Preliminary Plat and Final Plat of Replat of South Point Subdivision and Further Approving Certificate of Platting for Replat of South Point Subdivision.*
 - C. *Approve Resolution 2023-05-04; Authorizing Execution of Declaration of Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions for Replat of South Point Subdivision.*
 - D. *OMNIBUS VOTE:*
Item No. 1 - Approve Change Order #1 Kieffer Bros; So Point Subdivision Drainage; Decrease \$7,527.50 Materials & Seeding.
Item No. 2 – Approve Change Order #2 Kamadulski Excavating; So Point Subdivison Sanitary Sewer Addition of Change in Pipe Size, Deletion of Seeding, Net Increase \$1,121.50.
 - E. *Approve Payment of Pay Request #3 to Kamadulski Excavating in the Amount of \$45,560.25; South Point Subdivision Sanitary Sewer.*
 - F. *Approve Payment of Pay Request #3 to Kieffer Bros Construction in the Amount of \$23,473.90; South Point Subdivision Street Drainage Improvements.*
 - G. *Approve Payment of Pay Request #5 to Korte & Luitjohan Contractors in the Amount of \$14,668.01; Raw Pump Replacement.*

- H. *Approve Payment of Pay Request #5 to Kieffer Bros Construction in the Amount of \$89,464.93; Northwest Sanitary Sewer Project.*
- I. *Approve Payment Application of Pay Request #6; Kieffer Bros Construction in the Amount of \$133,254.19; Northwest Sanitary Sewer Project.*
- J. *Approve Payment of Pay Request #2 to Korte & Luitjohan Contractors in the Amount of \$57,898.93; 500/900 Water Main Replacement.*
- K. *Approve Purchase of Computer Replacements in the Amount of \$15,158.70.*
- L. *Adjourn.*

POSTED: May 19, 2023- 4:00 pm.

SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
May 22, 2023

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on May 22, 2023, in the Council Room of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Dan Milleville; Commissioner Tayler Polk; Commissioner Jason Rippetoe; and Commissioner Terry White. Also present – Mark Hoskins, Altamont News; Ryan Spade, Sewer Dept Supr; Sharon Harper; Kate Ruff; Donna J Kroening; Cody Scott; Patsy Mahaffey; Debbie Frailey; Scott Moeller; Dave Frederking; and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk. Commissioner Mike Walker was absent.

The Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of prior meeting minutes and payment of bills, was approved on a motion by Commissioner Polk and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes. (Attachment 1)

Sharon Harper addressed the Council requesting the installation of pickle ball courts on the tennis court area at Nori's Yard. She stated boundary lines of a pickle ball court were painted in 2022, now they would like to see a more professional painted court as pickle ball is growing in popularity. She proposed striping for the existing basketball goal and two pickle ball courts and eliminating the tennis court if there is no current interest. If tennis is still played, tennis could remain. She provided a quote from Courts & Cracks in the amount of \$13,650. Scott Moeller, owner of Court & Cracks stated the painting would last 7-8 years. It was suggested in order to prove the interest in tennis to remove the tennis net and wait for requests to replace it. Mayor Milleville stated Council would take it under advisement.

Resolution 2023-05-03; Approving Preliminary Plat and Final Plat of Replat of South Point Subdivision and Further Approving Certificate of Platting for Replat of South Point Subdivision was approved on a motion by Commissioner Polk and seconded by Commissioner Rippetoe. Members voted as follows: Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Resolution 2023-05-04; Authorizing Execution of Declaration of Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions for Replat of South Point Subdivision was approved on a motion by Commissioner Rippetoe and seconded by Commissioner Polk. Members voted as follows: Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes

The Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of 1) Approve Change Order #1 Kieffer Bros; So Point Subdivision Drainage; Decrease \$7,527.50 Materials & Seeding; 2) Approve Change Order #2 Kamadulski Excavating; So Point Subdivision Sanitary Sewer Addition of Change in Pipe Size, Deletion of Seeding, Net Increase \$1,121.50., was approved on a motion by Commissioner Rippetoe and seconded by Commissioner Polk. Members voted as follows: Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Council Approved Payment of Pay Request #3 to Kamadulski Excavating in the Amount of \$45,560.25; South Point Subdivision Sanitary Sewer. Commissioner Polk motioned for approval. Commissioner White seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Council Approved Payment of Pay Request #3 to Kieffer Bros Construction in the Amount of \$23,473.90; South Point Subdivision Drainage Improvements. Commissioner Polk motioned for

approval. Commissioner Rippetoe seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Council Approved Payment of Pay Request #5 to Korte & Luitjohan in the Amount of \$14,668.01; Raw Pump Replacement. Commissioner White motioned for approval. Commissioner Polk seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Council Approved Payment of Pay Request #5 to Kieffer Bros Construction in the Amount of \$89,464.93; Northwest Sanitary Sewer Project. Commissioner Polk motioned for approval. Commissioner White seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Council Approved Payment Application of Pay Request #6 to Kieffer Bros Construction in the Amount of \$133,254.19; South Point Subdivision Sanitary Sewer. Commissioner Rippetoe motioned for approval. Commissioner Polk seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Council Approved Payment of Pay Request #2 to Korte & Luitjohan Contractors in the Amount of \$57,898.93; 500/900 Water Main Replacement. Commissioner White motioned for approval. Commissioner Polk seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Council Approved Purchase of Computer Replacements in the Amount of \$15,158.70. Commissioner Polk motioned for approval. Commissioner Rippetoe seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Ryan Spade, Sewer Dept Supr, reported contractor completed laying sanitary pipe in the northwest section of the City in April. Ryan compiled a list of issues which were quickly corrected by contractor. After the last large rain a crushed culvert was discovered, which caused flooding of lawns in the area. A service lateral was not reconnected. R&H Plumbing & Heating repaired the connection. The storm drain box at Jefferson and Ninth was crushed. Engineers are contacting the contractor concerning these issues. He suggested having the contractor return to fix the area on Ninth, south of Jefferson Street and then the City could take care of later ground settling.

Commissioner White, reported he met with Damon Simmons, owner of DBS Sanitation. There were no significant issues with the service being provided. A 4" water main break was repaired.

Commissioner Rippetoe reported Justin Baker completed forestry training. Gilbert Park scoreboards have been repaired again on D & B diamonds. He will be reviewing transformer and pole inventory with the Electric Supervisor.

Commissioner Polk reported Street Department has been preparing for Memorial Day events. A field review is planned with IDOT regarding the Third Street sidewalk replacement south of Washington Street. The 2023 street oiling request will be submitted to IDOT, utilizing crushed pea gravel to build a better surface. In the 100 block of West Madison a tree will be removed by Jay's Tree Service. It was reported the ditch on Meadows Street was filled in and needs to be reopened. He discussed dogs running loose and local enforcement.

Mayor Milleville reported flooding issues in South Point Subdivision are being researched. Milano & Grunloh will be re-staking lots in South Point Subdivision. Enforcement of tall weeds and grass was discussed.

Clerk Stephen reported there was not enough interest by surrounding communities to apply for the Strong Communities Program Grant regarding demolition and rehabilitation of residential properties.

The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Polk. Members voted as follows: Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
June 12, 2023 - 6:00 p.m.**

Agenda

1. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:
Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings
Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bills
2. POLICE REPORT
3. PUBLIC COMMENTS
4. ENGINEER REPORT
5. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS
6. COMMUNICATIONS
7. AGENDA ITEMS
 - A. *Approve Ordinance VA-1722; Variance for Side Yard Setback 412 South Eighth Street.*
 - B. *Approve Ordinance SP-1725; Special Use Permit to Place a Manufactured Home at 312 A North Eighth Street.*
 - C. *Approve Ordinance SP-1726; Special Use Permit to Place a Manufactured Home at 301 South Edwards Street.*
 - D. *Approve Appointment of Mike Klitzing to fill Zoning Board Vacancy.*
 - E. *Approve Resolution 2023-06-05; Effingham County Fair Parade, July 30, 2023.*
 - F. *Approve Resolution for 2023 Maintenance Program - Motor Fuel Tax Funds in the Amount of \$69,800.00.*
 - G. *Approve Resolution 2023-06-04; Third Street Sidewalk Replacement in the Amount of \$79,985.00 Utilizing Motor Fuel Tax Funds.*
 - H. *Approve Pay Request #4 – Korte & Luitjohan Contractors; Raw Pumps in the Amount of \$28,573.17.*
 - I. *Approve Purchase of 2007 Elgin Street Sweeper from Key Equipment in the Amount of \$25,000.*

- J. *Approve Purchase of Transformer for South Point Subdivision Sanitary Lift Station from Sunbelt Solomon in the Amount of \$12,000.*
- K. *Approve Ordinance 770-23; Authorizing Execution of Second Notice of Extension of Option for Purchase of Real Estate (FCC Limited Partnership)*
- L. *Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Legal Matters 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(12) and Setting Sale Price for Sale of Property 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(6)*
- M. *Adjourn.*

POSTED: June 09, 2023- 4:00 pm.

SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
June 12, 2023

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on June 12, 2023, in the Council Room of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Dan Milleville; Commissioner Tayler Polk; Commissioner Jason Rippetoe; Commissioner Mike Walker; and Commissioner Terry White. Also present – Mark Hoskins, Altamont News; Nick Taylor, Effingham Daily News; Alan Heiens, Altamont Police Chief; Mike Klitzing; Emma Klitzing; Logan Klitzing; Derek Abendroth; Bob & Dawn Hunsaker; Renee Buchanan; Aeusnee Bareristio; Michael Tappendorf, Milano & Grunloh and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk.

The Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of prior meeting minutes and payment of bills, was approved on a motion by Commissioner Walker and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes. (Attachment 1)

Altamont Police Chief, Alan Heiens, presented the May 2023 Police Activity Report.

Mike Klitzing addressed the Council concerning discussions of pickle ball courts on the tennis court area at Nori's Yard. He explained he lives across the street from Nori's Yard and witnesses the current tennis court are being enjoyed by kids and families on a regular basis for all types of activities such as basketball, whiffle ball, tennis, catch, etc. He stated he is against removal of the tennis court, as was suggested in the May 22, 2023 meeting. He tested setting up the temporary pickle ball nets and found it to be quick and effortless. He has nothing against pickle ball and recommended an exclusive court be located in another area. He offered assistance in raising money for such courts. He suggested restriping the current court. Commissioner Walker stated there were no definite plans to remove the tennis court after listening to comments from the public. Mayor Milleville stated he would like Nori's Yard to remain a neighborhood, multi-use park.

Michael Tappendorf, Milano & Grunloh Engineers reported contractors have a majority of construction of the northwest sanitary project complete. The ITEP project for sidewalk replacement has been discussed with plans to replace sidewalks on the east side of Main Street from Route 40 to Division Street; north side of Division toward Edwards; north side of Lincoln towards Fourth Street. A bid letting will be planned for Third Street sidewalk replacement from Division to Washington. South Point Subdivision sanitary will be tested as soon as electric is installed.

Ordinance VA-1722; Variance for Side Yard Setback at 512 South Eighth Street was approved on a motion by Commissioner Polk and seconded by Commissioner Rippetoe. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes. The setback will provide for a home addition.

Ordinance SP-1725; Special Use Permit to Place a Manufactured Home at 312A North Eighth Street was approved on a motion by Commissioner Walker and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, no; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Ordinance SP-1726; Special Use Permit to Place a Manufactured Home at 301 South Edwards Street was approved on a motion by Commissioner Rippetoe and seconded by Commissioner Walker. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk,

no; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes. Zoning Board recommended denial of the request. Council concurred with the Zoning Board. Therefore, request was denied.

Council Approved Appointment of Mike Klitzing to fill a Zoning Board Vacancy. Commissioner Polk motioned for approval. Commissioner Rippetoe seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, no; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Resolution 2023-06-05; Effingham County Fair Parade July 30, 2023 was approved on a motion by Commissioner Rippetoe and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, no; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Council Approved Resolution for 2023 Maintenance Program, Motor Fuel Tax Funds in the Amount of \$69,800.00. Commissioner Polk motioned for approval. Commissioner Walker seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, no; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes. Much intersection work is planned this year. Streets to be oiled are located south of Division Street and East of Main Street, not including Ewing.

Resolution 2023-06-04; Third Street Sidewalk Replacement in the Amount of \$79,985.00 Utilizing Motor Fuel Funds was approved on a motion by Commissioner Polk and seconded by Commissioner Rippetoe. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, no; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes. Project includes ADA ramp, drainage improvements and curbing. Bids will be received in 3-4 weeks.

Council Approved Pay Request #4 to Korte & Luitjohan Contractors; Raw Pumps in the Amount of \$28,573.17. Commissioner Polk motioned for approval. Commissioner White seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, no; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Council Approved Purchase of 2007 Elgin Street Sweeper from Key Equipment in the Amount of \$25,000 on a motion by Commissioner Polk. Commissioner Rippetoe seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, no; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Council Approved Purchase of Transformer for South Point Subdivision Sanitary Lift Station from Sunbelt Solomon in the Amount of \$12,000. Commissioner Rippetoe motioned for approval. Commissioner Walker seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, no; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Council Approved Ordinance 770-23; Authorizing Execution of Second Notice of Extension of Option for Purchase of Real Estate (FCC Limited Partnership). Commissioner Rippetoe motioned for approval. Commissioner Walker seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, no; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Mayor Milleville, no. The property is located north of the existing South Point Subdivision.

Council Entered into Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Legal Matters 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(12) and Setting Sale Price for Sale of Property 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(6). Commissioner Polk motioned for approval. Commissioner Walker seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, no; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Commissioner White, reported the crews repaired a broken water main on South Edwards. The water reservoir destratifier is out of service. A camera has been ordered to assist in identifying an unknown object is lodged in the system.

Commissioner Rippetoe reported he discussed upcoming projects and budget with Supervisor Meier.

Commissioner Walker reported grant requests for Gilbert Park lighting and ball diamond fence replacement and new restrooms for Schmidt Park were submitted to the Illinois Basin. Requests will be reviewed then requestors will be invited to make a detailed presentation for determination of the grant eligibility. He met with the FIELD's group and discussed replacing 400 feet of chain link fencing on the west side of the entrance with vinyl fencing. Lion's Club pavilion renovations are being planned.

Commissioner Polk reported drainage improvements at Edwards Street and Division are underway. Bids are expected in 3-4 weeks for Third Street sidewalk Division to Washington.

Mayor Milleville received resident thank you to the department for conducting a tree removal.

Clerk Stephen reported notice was received that grant funding was awarded for the lead service inventory in the amount of \$34,951. Funds will help pay for the company facilitating the lead survey and IEPA reporting.

Commissioner Polk motioned to Enter into Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Legal Matters 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(12) and Setting Sale Price for Sale of Property 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(6). Commissioner Walker seconded. Commissioner Walker seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner Walker and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
June 26, 2023 - 6:00 p.m.**

Agenda

1. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:
Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings
Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bills
2. PUBLIC COMMENTS
3. ENGINEER REPORT
4. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS
5. COMMUNICATIONS
6. AGENDA ITEMS
 - A. *Approve Request of Altamont Chamber of Commerce to Conduct Back to School Bash; Schmidt Park, September 03, 2023, 11:00 am – 11:00 pm.*
 - B. *Approve Special Use Liquor License SP-60; Altamont Chamber of Commerce Back to School Bash; Schmidt Park, September 03, 2023, 11:00 am – 11:00 pm.*
 - C. *Approve Pay Request #6, NW Sanitary Project to Kieffer Bros Construction in the Amount of \$133,254.19 Consisting of DCEO Grant \$35,692.09 City Share \$97,562.10.*
 - D. *Approve Resolution 2023-06-06; Authorizing Sale of Surplus Real Estate (302 South Edwards Street)*
 - E. *Adjourn.*

POSTED: June 23, 2023- 4:00 pm.

SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
June 26, 2023

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on June 26, 2023, in the Council Room of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Dan Milleville; Commissioner Tayler Polk; Commissioner Jason Rippetoe; Commissioner Mike Walker; and Commissioner Terry White. Also present – Mark Hoskins, Altamont News; Mike Klitzing and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk.

The Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of prior meeting minutes and payment of bills, was approved on a motion by Commissioner Walker and seconded by Commissioner Rippetoe. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes. (Attachment 1)

Council Approved a Request by Altamont Chamber of Commerce to Conduct a Back to School Bash at Schmidt Park, September 03, 2023 11:00-11:00 pm. Commissioner Rippetoe motioned for approval and Commissioner Walker seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Special Use Liquor License SP-60 for Altamont Chamber of Commerce Back to School Bash at Schmidt Park 11:00 am – 11:00 pm was approved on a motion by Commissioner Rippetoe and seconded by Commissioner Walker. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Council Approved Pay Request #6 for NW Sanitary Project to Kieffer Bros Construction in the Amount of \$133,254.19 Consisting of DCEO Grant \$35,692.09 City Share \$97,562.10 on a motion by Commissioner Polk and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Resolution 2023-06-06; Authorizing Sale of Surplus Real Estate (302 South Edwards Street) was approved on a motion by Commissioner Walker and seconded by Commissioner Polk. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, no; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Commissioner White, reported at the water reservoir the cage protecting the de-stratifier shaft has dislodged wrapping around the shaft and taking the equipment out of service. He is in search of a diver to make repairs.

Commissioner Rippetoe reported Electric Department has been conducting storm damage repairs, replacing several broken poles. They are researching pole prices in planning for replacement of many aged poles in the electric system.

Commissioner Walker reported a grant request was presented to the Illinois Basin panel.

Commissioner Polk reported drainage improvements at Edwards Street and Division are complete. Bids will be opened July 11th for Third St sidewalk replacement. He asked if water fountains had been considered at Heritage Park.

Mayor Milleville reported he and Gary White met with a representative of ALIS to review marking of parking area, the pedestrian cross walk and stop sign placement. Plans favorable to all parties involved were finalized.

The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner Walker and seconded by Commissioner Rippetoe. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
July 10, 2023 - 6:00 p.m.**

Agenda

1. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:
Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings
Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bills
2. POLICE REPORT
3. PUBLIC COMMENTS
4. ENGINEER REPORT
5. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS
6. COMMUNICATIONS
7. AGENDA ITEMS
 - A. *Announce Estimated FYE 2024 Appropriation.*
 - B. *Larry Taylor – IMEA Energy Efficiency Grant Program Update.*
 - C. *Approve Special Use Liquor License SP-61; Wright Mansion Wine Tasting Event; September 16, 2023, 9:00 am – 11:00 pm.*
 - D. *Approve Milano & Grunloh Project Authorization in the Amount of \$7,800 for Third Street Sidewalk Construction Engineering.*
 - E. *Approve Purchase of Equipment and Software Upgrades in the Amount of \$7,256.86.*
 - F. *Adjourn.*

POSTED: July 07, 2023- 4:00 pm.

SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
July 10, 2023

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on July 10, 2023, in the Council Room of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Dan Milleville; Commissioner Tayler Polk; Commissioner Jason Rippetoe; Commissioner Mike Walker; and Commissioner Terry White. Also present – Mark Hoskins, Altamont News; Nick Taylor, Effingham Daily News; Michael Tappendorf, Milano & Grunloh Engineers; Mike Klitzing; Alan Heiens, Altamont Police Chief; Kyle Stuemke; Larry Taylor; Yvonne Flanigan; Jim Watts; Ryan Spade, Sewer Dept Supr; and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk.

The Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of prior meeting minutes and payment of bills, was approved on a motion by Commissioner Walker and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes. (Attachment 1)

Chief Alan Heiens presented the June 2023 Police Activity Report.

Yvonne Flanigan provided a follow up report of the National Road Yard Sale. She stated she would like to have more help next year and plans to start organizational meetings after Labor Day. She feels Altamont has great potential in making the event even bigger. The 2024 event will be held Wednesday thru Sunday following Memorial Day. Commissioner White thanked her for spear heading of the event.

Mike Klitzing asked Council when discoloration of the water is expected to stop. Ryan Spade explained the Water Department is half way there to clearing up the high volume of manganese being detected. IEPA has approved implementation of certain treatment chemicals. It is anticipated to take at least two weeks to have the matter corrected. Another factor was the damaged destratifier being out of service. Divers are expected this week to dislodge materials, which took the destratifier out of service.

Kyle Stuemke addressed the Council asking if the City will get a return on the investments made at the water plant or is it time to consider connecting with EJ Water. He explained a trash pickup incident, where trash was dispersed along the street. Mayor Milleville explained the sanitation company had a truck breakdown. Mr. Stuemke also brought to Council's attention that the waterway behind his house needs mowed and actually should be mowed 2-3 times a year. Jim Watts advocated the topic by stating at the south end were 9 foot tall weeds. Mr. Stuemke gave permission to enter across his property to maintain the area. He also asked if he could purchase used electric poles.

Michael Tappendorf, Milano & Grunloh Engineers, reported bid opening for Third Street Sidewalk will be Tuesday July 11th at 11:00 am. He had been contacted by two qualified bidders.

Mayor Milleville announced the Estimated FYE 2024 Appropriation of \$8,794,273 a reduction of \$51,874 of the previous year.

Larry Taylor relayed appreciation of IMEA and the City of Chatham for transformers provided by the City of Altamont following severe storms. He also provided information concerning Energy Efficiency Grant Programs. He reported the City of Altamont has \$9,711.41 available for electric efficiency funds and \$3,289.84 for electric vehicle charging stations. The two can be combined. However, the E.V. charging station funds are only available for one year and do not roll over.

Special Use Liquor License SP-61 for Wright Mansion Wine Tasting Event September 16, 2023; 9:00 am – 11:00 pm was approved on a motion by Commissioner Walker and seconded by Commissioner Rippetoe. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Council Approved Project Authorization in the Amount of \$7,800 for Third Street Sidewalk Construction Engineering. Commissioner Polk motioned for approval. Commissioner Rippetoe seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Council Approved Purchase of Equipment and Software Upgrades in the Amount of \$7,256.86 on a motion by Commissioner Walker and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, no; Mayor Milleville, yes. The equipment and upgrades provide enhanced GPS documenting of the City infrastructures.

Commissioner White, reported divers will soon be onsite to free the destratifier allowing it to be operational. Ryan Spade explained the high spikes in manganese are unusual and that nothing in standard methods educates an operator for such an event. Commissioner White stated the City should be prepared to replace the existing destratifier. In learning how essential the destratifier is in producing good water the possibility of a backup unit should be reviewed.

Commissioner Rippetoe reported Electric Department has been conducting storm damage repairs, and emergency outages. The City provided the City of Chatham, who suffered severe storm damage, with transformers from City inventory. Altamont has been the beneficiary of IMEA mutual aid, it is nice to payback to those in need.

Commissioner Walker reported on the Illinois Basin grant panel meeting. They provided direction for funding of park improvements. One grant option provided was the OSLAD grant, which is due in September.

Commissioner Polk reiterated the bid opening on Tuesday for Third Street sidewalk.

Mayor Milleville had nothing to report.

The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner Polk and seconded by Commissioner Walker. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
July 24, 2023 - 6:00 p.m.**

Agenda

1. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:
Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings
Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bills
2. PUBLIC COMMENTS
3. ENGINEER REPORT
4. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS
5. COMMUNICATIONS
6. AGENDA ITEMS
 - A. *Aaron Lange – Lane Maintenance.*
 - B. *Approve Ordinance 711-23; Appropriation FYE 2024.*
 - C. *Update Third Street Sidewalk Plans*
 - D. *Adjourn.*

POSTED: July 21, 2023- 4:00 pm.

SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
July 24, 2023

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on July 24, 2023, in the Council Room of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Dan Milleville; Commissioner Tayler Polk and Commissioner Terry White. Also present – Mark Hoskins, Altamont News; Michael Tappendorf, Milano & Grunloh Engineers; Sandy Payne; Jerry & Lavera Beesley; Aaron Lange; Lyle Moll; Vaughn Voelker, Water Dept Supr; Ryan Spade, Sewer Dept Supr; and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk. Commissioner Jason Rippetoe & Commissioner Mike Walker were absent.

The Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of prior meeting minutes and payment of bills, was approved on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Polk. Members voted as follows: Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes. (Attachment 1)

Michael Tappendorf, Milano & Grunloh Engineers, reported the second bid opening for Third Street Sidewalk will be August 26th. The northwest sanitary project should be completed next month. Kamalduski completed the final testing of the South Point sanitary system. Everything tested good.

Aaron Lange & Lyle Moll addressed the Council concerning maintenance of West Jackson Avenue, west of Tenth Street which is also a part of his property entrance. An easement and agreement was entered into in May 1982 stating the City would clear snow, apply rock and grade the roadway in exchange for a 15 foot wide easement to maintain a drainage ditch. Moll stated over the years the original 15' easement has progressed to a 38' width. He stated previous councils oiled the lane every 6-7 years. He feels rock is not a fair alternative. He stating the lane is deteriorating due to lack of oiling, the culvert is washing out. Mayor Milleville and Commissioner Polk will visit the area to determine the next action needed.

Ordinance 711-23; Appropriation FYE 2024 was approved on a motion by Commissioner Polk and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes. Appropriation is \$8,810,087.

Michael Tappendorf, Milano & Grunloh Engineers updated Council on the changes to the Third Street Sidewalk Plans. The handicap parking spaces were added along Third Street at the beginning of the handicap ramp requiring additional handicap indicators, which added to the cost.

Commissioner White, reported divers dislodged the guard which had wrapped in the propeller of the water reservoir destratifier. The process was completed in two hours. The destratifier is back in operation without the guard until a new guard can be built and reinstalled. Plans are in place to find an additional option to the destratifier and a backup system. Ryan Spade explained the destratifier has been back in operation for 13 days and the manganese levels have dropped significantly, proving the destratifier is an essential piece of equipment. Use of water will determine how soon customers will stop experiencing brown water. Vaughn Voelker is convinced the water event was a timing issue with reservoir turnover and inoperable destratifier at the same time. He also praised Curry & Associates for their diligent help to discover treatment plans and determine the cause. Curry's will be teaching new testing procedures to the operators and new testing equipment has been put in place.

Commissioner Polk reported a meeting with the railroad concerning replacement of crossing gates at Monroe, Madison, Tenth & Jefferson has been rescheduled for August 22nd. Street Department is preparing streets for oiling.

Mayor Milleville reported the Effingham County CEO program has invited the City to continue participation in the program with a \$1,000 annual donation. He provided an update of South Point Subdivision stating the east ditch along the former railroad bed has been straightened, seeded and netted. A larger culvert has been installed on Empire Drive at the South Point entrance, the water line was lowered as well. Trees have been removed from the ditch south of Empire Drive, which is City property. The area was also seeded and netted.

The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner Polk and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
August 14, 2023 - 6:00 p.m.**

Agenda

1. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:
Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings
Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bills
2. POLICE REPORT
3. PUBLIC COMMENTS
4. ENGINEER REPORT
5. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS
6. COMMUNICATIONS
7. AGENDA ITEMS
 - A. *Approve Multi-Agency Special Response Team Interagency Agreement.*
 - B. *Ryan Spade – Remote Monitoring System Presentation.*
 - C. *Approve Purchase of Remote Monitoring System for Wastewater Treatment Plants from Hydro-Kinetics in the Amount of \$29,974.00.*
 - D. *Approve Ordinance 712-23; Authorizing Execution of Contract for Private Development Pursuant to Redevelopment Plant for TIF Area. (Whistle Stop)*
 - E. *Approve Resolution 2023-08-07; Authorizing Sale of Surplus Real Estate (312A North Eighth Street)*
 - F. *Approve Grant Services Agreement; So Central Regional Planning & Development, DCEO Water Grant, in the Amount of \$35,000.*
 - G. *Approve Contract S&K Concrete for Third Street Sidewalk Replacement in the Amount of \$67,092.79. with the Condition Required Bonding is Provided.*
 - H. *Adjourn.*

POSTED: August 11, 2023- 4:00 pm.

SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
August 14, 2023

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on August 14, 2023, in the Council Room of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Dan Milleville; Commissioner Tayler Polk; Commissioner Jason Rippetoe; Commissioner Mike Walker and Commissioner Terry White. Also present – Mark Hoskins, Altamont News; Nick Taylor, Effingham Daily News; Michael Tappendorf, Milano & Grunloh Engineers; Alan Heiens, Altamont Police Chief, Ryan Spade, Sewer Dept Supr; and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk.

The Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of prior meeting minutes and payment of bills, was approved on a motion by Commissioner Walker and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes. (Attachment 1)

Chief Heiens presented the July 2023 Police Activity Report.

Michael Tappendorf, Milano & Grunloh Engineers, reported the northwest sanitary project is on hold. The contractor for the Third Street sidewalk is obtaining bonding.

Council approved a Multi-Agency Special Response Team Interagency Agreement on a motion by Commissioner Rippetoe. Commissioner Walker seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes. Other agencies involved include Effingham City and Effingham County. Chief Heiens stated it is a mid-level swat team to be utilized for warrants and special responses. The fee of \$500 per officer will not be charged at this time. Officer Chris Carpenter will represent Altamont on the team.

Ryan Spade, Waster Water Department Supervisor, presented a remote monitoring system for the sanitary plant locations. The system will provide an upgrade to the current out dated alarm system; data logging and reporting; monitors many pieces of equipment including pumps and generators. The unit would eliminate the need for employees to check the plants on weekends. Additional enhancement modules can be purchased at a later date. Ryan Spade proposed installing the system in phases, with the south sewer plant being the first. Commissioner Rippetoe suggested purchasing the complete system.

Commissioner Walker motioned to purchase the Remote Monitoring System for Wastewater Treatment Plants from Hydro-Kinetics for an amount not to exceed \$44,000.00. Commissioner Rippetoe seconded the motion. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Council Approved Ordinance 712-23 Authorizing Execution of Contract for Private Development Pursuant to Redevelopment Plan for TIF Area (Whistle Stop) on a motion by Commissioner Polk. Commissioner Walker seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes. TIF funding will provide 50% of the project, not to exceed \$4,000.

Council Approved Resolution 2023-08-07 Authorizing Sale of Surplus Real Estate (312A North Eight Street). Commissioner Rippetoe motioned for approval. Commissioner White seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes. The empty residential lot will be sold for \$7,000.

Council Approved Grant Services Agreement with South Central Regional Planning & Development for DCEO Water Grant in the Amount of \$35,000. Commissioner Walker motioned for approval. Commissioner White seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Council Approved Contract with S&K Concrete for Third Street Sidewalk Replacement in the Amount of \$67,092.79 with the Condition Required Bonding is Provided. Commissioner Polk motioned for approval. Commissioner Walker seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Commissioner White reported he attended with Hydro-Kinetics demonstration. Water condition complaints have minimized. The Effingham County Fairgrounds water service was flushed at the beginning of the fair, which corrected the discolored water conditions.

Commissioner Rippetoe reported the Electric Department has been fighting small outages. A bunk of new poles have been ordered, delivery is expected in 4-6 weeks. Replacing one pole a day is the priority.

Commissioner Walker reported he met with the FIELD's group. Fence materials have been ordered. Installation in Gilbert Park is planned for October 2023.

Commissioner Polk reported Street Department has been repairing a water leak on Ewing Street. A culvert replacement was installed on West Jefferson. Completion of traffic control posting of the storm drain project at Division and Edwards was discussed.

Mayor Milleville had nothing to report.

The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Walker. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
August 28, 2023 - 6:00 p.m.**

Agenda

1. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:
Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings
Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bills
2. PUBLIC COMMENTS
3. ENGINEER REPORT
4. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS
5. COMMUNICATIONS
6. AGENDA ITEMS
 - A. *Approve Payment to Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund in the Amount of \$216,923.00; Employer Portion of Early Retirement Incentive.*
 - B. *Approve Ordinance 773-23; Authorizing Execution of Contract for Private Development Pursuant to Redevelopment Plan for TIF Area. (Relax Inn)*
 - C. *Approve Scope of Project with F.I.E.L.D.'s Group to Construct Vinyl Fencing at Gilbert Park.*
 - D. *Waive Competitive Bidding for Purchase of Remote Monitoring System as Approved by Council August 14, 2023.*
 - E. *Approve Purchase of Playground Equipment from Play Ground Boss in the Amount of \$27,757.00 and Waiving Competitive Bid Process.*
 - F. *Adjourn.*

POSTED: August 25, 2023- 4:00 pm.

SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
August 28, 2023

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on August 28, 2023, in the Council Room of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Dan Milleville; Commissioner Tayler Polk; Commissioner Jason Rippetoe; Commissioner Mike Walker and Commissioner Terry White. Also present – Mark Hoskins, Altamont News; Charles Pagel; Steve Stice and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk.

The Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of prior meeting minutes and payment of bills, was approved on a motion by Commissioner Walker and seconded by Commissioner Rippetoe. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes. (Attachment 1)

Steve Stice informed the Council he had a sinkhole in his back yard, which seems to continue onto the lot behind him.

Council Approved Payment to Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund in the Amount of \$216,923.00 for Employer Portion of Early Retirement Incentive on a motion by Commissioner Rippetoe. Commissioner White seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes. Payment serves as completion of the early retirement plan of Terry Hahn and Doug Holman.

Council Approved Ordinance 773-23 Authorizing Execution of Contract for Private Development Pursuant to Redevelopment Plan for TIF Area (Relax Inn) on a motion by Commissioner Walker. Commissioner Rippetoe seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes. TIF funding will provide 50% of the project, not to exceed \$5,000 for painting and parking lot improvements.

Commissioner Walker explained the scope of a project lead by the F.I.E.L.D's group to remove an existing chain link fence on the west side of Gilbert Park entrance and replace with a two rail vinyl fence. Fence openings will replace previous gated areas. The F.I.E.L.D's group will purchase material and provide all volunteer labor. A liability waiver will be signed daily by participating volunteers. Commissioner Walker motioned to approve the Scope of the Project. Commissioner Polk seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Council Approved Waiving Competitive Bidding for Purchase of Remote Monitoring System as Approved by Council August 14, 2023. Commissioner White motioned for approval. Commissioner Walker seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Council Approved Purchase of Playground Equipment from Play Ground Boss in the Amount of \$27,757.00 and Waiving Competitive Bid Process. Commissioner Walker motioned for approval. Commissioner Polk seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes. The late Jim Stice bequeathed \$10,000 to Gilbert Park playground equipment. The F.I.E.L.D's group is contributing \$5,000.00. The City will pay the remaining balance of \$12,757.00. An aged wooden playset and slide will be removed for construction of the new playset by volunteers.

Commissioner White reported at the water treatment plant finish pump #1 has been repaired and re-installed with the VFD. Finish pump #2 has been pulled for inspection. A replacement cage is being sought for the destratifier. The Sewer Department is preparing for installation of the new monitoring system.

Commissioner Rippetoe reported the Electric Department has replaced four poles and some transformers, removed a tree on North Bond and installed a new service on Sadie Lane.

Commissioner Walker thanked Steve Stice for his father's donation to Gilbert Park. The light at Klitzing Park has been repaired.

Commissioner Polk reported Street Department has completed street oiling. Division and Edwards was completed with installation of bollards and intersections were shaped. He reminded those present of the Altamont Chamber Back to School Bash on September 3rd from 11:00 am – 11:00 pm.

Mayor Milleville reported attending an Effingham County Chamber meeting and the Southern Illinois Mayors Association meeting.

Clerk Stephen reported electrical improvements are planned at the Municipal Building. During a recent occurrence it was determined the electrical panel is critically outdated. A new unit installation has been ordered at a cost of less than \$13,000.

The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner Walker and seconded by Commissioner Rippetoe. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
September 11, 2023 - 6:00 p.m.**

Agenda

1. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:
Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings
Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bills
2. POLICE REPORT
3. PUBLIC COMMENTS
4. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS
5. COMMUNICATIONS
6. AGENDA ITEMS
 - A. *Approve Roadside Fundraiser; Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive, September 15, 2023.*
 - B. *Approve Controlled Burn Request by American Legion to Conduct Dignified Disposal of Unserviceable Flags at Schmidt Park October 21st, 4:30 pm.*
 - C. *Adjourn.*

POSTED: September 08, 2023- 4:00 pm.

SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
September 11, 2023

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on September 11, 2023, in the Council Room of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Dan Milleville; Commissioner Tayler Polk; Commissioner Mike Walker and Commissioner Terry White. Also present – Mark Hoskins, Altamont News; Gale Warner; Greg Warner; Alan Heiens, Altamont Police Chief and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk. Commissioner Jason Rippetoe was absent.

The Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of prior meeting minutes and payment of bills, was approved on a motion by Commissioner Walker and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes. (Attachment 1)

Chief Heiens presented the August 2023 Police Activity Report. Council members questioned Chief Heiens about the use of e-cycles. Chief Heiens stated the e-cycles under 50 cc are legal. Operators, of all ages, are to abide by all traffic laws.

Gale Warner addressed the Council and Chief Heiens with concerns of fast traffic on North Fourth Street. He requested the street be patrolled. He further stated there are many children along Fourth Street and if one was injured by a speeding motorist he didn't want the burden if he didn't report the concern.

Council Approved Roadside Fundraiser Request for Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive to be held September 15, 2023 on a motion by Commissioner Polk. Commissioner Walker seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Council Approved Controlled Burn Request by American Legion to Conduct Dignified Disposal of Unserviceable Flags at Schmidt Park October 21, 2023 at 4:30 m. on a motion by Commissioner Walker. Commissioner White seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Commissioner Polk reported street oiling was completed and he is very pleased with the results. A failing culvert and sidewalk has been replaced at Schmidt Park along Main Street.

Commissioner Walker reported the new playground equipment arrived. Thanks to the Electric Department for repairing the ball diamond lights. He is obtaining bids to replace Diamond A press box.

Commissioner White reported it has been challenging to find a welder to repair the destratifier cage.

Mayor Milleville reported more dirt has been moved at South Point Subdivision, the north side is now draining correctly, the road building is started and dirt will be added to the cul-de-sac area. Spring 2024 is anticipated timeframe for lots to be ready for sale.

Clerk Stephen reported an electronics recycling drive is planned for September 30th 9:00am – noon. The drop off location will be 603 West Monroe Avenue. South Central Regional Planning & Development will be assisting with State reporting of the Lead Service Line Inventory grant free of charge. Tuesday September 12th there will be no electric or phones at the municipal building due to electrical upgrade work being conducted that day.

The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner Walker and seconded by Commissioner Polk. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
September 25, 2023 - 6:00 p.m.**

Agenda

1. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:
Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings
Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bills
2. PUBLIC COMMENTS
3. ENGINEER REPORT
4. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS
5. COMMUNICATIONS
6. AGENDA ITEMS
 - A. *Approve Final Pay Request to Kamadulski Excavating for South Point Subdivision Sanitary Sewer Installation in the Amount of \$42,614.64.*
 - B. *Approve Professional Services Agreement with Milano & Grunloh Engineers for Design and Construction Engineering of CDBG Grant Project Water Main Replacement in the Amount of \$252,638.10.*
 - C. *Approve Payment to Larry Heuerman for Street Oiling \$18,172.70*
 - D. *Approve Adoption Agreement of Deferred Compensation Plan with Professional Benefits Group.*
 - E. *Adjourn.*

POSTED: September 22, 2023- 4:00 pm.

SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
September 25, 2023

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on September 25, 2023, in the Council Room of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Dan Milleville; Commissioner Tayler Polk; Commissioner Jason Rippetoe and Commissioner Terry White. Also present – Mark Hoskins, Altamont News; Lee Beckman, Milano & Grunloh Engineers and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk. Commissioner Mike Walker was absent.

The Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of prior meeting minutes and payment of bills, was approved on a motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Polk. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes. (Attachment 1)

Lee Beckman, Milano & Grunloh Engineers provided an update of projects. Water main replacement grant draft plans have been sent to EPA. 3rd St sidewalk contractor plans to begin end of October. South Point Subdivision final pay request for sanitary installation is presented for payment later in the meeting. ITEP grant for sidewalk replacement construction is tentative for 2024 following water main replacement. NW Sanitary project contractor will return for restoration, seeding and mulching.

Council Approved Final Pay Request to Kamadulski Excavating for South Point Subdivision Sanitary Sewer Installation in the Amount of \$42,614.64 on a motion by Commissioner White. Commissioner Rippetoe seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Council Approved Professional Services Agreement with Milano & Grunloh Engineers for Design and Construction Engineering of CDBG Grant Project Water Main Replacement in the Amount of \$252,638.10 on a motion by Commissioner Polk. Commissioner White seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Council Approved Payment to Larry Heuerman for Street Oiling in the Amount of \$18,172.70 on a motion by Commissioner Polk. Commissioner Rippetoe seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Council Approved Adoption Agreement of Deferred Compensation Plan with Professional Benefits Group. Commissioner Polk motioned for approval. Item died for lack of a second. The program was an employee voluntary annuity plan.

Commissioner White reported the south wastewater treatment plant new monitoring system is installed and operational. The monitoring system for the north wastewater treatment plant has been ordered. The monitor system is anticipated to eliminate equipment overworking. The five foot flail mower has been delivered with pleasing results. The water plant will be ordering a new heat and air unit. The current system is over twenty years old and non-functional.

Commissioner Rippetoe reported eight pole changes have been completed, more are planned and the department is awaiting delivery of more poles. Gilbert Park ball diamond lights were repaired.

Commissioner Polk reported the Street Department has been working on drainage, tilling and seeding. The street sweeper is under repair. A tree stump was removed at Gilbert Park in preparation for the playground equipment installation. He encouraged the Council to continue cleanup of dangerous and unsafe buildings in the City.

Mayor Milleville reported the closing was held for the lot on Eighth Street sold to Alex Wendling.

The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner Polk and seconded by Commissioner Rippetoe. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
October 09, 2023 - 6:00 p.m.**

Agenda

1. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:
Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings
Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bills
2. POLICE REPORT
3. PUBLIC COMMENTS
4. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS
5. COMMUNICATIONS
6. AGENDA ITEMS
 - A. *Approve Lions Club Candy Day Roadside Fundraiser October 13, 2023.*
 - B. *Approve St. Paul ELCA Trunk or Treat October 31st 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm on North Main Street Parking Lot (S&W).*
 - C. *Approve Payment to Hydro-Kinetics, South Wastewater Treatment Plant Monitor System in the Amount of \$19,925.00.*
 - D. *Approve Payment to Larry Heuerman, Street Maintenance Rock Application in the Amount of \$10,951.13.*
 - E. *Approve Purchase of Pickup Truck for Street Department, Not to Exceed \$20,000.*
 - F. *Approve Renewal of Blue Cross Blue Shield Employee Health Insurance Coverage to Include a 9.2% Premium Increase.*
 - G. *Adjourn.*

POSTED: October 06, 2023- 4:00 pm.

SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
October 09, 2023

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on October 09, 2023, in the Council Room of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Dan Milleville; Commissioner Tayler Polk; Commissioner Mike Walker; Commissioner Jason Rippetoe and Commissioner Terry White. Also present – Mark Hoskins, Altamont News; Mark Workman; Altamont Police Chief Alan Heiens and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk.

The Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of prior meeting minutes and payment of bills, was approved on a motion by Commissioner Polk and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes. (Attachment 1)

Chief Heiens presented the September 2023 Police Activity Report. Council members question Chief Heiens about business door check and school crossing procedures.

Mark Workman thanked the Council for the recent TIF assistance. He asked how many package liquor licenses were available.

Council Approved Roadside Fundraiser Request for Lion's Club Candy Day to be held October 13, 2023 a motion by Commissioner Polk. Commissioner Rippetoe seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Council Approved St. Paul ELCA Trunk or Treat October 31st 6:00-8:00 pm on North Main Street Parking Lot (S&W) on a motion by Commissioner Walker. Commissioner White seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Council Approved Payment to Hydro-Kinetics, South Wastewater Treatment Plant Monitor System, in the Amount of \$19,925.00 on a motion by Commissioner White. Commissioner Walker seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes. This is first in a sequence of installations

Council Approved Payment to Larry Heuerman, Street Maintenance Rock Application, in the Amount of \$10,951.13 on a motion by Commissioner Polk. Commissioner Walker seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Council Approved Purchase of a Pickup Truck for Street Department, Not to Exceed \$20,000. Commissioner Polk motioned for approval. Commissioner Rippetoe seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes. This will replace the brown Dodge, needing extensive front end repairs. The Street Equipment fund has money available, purchase will not be a budget hardship.

Council approved Renewal of Blue Cross Blue Shield Employee Health Insurance Coverage to Include a 9.2% Premium Increase. Commissioner Rippetoe motioned for approval. Commissioner Walker

seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Commissioner Polk reported leaf pickup will soon begin. Areas of the northwest sanitary replacement have settled, especially on Ninth & Tenth Street. Third Street sidewalk replacement will begin the end of the month.

Commissioner Walker reported Altamont Principal, Peggy Bueker, is organizing Be a Tiffany program projects whereby the students achieve community service projects. They recently cleaned Union Cemetery and the City parks. They are searching out more projects. Gilbert Park fence replacement is on schedule for October 21st with completion on October 22nd. 10-15 volunteers are needed for installation of the new Gilbert Park playground equipment. Soccer field moles are at an all-time low.

Commissioner Rippetoe reported pole changes are scheduled for Tuesday and Wednesday. A new light is to be installed in the parking area of Gilbert Park. Street light replacements have been ordered. Communication line connections on City utility poles are stressing the system.

Commissioner White reported Limnetics Company has a destratifier solution that is being looked into. Unknown to City employees, the salesman has been monitoring the reservoir for quite some time. The carbon/lime machine needs repaired or replaced.

Mayor Milleville had nothing to report.

Clerk Stephen reported the electronics recycling drive was well received with four ton collected. She will be attending the mandatory DCEO workshop in Springfield on October 18th, in order to keep the City in grant compliance.

The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner Polk and seconded by Commissioner Rippetoe. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
October 23, 2023 - 6:00 p.m.**

Agenda

1. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:
Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings
Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bills
2. PUBLIC COMMENTS
3. ENGINEER REPORT
4. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS
5. COMMUNICATIONS
6. AGENDA ITEMS
 - A. *Sandy Perry, CliftonLarsonAllen, Presentation of FYE 2023 Audit.*
 - B. *Approve Ordinance 774-23; Authorizing Execution of Contract for Private Development Pursuant to the City of Altamont Illinois Redevelopment Plan for Tax Increment Area (DKSK Properties)*
 - C. *Approve Ordinance 775-23; Authorizing Execution of Contract for Private Development Pursuant to the City of Altamont Illinois Redevelopment Plan for Tax Increment Area (Crystal Sphar Finley dba The Skin Refinery)*
 - D. *Approve Ordinance 776-23; Authorizing Execution of the RMA Minimum/Maximum Contribution Agreement in the Amount of \$122,239.79.*
 - E. *Approve Payment to CNP Welcome Group dba Relax Inn Pursuant to TIF Agreement (Ordinance 773-23) in the Amount of \$5,000.00.*
 - F. *Approve Encroachment Permit, 208 West Washington Ave, Install Storm Drainage.*
 - G. *Adjourn.*

POSTED: October 20, 2023- 4:00 pm.

SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
October 23, 2023

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on October 23, 2023, in the Council Room of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Dan Milleville; Commissioner Tayler Polk; Commissioner Mike Walker; Commissioner Jason Rippetoe and Commissioner Terry White. Also present – Mark Hoskins, Altamont News; Seth Flach, Milano & Grunloh Engineers; and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk.

The Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of prior meeting minutes and payment of bills, was approved on a motion by Commissioner Walker and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes. (Attachment 1)

Seth Flach, Milano & Grunloh Engineers, presented a project update. Design work has begun on Main Street water main replacement. A drone will be utilized for engineering plans. Third Street sidewalk replacement will begin next week. The field survey is almost complete for ITEP sidewalk replacement. Kieffer's portion of the Northwest Sanitary project is complete. A punch list will be completed next spring. The City will complete concrete work.

The audit presentation was moved to the next meeting.

Council Approved Ordinance 774-23; Authorizing Execution of a Contract for Private Development Pursuant to the City of Altamont Illinois Redevelopment Plan for Tax Increment Area (DKSK Properties) a motion by Commissioner White. Commissioner Walker seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes. The agreement provides \$10,000 for completion of a parking lot on the west side of Kremer Pharmacy and ten year 50% rebate of real estate tax increase for the project area.

Council Approved Ordinance 775-23; Authorizing Execution of a Contract for Private Development Pursuant to the City of Altamont Illinois Redevelopment Plan for Tax Increment Area (Crystal Sphar Finley dba The Skin Refinery) on a motion by Commissioner Rippetoe. Commissioner Walker seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes. The agreement provides \$25,000 reimbursement of adjacent building purchase.

Council Approved Ordinance 776-23; Authorizing Execution of the RMA Minimum/Maximum Contribution Agreement in the Amount of \$122,239.79 on a motion by Commissioner White. Commissioner Walker seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Council Approved Payment to CNP Welcome Group dba Relax Inn Pursuant to TIF Agreement (Ordinance 773-23) in the amount of \$5,000.00 on a motion by Commissioner Rippetoe. Commissioner White seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Council Approved Encroachment Permit, 208 West Washington Avenue, Install Storm Drainage. Commissioner Polk motioned for approval. Commissioner Walker seconded. Members voted as

follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes. The encroachment allows for installation of a drainage pipe on City property.

Commissioner Walker reported Gilbert Park vinyl fence installation was completed. A volunteer group is being organized to install new playground equipment on November 4th and complete on November 11th if needed. He is meeting with Pyramid Marble to start resetting stones at Union Cemetery.

Commissioner Rippetoe reported 40 utility poles were delivered.

Commissioner White reported a proposal for purchase of a destratifier will be presented at the next meeting. The water department lime machine needs replaced at an estimated cost of \$30,000. He toured the Northwest Sanitary project and determined it looks good. Installation of a monitoring system at the north wastewater plant is almost complete. At the north wastewater lagoon moles and muskrats continue to cause erosion on the south side of the berm. Wachtel Farms will be removing trees in the fence north of the lagoons.

Commissioner Polk reported S&K Concrete will be starting the Third Street sidewalk replacement next week. He discussed with S&K replacing a portion of West Jefferson Street sidewalk and the concrete work in the Northwest Sanitary project area. The City building near Monroe Street, facing the railroad has a deteriorating foundation. Repairs and replacement were discussed.

Mayor Milleville had nothing to report.

Clerk Stephen reported on the DCEO workshop she attended. Text My Gov has over 600 people signed on. She spoke with the owner of 107 South Main, the house will be repaired according to the insurance schedule.

The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner Walker and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

**CITY OF ALTAMONT
PUBLIC HEARING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
November 13, 2023 – 5:45 p.m.**

*Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Development
Community Development Block Grant Application
Northwest Sanitary Rehabilitation Project
Project Performance Hearing*

Information provided will include:

Comparison of grant funding requested and actual grant award
Project completion timeline
Accomplishments realized
Actual grant expenditures

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
November 13, 2023 - 6:00 p.m.**

Agenda

1. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:
Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings
Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bills
2. POLICE REPORT
3. PUBLIC COMMENTS
4. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS
5. COMMUNICATIONS
6. AGENDA ITEMS
 - A. *Sandy Perry, CliftonLarsonAllen, Presentation of FYE 2023 Audit.*
 - B. *Approve Purchase from A&H Implement of 2020 Dodge Pickup for Street Department in Amount of \$20,000.*
 - C. *Approve Ordinance 777-23; Authorizing Lease of Real Estate (Effingham County Emergency Telephone System Board)*
 - D. *Approve Ordinance 778-23; Authorizing Execution of Contract for Private Development Pursuant to the City of Altamont Illinois Redevelopment Plan for Tax Increment Area (Fred & ScottMo Enterprises)*
 - E. *Approve Payment to I20 Water, Second Year of Lead Service Line Inspection Program in the Amount of \$13,230.00.*
 - F. *Approve Purchase of Destratifier from Limnetics Corporation in the Amount of \$30,350.00*
 - G. *Announce Estimated Tax Levy.*
 - H. *Adjourn.*

POSTED: November 09, 2023- 4:00 pm.

SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
November 13, 2023

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on November 13, 2023, in the Council Room of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Dan Milleville; Commissioner Tayler Polk; Commissioner Mike Walker; Commissioner Jason Rippetoe and Commissioner Terry White. Also present – Mark Hoskins, Altamont News; Nick Taylor, Effingham Daily News; Sandy Perry, CLA; Alan Heiens, Altamont Police Chief; Phil & Paula Devore; and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk.

The Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of prior meeting minutes and payment of bills, was approved on a motion by Commissioner Walker and seconded by Commissioner Rippetoe. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes. (Attachment 1)

Sandy Perry, CliftonLarsonAllen, presented the FYE 2023 audit. No concerns were found in the audit process. She stated the 2024 audit would focus on IT and network agreements, per GASB rulings.

Chief Heiens presented the October 2023 Police Activity Report. Chief reported he has been watching the school crossings in the morning. A speed indicator on West Jackson Avenue has helped slow traffic.

Council Approved Purchase of a 2020 Dodge Pickup for Street Department from A&H Implement on a motion by Commissioner Polk. Commissioner Rippetoe seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Council Ordinance 777-23 Authorizing Lease of Real Estate (Effingham County Emergency Telephone System Board) on a motion by Commissioner Polk. Commissioner White seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes. An attachment will be placed on the Gilbert Park tower to strengthen the radio transmission signal to emergency responders.

Council Approved Ordinance 778-23; Authorizing Execution of Contract for Private Development Pursuant to the City of Altamont Illinois Redevelopment Plan for Tax Increment Area (Fred & ScottMo Enterprises) on a motion by Commissioner White. Commissioner Rippetoe seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes. The agreement provides one half of the cost to upgrade flooring and the HVAC system, not to exceed \$10,000 at the location of 112 West Adams.

Council Approved Payment to 120 Water for the Second Year of Lead Service Line Inspection Program in the Amount of \$13,230 on a motion by Commissioner White. Commissioner Walker seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Commissioner White motioned to purchase a Destratifier from Limnetics Corporation in the Amount of \$30,350 with TIF Funds. Motion died for lack of a second.

Commissioner White explained the importance of the destratifier and the summer water violation was caused by a failed unit. Since the event happed after appropriation was set, water department funds had not budgeted for such a purchase. The current unit would be removed and fully inspected for a potential

backup unit. Curry's engineering firm recommended a unit replacement. Commissioner Polk expressed concerns of the water plant living on borrowed time and money. Commissioner Rippetoe stated the TIF funds should not be used as a slush fund for repairs to the utility departments. He would support an infrastructure improvement for a new or expanding business.

Commissioner White motioned to Approved Purchase of a Destratifier from Limnetics Corporation in the Amount of \$30,350 with Water Department funds. Commissioner Walker seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Mayor Milleville announced the Estimated Tax Levy in the amount of \$278,000 a 4.14% increase over the previous year.

Commissioner Walker reported Gilbert Park playground equipment was installed with the help of eight volunteers. The surface needs landscaped and mulched. In the spring a commemorative plaque and recognition will be held. Ho Ho Land Christmas display at Schmidt Park is partially installed and will be open to the public November 24th. Two trees planted as seedlings some years ago will be transplanted into Union Cemetery. The Garden Club planted a tree in Schmidt Park in memory of Charlotte Brauer. Pyramid Marble has quoted \$6,000 for eight hours of work straightening stones in Union Cemetery.

Commissioner Polk reported leaf pickup started last week. At the Third Street sidewalk project a cleanout was stubbed inside the sidewalk. Curbing is done. There was an elevation change in front of 8 North Third, creating a 6"-7" step onto the premises. The project is expected to be completed at weeks end.

Commissioner White reported the south wastewater plant lost power due to broken utility poles. The north wastewater treatment plant monitoring system installation is complete. Rural Med Ambulance has moved into the Cobblestone to better serve the Altamont area. They are searching for a location with living quarters to accommodate responders.

Commissioner Rippetoe reported the Electric Department is getting good experience at replacing utility poles.

Mayor Milleville reported a TIF Joint Review Board meeting was held November 1st. He met with Pam Jacobs of Effingham County Emergency Management. He attended the Illinois Municipal Electric Association Regional meeting held in Effingham. He obtained useful information from all the meetings.

The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner Walker and seconded by Commissioner Rippetoe. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
202 NORTH SECOND ST
ALTAMONT, ILLINOIS
November 27, 2023 - 6:00 p.m.**

Agenda

1. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:
Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings
Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bills
2. PUBLIC COMMENTS
3. ENGINEER REPORT
4. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS
5. COMMUNICATIONS
6. AGENDA ITEMS
 - A. *Approve Pay Estimate #1 S&K Concrete for Third St Sidewalk in the Amount of \$47243.25*
 - B. *Approve Ordinance 779-23; Amended Appropriation Ordinance FYE 2024.*
 - C. *Approve Ordinance 780-23; Establishing Levy FYE 2024.*
 - D. *Approve Ordinance 781-23; Annual Abatement Ordinance*
 - E. *Approve Ordinance SP-1742; Construct a Barndominium Home at 302 North Tenth Street*
 - F. *Approve Appointment of Jeff Simpson as Chairman of the Zoning Board.*
 - G. *Adjourn.*

POSTED: November 22, 2023- 4:00 pm.

SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
November 27, 2023

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on November 27, 2023, in the Council Room of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Dan Milleville; Commissioner Mike Walker; Commissioner Jason Rippetoe and Commissioner Terry White. Also present – Mark Hoskins, Altamont News; Kara Curtis; Seth Flach, Milano & Grunloh; and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk. Commissioner Tayler Polk was absent.

The Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of prior meeting minutes and payment of bills, was approved on a motion by Commissioner Walker and seconded by Commissioner Rippetoe. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes. (Attachment 1)

Seth Flach, Milano & Grunloh Engineers presented a projects report. Water main replacement project has 60% of design work completed. Third Street sidewalk should be completed this week with the use of a temporary handrail. The permanent handrail is on order. Field work is completed for sidewalk replacement. Northwest sanitary replacement project is complete; the City will provide needed concrete repair work; seeding and mulching will be reviewed in the spring, as there is a one year warranty.

Council Approved Pay Estimate #1 to S&K Concrete for Third Street Sidewalk in the Amount of \$47,243.25 on a motion by Commissioner Rippetoe. Commissioner White seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Council Approved Ordinance 779-23 Amended Appropriation Ordinance FYE 2024 on a motion by Commissioner Walker. Commissioner Rippetoe seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes. The appropriation was lowered \$1,198,220 in large for projects carrying over into FYE 2025.

Council Approved Ordinance 780-23; Establishing Levy FYE 2024 on a motion by Commissioner Rippetoe. Commissioner White seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes. The levy is set at \$278,000.

Council Approved Ordinance 781-23 Annual Abatement Ordinance on a motion by Commissioner Rippetoe. Commissioner Walker seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Council Approved Ordinance SP-1742; Construct a Bardominium Home at 302 North Tenth Street on a motion by Commissioner White. Commissioner Walker seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Council Approved Appointment of Jeff Simpson as Chairman of the Zoning Board on a motion by Commissioner Rippetoe. Motion seconded by Commissioner Walker. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Commissioner White reported the water reservoir is down 38 inches. The destratifier has been ordered with the anticipation of an April 2024 installation.

Commissioner Rippetoe reported Christmas lights are being installed. 6-7 pole changes were completed in the last two weeks. Crew will plan to start tree trimming and cleanup south wastewater treatment plant line repair area.

Commissioner Walker reported leaf pickup has started. Parks are closed. Two trees were transplanted at Union Cemetery. Monument realignment is planned for next spring. Ho Ho Land lighting display was completed with the assistance of hi school students. Volunteers will greet visitors during display hours.

Mayor Milleville reported he met with Helitech regarding raising of a sidewalk portion at 1 South Third Street. A meeting is scheduled for Tuesday November 28th with Frontier and contractors concerning fiber optic installation.

The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner Walker and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, COUNCIL ROOM
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December 11, 2023 - 6:00 p.m.**

Agenda

1. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:
Item No. 1 – Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings
Item No. 2 – Approve Payment of Bills
2. POLICE REPORT
3. PUBLIC COMMENTS
4. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS
5. COMMUNICATIONS
6. AGENDA ITEMS
 - A. *Approve 2024 Holiday Schedule.*
 - B. *Approve Resolution 2023-12-08; 2024 Meeting Schedule.*
 - C. *Approve Ordinance 782-23; Paid Workers Leave Act.*
 - D. *Approve Payment to Crystal Sphar Pursuant to TIF Agreement (Ordinance 775-23) in the Amount of \$25,000.*
 - E. *Adjourn.*

POSTED: December 08, 2023- 4:00 pm.

SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
December 11, 2023

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on December 11, 2023, in the Council Room of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Dan Milleville; Commissioner Tayler Polk; Commissioner Mike Walker; Commissioner Jason Rippetoe and Commissioner Terry White. Also present – Mark Hoskins, Altamont News; Alan Heiens, Altamont Police Chief; and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk.

The Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of prior meeting minutes and payment of bills, was approved on a motion by Commissioner Walker and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes. (Attachment 1)

Chief Heiens presented the November Police Activity Report.

Council Approved the 2024 Holiday Schedule on a motion by Commissioner Walker. Commissioner Polk seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes. Martin Luther King day was added to the holiday schedule.

Council Approved Resolution 2023-12-08; 2024 Meeting Schedule on a motion by Commissioner Walker. Commissioner White seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes. Meetings continue to be held at 6:00 pm the second and fourth Monday of the month.

Council Approved Ordinance 782-23; Paid Workers Leave Act on a motion by Commissioner Polk. Commissioner Walker seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, no; Mayor Milleville, yes. The Act states all workers will be provided one hour of paid vacation for every 40 hours worked.

Council Approved Payment to Crystal Sphar Pursuant to TIF Agreement (Ordinance 775-23) in the Amount of \$25,000 on a motion by Commissioner Polk. Commissioner Walker seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Commissioner Polk reported Third Street sidewalk project is awaiting the permanent handrail. The craftsmanship of the project is good. The water meter was moved for Kremer Pharmacy providing for additional improvements of the area.

Commissioner Walker reported he is meeting with Pyramid Marble Friday, December 15th to discuss future stone repairs at Union Cemetery. Commissioner Polk asked if heated year-around restrooms at any of the parks had been considered.

Commissioner Rippetoe reported improvements are planned at the generation plant. Tree cutting will start soon.

Commissioner White reported new alarms systems will be installed at East Meadows lift station and South Main lift station on December 18th. This will complete the new monitoring installation. The barn structure, which sets on the former Budde property and reservoir property is being removed.

Mayor Milleville had nothing to report.

Clerk Stephen, asked Council's view on removing the piano in the community room. There were no objections. It may be offered for sale on social media sites. The next meeting will be held Wednesday, December 27th.

The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner Walker and seconded by Commissioner Rippetoe. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Walker, yes; Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Commissioner Polk, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk

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 - A. *Approve Ordinance VA-1745: Front Yard Intrusion 207 Clover St for Construction of a Carport.*
 - B. *Approve Payment to Hydro-Kinetics for Sanitary Lift Stations Remote Monitor System in the Amount of \$11,225.22.*
 - C. *Approve Payment to Milano & Grunloh Engineers for Water Main Replacement Design Engineering in the Amount of \$13,474.03.*
 - D. *Adjourn.*

POSTED: December 22, 2023- 4:00 pm.

SARAH STEPHEN, CITY CLERK

CITY OF ALTAMONT COUNCIL MEETING
December 27, 2023

The Council of the City of Altamont met in regular session at 6:00 pm on December 27, 2023, in the Council Room of the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Mayor Dan Milleville; Commissioner Jason Rippetoe and Commissioner Terry White. Also present – Tim & Tina Barnick; Mark Hoskins, Altamont News; Lee Beckman, Milano & Grunloh Engineers; and Sarah Stephen, City Clerk. Commissioner Tayler Polk and Commissioner Mike Walker were absent.

The Omnibus Vote Agenda comprised of prior meeting minutes and payment of bills, was approved on a motion by Commissioner Rippetoe and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes. (Attachment 1)

Lee Beckman of Milano & Grunloh Engineers provided updates of projects. The water main replacement project is awaiting the grant agreement. Bidding could occur in 3-9 months. Third Street sidewalk handrail has been installed. A walk thru will be scheduled. ITEP sidewalk project field survey is complete & preliminary design work has started. He warned concrete costs have escalated since the original proposal.

Council Approved Ordinance VA-1745; Front Yard Intrusion 207 Clover St for Construction of a Carport. Commissioner Rippetoe motioned to approve with the conditions set forth in the ordinance. Commissioner White seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes. Conditions provide carport shall not include additional storage other than vehicles and shall not include shelving.

Council Approved Payment to Hydro-Kinetics for Sanitary Lift Stations Remote Monitor System in the Amount of \$11,225.22 on a motion by Commissioner White. Commissioner Rippetoe seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Council Approved Payment to Milano & Grunloh Engineers for Water Main Replacement Design Engineering in the Amount of \$13,474.03 on a motion by Commissioner White. Commissioner Rippetoe seconded. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Commissioner Rippetoe reported an outage was handled on Christmas morning, caused by a tree limb falling on lines near Union Cemetery. Electric crew will continue trimming trees.

Commissioner White reported a water main break on John Adams near Main Street was repaired. 30,000 gallons of water per day was lost.

Mayor Milleville mentioned the new parking lines in front of Kremer Pharmacy be made more prominent or the older lines be removed. He has witnessed motorists not complying with the new parking direction. Lee Beckman responded the old lines will need to be removed.

The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner Rippetoe and seconded by Commissioner White. Members voted as follows: Commissioner Rippetoe, yes; Commissioner White, yes; Mayor Milleville, yes.

Sarah Stephen, City Clerk