A MEETING OF THE OGLESBY CITY COUNCIL WAS HELD ON MONDAY, APRIL 4, 2016, AT CITY HALL. THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M.

PRESENT: COMMISSIONERS CAREY, RIVARA, YBORRA, MAYOR FINLEY, ATTORNEY JAMES ANDREONI, AND CITY CLERK CLINARD.

ABSENT: COMMISSIONER PORTER

A MOTION WAS MADE BY CAREY, SECONDED BY RIVARA to approve the meeting minutes from the March 21, 2016, meeting. AYES: CAREY, RIVARA, YBORRA, FINLEY. MOTION CARRIED.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY RIVARA, SECONDED BY YBORRA TO APPROVE THE INVOICES AS PRESENTED Elizabeth Fox, $100.00; Riverstone Group, $584.54; Illinois Valley Community College, $724.69; MJ’s Pub & Grill, $2,940.00; USPS, $737.12; Chuck Swanson, $100.00; AEA, Inc., $1,800.00; Air One Equipment, $465.00; Airgas, $111.69; Arrow International, $363.76; BHMG Engineers, $3,295.72; BSN Sports, $354.19; Carus Corporation, $966.24; Cintas, $51.88; Becky Clinard, $300.00; Communication Revolving Loan Fund, $636.15; Connecting Point, $348.25; Coventry Health Care, $1.339.87; Double M Trucking, $210.00; Dresbach Distributing, $177.80; Efficient Billing, $1,586.67; Emergency Medical Products, $1,999.49; Feece Oil, $1,109.41; Fulmers Towing, $125.00; Gallagher Materials, $2,471.52; Grainco, $138.48; Halm’s, $396.50; Hawkins, $841.00; Hy-Vee, $90.54; Il Public Risk Fund, $6,188.00; Illinois Valley Cellular, $619.02; IVCH, $65.00; JP Cooke, $366.77; Jack’s Gas, $30.00; Joan’s Trophy, $1,118.94; Terry Kamnikar, $300.00; Kelly Sauder Rupiper Equipment, $66.76; Kendrick Pest Control, $185.00; Kirby Built, $113.95;Knoblauch Advertising, $4,578.85; LaFarge Aggregates, $363.39; Landcomp Landfill, $1,207.30; Drew Ann Lee, $195.07; Mautino Distributing, $12.50; McConnaughhay & Sons, $1,130.00; Menards, $552.06; Mertel Gravel, $2,122.20; Most Dependable, $4,819.00; National Seed, $1,135.00; NCPERS, $48.00; Oglesby Elks, $1,500.00; on Deck Sports, $1,443.04; Pomp’s Tire, $165.02; Wesley Redden, $170.36; Republic Services, $18,618.50; Schimmer, Inc. $115.74; Sherwin Williams, $358.81; Springfield Electric, $132.32; Staples Credit Plan, $252.98; TEST, Inc., $50.00; Mike Ulbrich, $224.89; USA Bluebook, $989.79; Richard Watts, $20.00; Wex Fleet Services, $1,933.13; Zoll Medical, $312.41; Beal Law Office, $220.00. **Total $74,930.06**  AYES: CAREY, RIVARA, YBORRA, FINLEY. MOTION CARRIED.

The Mayor then opened the floor to the public for comments.

Larry Butkus, director of the Oglesby Municipal band, spoke to the council about his recent contact with Mayor Finley concerning this year’s schedule. Finley had asked the director to provide a schedule based on a budget of $2,000. Butkus asked the Mayor to consider either increasing the amount levied for the band or using hotel/motel taxes to avoid cutting the number of performances. Finley said that he didn’t realize that each concert was costing the city between $900 and $1,000 until he began working on this year’s budget. The city actually paid more than $1,500 more than it levied last year. Finley said that raising the band levy would mean a decrease in other areas of the budget and a cut in other city services. Finley said that Butkus had asked about taking money from the Parks fund, but Finley said he had a hard time taking money from a department that serves a large number of tax-paying families. He also pointed out that the fund could be used for things other than the municipal band, such as a portable band stand or bringing in other types of performing arts. Butkus stressed that the band was comprised of a majority of union musicians and that the 40 to 100 people attending a concert each week tended to be the community’s elderly. Commissioner Rivara asked about funding with hotel/motel taxes, but Finley said that those funds were earmarked for promotions and events such as the city’s festivals and Central States baseball tourney that promoted overnight stays in Oglesby.

Commissioners & Mayor Reports:

Commissioner Yborra told the council about a recent inspection by the IEPA at the water plant. The city was cited for failure to perform a daily chlorine residual test. Yborra said that Jim (Vohs) “was doing it now.” He also made note of the work expected to start soon on Ed Hand bridge that would close the road to through traffic for more than a year.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY CAREY, SECONDED BY RIVARA to adjourn at 7:21 p.m. AYES: CAREY, RIVARA, YBORRA, FINLEY. MEETING ADJOURNED.

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Becky Clinard, City Clerk