

CITY OF KNOXVILLE
Regular Council Meeting
Council Chambers, City Hall Annex, 33 N Public Sq, Knoxville, IL

Monday, April 21, 2025, 7:00 PM
MINUTES

Call to Order: Mayor Myers called the regular Council Meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

All rose to recite the **Pledge of Allegiance**.

Roll Call: Present: Aldermen Eiker, Gruner, Hillier, Hope, Moore, Rainey and Reed, Taylor; Mayor Myers, Treasurer Barnum, Chief Poyner, and City Clerk Wilt. **Absent:** Attorney McCoy. Also present: Ms. Barb Kirchgessner, Mrs. Jill Davis, Mr. Aaron Steele, Ms. Penny Flesner.

Public Comments: Alderman Gruner encouraged Council members to attend the Law Seminar hosted by Miller, Hall & Triggs LLC on May 10, 1025.

Approval of Minutes: Alderman **Gruner moved** to approve the Minutes of the April 7, 2025 City Council Meeting. Alderman **Hillier seconded** the motion which **passed** by voice vote with no dissent.

GENERAL REPORTS

Attorney Report: No report.

Engineer Report: No report.

Treasurer's Report: No report.

City Clerk's Report: No report.

Payment of City Bills: Alderman **Taylor moved** to approve payment of the City Bills. Alderman **Hillier seconded** the motion which **passed** with eight (8) Yes votes.

OLD BUSINESS

1. **Employee Health Insurance:** Alderman **Rainey moved** to select Gallagher Benefit Services Inc as the City's health insurance broker. Alderman **Eiker seconded** the motion, which **passed** with eight (8) Yes votes.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Library Electrical Panel Replacement:** The entire electrical panel at the Public Library is unsafe and needs replacing and upgrading. Three bids for the work were solicited, with two bids received. Alderman **Hillier moved** to contract with Mangieri Electric to replace the electrical panel in the Public Library for \$4,940.00. Alderman **Taylor seconded** the motion, which **passed** with eight (8) Yes votes.
2. **Resolution 2025-06 Hire Part Time Grounds Maintenance Worker Gary Eklund:** Alderman **Hillier moved** approve Resolution 2025-06 to hire Part Time Grounds

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Maintenance Worker Gary Eklund at \$15.00 per hour. Alderman **Gruner** **seconded** the motion, which **passed** with eight (8) Yes votes.

3. **Resolutions 2025-07 to 2025-37 Employee Compensation:** Employee compensation was discussed in closed session during the April 7, 2025 Administrative Committee Meeting. Alderman **Gruner** **moved** to approve Resolutions 2025-07 to 2025-37 Employee Compensation for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, as presented during the April 7, 2025 Administrative Committee Meeting. Alderman **Eiker** **seconded** the motion, which **passed** with eight (8) Yes votes.

Mayor's Report:

- Ameren Illinois has subcontracted out to add power poles, but has not been removing the old poles.
- No updates to the Downtown Streetscape project, other than that local concrete prices are up.
- The new backhoe is now available at Birkey's, and will be paid for and picked up in the new fiscal year.
- The water line area northwest of town is still being cleared and is about 50% completed.
- The next regularly scheduled Council meeting will be held on Monday, May 5, 2025 at 7:00 pm.

Committee Reports

- **Administration:** No report.
- **Cemetery:** No report.
- **Economic Development:** No report.
- **Parks:** No report.
- **Police:** No report.
- **Sanitation:** No report.
- **Streets:** No report.
- **Water/Sewer:** No report.

Adjourn: At 7:12 PM, Alderman **Gruner** **moved** to Adjourn the Meeting; Alderman **Hillier** **seconded** the motion, which **passed** by voice vote with no dissent. The meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by:

Leslie Wilt, City Clerk