

**ROCHELLE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, JANUARY 9, 2006**

The Rochelle City Council met in Regular Session at 7:00 p.m. on January 9, 2006 in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 420 N. 6th Street, Rochelle, IL 61068.

Present on Roll Call were Mayor Olson, Councilmembers Berg, Colwill, Hayden, Hayes, Eckhardt and Hollonbeck. Absent: None. Also present were City Manager Graff, City Attorney Cooper and City Clerk McKinney.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Councilman Hayden moved and seconded by Councilwoman Hollonbeck, "**I move the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of December 27, 2005 be approved.**" Motion passed by voice vote without dissent.

Councilwoman Hollonbeck moved and seconded by Councilman Berg, "**I move the Council accept and place on file the reports of the Planning Commission of December 19, 2005.**" Motion passed by voice vote without dissent.

BILLS & PAYROLL: Councilman Colwill moved and seconded by Councilman Eckhardt, "**I move the bills and payroll for the first half of January 2006 be allowed and paid when checked over and found correct.**" Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Councilmembers Berg, Colwill, Eckhardt, Hayden, Hayes, Hollenbeck, and Mayor Olson. Nays: None. Motion passed 7-0.

REPORTS & COMMUNICATIONS:

➤ *Mayor:* .

➤ *Council:* None.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY: None.

BUSINESS ITEMS:

1) Final Plat - Whispering Waters. Whispering Waters preliminary plat and Development Agreement were approved by the City Council on May 10th 2004. The subdivision regulations in Title 16 of the code require that a preliminary plat shall be valid for a period of one (1) year from the date of Council's approval of the plat. On June 13, 2005 the City Council received and approved a request for a six month extension to submit a final plat. A Public Meeting was held on December 19, 2005 in regard to a petition for the final plat in the B-2 Highway Commercial District, R-5 Multi-Family Residential District and R-2 Low Density Residential District. The property is located at the former Binz Stone Quarry Site. Upon completion of the public hearing the Plan Commission made a recommendation for approval of the final plat with the condition that all comments must be addressed and approved by staff prior to the release of the final plat by a vote of 6 ayes and 0 nays. Councilman moved and seconded by Councilman , "**I move the Council approve the Final Plat petition of Whispering Waters located at the former Binz Stone Quarry site of approximately 52 acres subject to staff final review before recording with County Clerk.**" Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Councilmembers Berg, Colwill, Eckhardt, Hayden, Hayes, Hollenbeck, and Mayor Olson. Nays: None. Motion passed 7-0.

2. City Manager's Report

❖ Budget Calendar - FY 2006-07. Department/Division heads will receive an instruction memo, budget forms and financial data by January 20th with a deadline for submittal to Administrative Services of February 17. The preliminary proposed FY 2006-07

budget is scheduled to be distributed to Council members by March 27th. The required public hearing on the budget is expected to be held on April 24th. State statute requires the budget to be adopted on or before April 30th. A copy of the budget calendar was provided to Council members for reference.

- ❖ Hiring of Additional Firefighter. The Fire Department has completed the necessary firefighter testing process and will proceed with the hiring of one full-time firefighter as approved by council. Once this individual has been hired, they will be introduced at a future council meeting.
- ❖ Rochelle Area Chamber of Commerce Business Expo. The Rochelle Area Chamber of Commerce Business Expo will be held on Friday, February 17 and Saturday, February 18 at the Rochelle Middle School. Friday night hours will be from 6-9pm and Saturday from 10am-2pm. Both the utilities and the building department have made plans to host a booth at this event.
- ❖ Flagg Township Historical Society Farmers Market. The Flagg Township Historical Society has submitted a request to conduct a "Farmer's Market" in the summer of 2006. The Farmer's Market would be held on Thursday afternoons from 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm during the months of June through August. The Historical Society would need to close approximately 5 to 8 city parking spaces south of the museum building to conduct the market. Council had no objection and management will approve the request.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

(A) Bond Sale Southeast Quadrant Road Improvement Project.

Attached is an outline for the bond sale for the Southeast Quadrant Road Improvement Project bond authorization and sale. I am anticipating the engineering and specifications to be ready by June with the first phase of construction to begin midsummer. At this time, we are looking at using utility and sales tax funds, along with landfill proceeds for the debt service. This is still open for discussion.

The bond proceeds are identified as a revenue item in FY 05/06 Budget in the amount of \$4,600,000:

Capital Improvement Fund – page 62, Revenues, 36-00-35000 Alternative Revenue Bonds – S.E. Quadrant \$4,600,000; Expenditures 36-00-86070, \$450,000 S.E. Quadrant (Engineering Costs).

Maps and updated engineer's estimates will be provided to council in a separate packet on Friday.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Councilman moved and seconded by Councilman , **"I move the Council recess into Executive Session to discuss Non-Union personnel performance of a specific employee,**

Collective Bargaining, Purchase or Lease of Real Estate, Sale or Lease of Real Estate - Section 2 (c) (1, 2, 5 & 6). Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Councilmembers Berg, Colwill, Eckhardt, Hayden, Hayes, Hollenbeck, and Mayor Olson. Nays: None. Motion passed 7-0. Council recessed at p.m.

At p.m., Councilman moved and seconded by Councilman , **"I move the Council return to Open Session."** Motion passed by voice vote without dissent.

ADJOURNMENT: At 8:02 p.m., Councilman Colwill moved and seconded by Councilman Eckhardt, **"I move the Council adjourn."** Motion passed by voice vote without dissent.

Bruce W. McKinney, CMC
City Clerk, City of Rochelle

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Mayor, City of Rochelle