#### ROCHELLE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES MONDAY, AUGUST 27, 2007

The Rochelle City Council met in Regular Session at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, August 27, 2007 in the Council Chambers of City Hall; 420 N. 6<sup>th</sup> Street; Rochelle, IL 61068.

Present on Roll Call were Councilmembers Hayden, Hayes, Berg, Colwill, Eckhardt and Mayor Olson. Absent: Councilwoman Hollonbeck. Also present were City Manager Alberts, City Attorney Cooper, and City Clerk McKinney.

*APPROVAL OF MINUTES:* Councilman Eckhardt moved and seconded by Councilman Colwill, "<u>I move the</u> <u>minutes of the Regular Council meeting of August 13, 2007 be approved.</u>" Motion passed by voice vote without dissent.

Moved by Councilman Hayden and seconded by Councilman Berg, <u>"I move the Council accept and place on</u> <u>file the records of the Rochelle Plan Commission meetings of July 16, 2007 and August 20, 2007."</u> Motion passed by voice vote without dissent.

*BILLS & PAYROLL:* Councilman Eckhardt moved and seconded by Councilman Colwill, "<u>I move the bills and</u> payroll for the second half of August 2007 be allowed and paid when checked over and found correct." Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Councilmembers Hayden, Hayes, Colwill, Berg, Eckhardt, and Mayor Olson. Nays: None. Motion passed 6-0.

#### **REPORTS & COMMUNICATIONS:**

- Mayor: Thanked the Heritage Festival Committee and all the many volunteers and City staff for an excellent job.
- Council Members: None

# PUBLIC COMMENTARY: None

#### BUSINESS ITEMS:

**1.** <u>Public Hearing – Annexation Agreement (Project Andrea)</u>: An annexation agreement will be required related to Project Andrea. Public notice was given that a public hearing would be held on July 23, 2007 and continued on that date until August 27, 2007. Due to the ongoing negotiations with Project Andrea it is recommended that the public hearing be continued until September 10, 2007 at which time a detailed annexation agreement is expected to be available.

Moved by Councilman Colwill and seconded by Councilman Hayden, <u>"I move the Council recess into a</u> <u>Public Hearing for the Annexation Agreement Project Andrea.</u>" Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Councilmembers Hayden, Hayes, Colwill, Berg, Eckhardt, and Mayor Olson. Nays: None. Motion passed 6-0. The City and Project Andrea will create a Development Agreement instead of an Annexation Agreement. Moved by Councilman Eckhardt and seconded by Councilman Colwill, <u>"I move the Council close the Public</u> Hearing and return to open session." Motion passed by voice vote without dissent.

2. <u>Public Hearing – CDAP Grants 01-24119, 02-24102, and 03-24112:</u> The City of Rochelle received two grants through the Community Development Assistance Program (CDAP), #01-24119 and 02-24102, in 2002 for a total of \$750,000 which provided funding to assist in the construction of water mains and sanitary sewer to the Union Pacific Global III Intermodal facility. The City of Rochelle also received a CDAP grant, #03-24112, on March 30, 2004 in the amount of \$750,000 which provided funding for the construction of water mains and sanitary sewer to the RC2 warehouse and distribution facility. The City is in the process of closing out the identified grants. The public hearing is an opportunity for the public to give input on the City's performance under the grants. Moved by Councilman Colwill and seconded by Councilman Berg, **"I move the Council recess into a Public Hearing for CDAP Grants 01-24119, 02-24102, and 03-24112."** Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Councilmembers Hayden, Hayes, Colwill, Berg, Eckhardt, and Mayor Olson. Nays: None. Motion passed 6-0. Ellen Burgeson was present to discuss the memos that the council had previously received on detailed cost and close-outs and answer any questions. There were 176 jobs created by the Intermodal. There was over \$180 million in leveraging provided by the UP. The RC2 grant (the 03 grant) created 35 jobs and over \$8 million in leveraging. No one came forward to speak. Moved by Councilman Berg and seconded by Councilman Hayden, **"I move the Council close the public hearing and return to open session."** Motion passed by voice vote without dissent.

3. MFT Project – Resolution and Bid: The 2007-08 Capital Improvement Fund includes \$185,000 for payement rehab and overlay. The roadway areas identified for maintenance this year include Caron Road from 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue south for approximately <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> mile and a portion of the Dement/Ranger Road Intersection. Due to the rapid rate of deterioration in these areas, and the availability of MFT funds, the project was expanded. The Municipal estimate submitted to IDOT for the expanded project was \$278,000. Engineering for this project was not included in the estimate as it was performed internally. Subsequent to the required public notice, bids were opened on August 15, 2007, with two contractors submitting bids. City staff have reviewed all bids and determined that the apparent low bidder, Rockford Blacktop, has met the minimum requirements of the specifications with their bid of \$299,497.93. City Engineer, Sam Tesreau recommends acceptance of the low bid from Rockford Blacktop. Sam Tesreau was present to answer questions. There are funds in Capital Improvements and ample MFT dollars available. Don Elliott, Superintendent of Street Division, was present to discuss the needed maintenance on Caron Road. Moved by Councilman Colwill and seconded by Councilman, "I move the Resolution R07-26, A Resolution for Maintenance of Streets and Highways by Municipality Under the Illinois Highway Code for Sec #07-000-00-GM, be approved." Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Councilmembers Hayden, Hayes, Colwill, Berg, Eckhardt, and Mayor Olson. Nays: None. Motion passed 6-0. Moved by Councilman Colwill and seconded by Councilman Eckhardt, "I move the Council award bid C07-10, a bid for Pavement rehab and overlay for certain streets in the City of Rochelle for \$299,497.93 to Rockford Blacktop and reject all other bids." Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Councilmembers Hayden, Hayes, Colwill, Berg, Eckhardt, and Mayor Olson. Nays: None. Motion passed 6-0.

4. Bids – Kyte River Stream Maintenance Program: A public information meeting was held on July 18, 2007 regarding the 2007-2008 Kyte River stream maintenance project. The area included in the current phase will extend from the School Avenue Bridge, south to the Union Pacific railroad bridge and from the Burlington Northern Santa Fe bridge, south to the Treatment Plant Road Bridge. The maintenance will primarily involve removal of dead brush, limbs and trees as well as other blockages in the creek. Temporary and permanent erosion control systems will be incorporated into the project with the Street Division performing the permanent erosion control. Subsequent to the required public notice, bids were opened on August 21, 2007 with two contractors submitting bids. City staff have reviewed all bids and determined that the apparent low bidder. Grover's Nursery, Landscaping and Tree, Inc. has met the minimum requirements of the specifications with their bid of \$206,118. The project is expected to begin in September and will be funded through the Stormwater Management Fund. City Engineer, Sam Tesreau recommends acceptance of the low bid from Grover's Nursery, Landscaping and Tree, Inc. Sam Tesreau was present to answer any questions. The Street Division will be doing the erosive control. Moved by Councilman Berg and seconded by Councilman Hayden, "I move the Council award bid C07-11, a bid for the 2007-2008 Kyte River Stream Maintenance Project to Grover's Nursery, Landscaping and Trees, Inc. in the amount of \$206,118 and reject all other bids." Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Councilmembers Hayden, Hayes, Colwill, Berg, Eckhardt, and Mayor Olson. Nays: None. Motion passed 6-0.

#### 5. Engineering Agreement between the City of Rochelle and Fehr-Graham - Dement Road and

**associated Utilities**: The City of Rochelle continues to proceed with development of the Rochelle Business and Technology Park which will be located between Dement Road and Interstate 39. Fehr-Graham has submitted a proposal for the engineering of the improvements of Dement Road and associated utilities. Their proposed services would include Preliminary and Final Engineering of roadway improvements, water, sanitary, and storm water infrastructure for the extension of Dement Road from its current terminus approximately 2,600 feet to the North property line of the Business and Technology Park. Fees for these engineering services would be billed on a time and material basis estimated to total \$53,700. Funds are available in the RMU budget. They are prepared to begin working on the project as soon as a Notice to Proceed is issued. Moved by Councilman Hayes and seconded by Councilman Eckhardt, <u>"I move Agreement 07-3593, An Agreement between the City of</u> <u>Rochelle and Fehr-Graham for Dement Road and Associated Utilities, be approved."</u> Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Councilmembers Hayden, Hayes, Colwill, Berg, Eckhardt, and Mayor Olson. Nays: None. Motion passed 6-0. 6. <u>Resolution Supporting Preliminary Plat Application for Ranken's Subdivision</u>: A Preliminary Plat application has been filed with the Ogle County Planning and Zoning Department by owners Robert & Sharon Ranken for a two lot subdivision located at 5543 Mulford Road. Since this location is within a mile and one-half of the City of Rochelle, the City has a right to make a recommendation on the application. The City Council reviewed a request for a map amendment at this location in September of 2006 and voted to make a positive recommendation on the requested map amendment from Ag-1 to R-2 to the Ogle County Board and Zoning Board of Appeals. Ogle County approved the zoning change at that time. Since this use conforms to the original planned use of the site, submitted in September, Chris Limas, Community Development Director recommends that the City Council make a positive recommendation on the Preliminary Plat Application for the property located at 5543 Mulford Road. Chris Limas was present to answer any questions. Moved by Councilman Hayden and seconded by Councilman Hayes, <u>"I move Resolution R07-27, A Resolution to the Ogle County Board Supporting Preliminary Plat Application for Ranken's Subdivision within 1½ miles of the City limits of Rochelle, be approved."</u> Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Councilmembers Hayden, Hayes, Colwill, Berg, Eckhardt, and Mayor Olson. Nays: None. Motion passed 6-0.

7. <u>Map Amendment for Lots 1-14 Southgate Subdivision #2 - Ogle County:</u> A petition for a Map Amendment has been filed with the Ogle County Planning and Zoning Department by Randy Day et al. The request is to rezone the properties in the Southgate Subdivision #2 Lots 1-14 from B-1 (Business) to R-2 (Residential). Since this location is within a mile and one-half of the City of Rochelle, the City has a right to make a recommendation on the application. Community Development Director, Chris Limas, found that the map amendment request is in conflict with the City's comprehensive plan for that area, which indicates business research or light industrial. Staff recommends a denial of the request be made to the Ogle County Board and Zoning Board of Appeals since the area is inconsistent with the comprehensive plan and is in an industrial growth area. Chris Limas was present to explain his recommendation. Ogle County Plan also shows commercial as well as the City showing industrial. The Council felt the city should not cause undo hardship on residents. Moved by Councilman Eckhardt and seconded by Councilman Colwill, **"I move Resolution R07-28, a Resolution approving a Map Amendment Petition of Lots 1-14 Southgate Subdivision #2 Rezoning to the Ogle County Board, be approved."** Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Councilmembers Hayden, Hayes, Colwill, Berg, Eckhardt, and Mayor Olson. Nays: None. Motion passed 6-0.

#### 8. <u>Ordinance Amending Chapter 94 of the Municipal Code to Designate Truck Routes and</u> Prohibit Use of Non-Truck Routes Resolution Establishing Class II Truck Routes within the City of

Rochelle: City Engineer, Sam Tesreau, addressed the City Council on August 13, 2007 to discuss the official designation of truck routes in the City of Rochelle. A proposed Truck Route Map was presented and council offered input on the routes, signage and ways to communicate truck routes with drivers. Currently, only a few routes in the City have been designated as Class II 80,000 lb. truck routes. The interests of public safety and the protection of infrastructure investment dictate that the City provides the trucking industry a safe and reasonable route as they travel through our community. The Official Truck Route Map that has been developed reflects staff's best effort to accomplish that objective. Modifications to the map will be made as roadways are improved in the future. Sam Tesreau summarized the map changes with an emphasis on safety and protecting city streets from being tore up. The truck route needs to go on 14<sup>th</sup> Street as Silgan needs to use docks on the north side of their building. The City Manager will meet with Silgan to identify their dock needs and the possibility of changing the dock placement. Karna and Jim Gross presented their concerns about truck traffic on 14<sup>th</sup> Street. Jim Gross stated that there are 30 children on 14<sup>th</sup> Street. Mr. Alberts said that they can't eliminate availability for trucks to get to plant but city should do everything in our power to keep this area safe. Karna Gross asked that 20<sup>th</sup> Street be used in place of 14<sup>th</sup> Street. Per Sam Tesreau, city intent is not to keep businesses from having access to truck routes but to sign into effect certain truck routes, thereby making it possible to enforce the marked routes, reducing the maintenance costs of streets and increasing safety. Once signed, the truck route map can be submitted to IDOT for inclusion on the "Locally maintained truck designation map" available on the IDOT website. Pat Burch, of Roy's Transfer was also present to make known the negative effect the new routes will have on their business. She feels that the new routes are not safe. Trucks have used Main Street from First Avenue for years and to her knowledge there has never been an accident by Lincoln school. According to Mayor Olson, there are issues with both businesses and residents and they should be presented to City staff for future reevaluation and changes. Moved by Councilman Berg and seconded by Councilman Colwill, "I move Ordinance 07-3594, an Ordinance Amending Chapter 94 of the Rochelle Municipal Code to Designate Truck Routes and Prohibit use of Non-Truck Routes by Trucks or Commercial Vehicles in Excess of 73,280 pounds, be approved." Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Councilmembers Hayden, Hayes, Colwill, and Berg. Navs: Councilmen Eckhardt and Mayor Olson. Motion passed 4-2.

City Engineer Sam Tesreau explained that it is in the City's best interest to designate certain roads and streets to a maximum load limit of 80,000 pounds. Moved by Councilman Colwill and seconded by Councilman Berg, <u>"I move Resolution R07-29, A Resolution Designating Class II (80,000-pound) Truck Routes within the City of Rochelle, be approved."</u> Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Councilmembers Hayden, Hayes, Colwill, Berg, Eckhardt, and Mayor Olson. Nays: None. Motion passed 6-0.

9. Ordinance - Final Plat Rose Rochelle Subdivision: Randall Lot II, LLC has petitioned for approval of a final plat for a three lot subdivision located on Illinois Route 251 south of Jones Road which would include a Walgreens, a bank and a detention pond. On July 16, 2007 the City of Rochelle Plan Commission reviewed the petition for final plat. The Plan Commission voted to approve the final plat for the subdivision 5-0 subject to six conditions including: addressing engineering comments to the satisfaction of staff, approval from IDOT for the IL 251 access, a landscape buffer along the southern property line, 8<sup>th</sup> Street being a private drive, stormwater maintenance agreement submitted and approved, and all required surety provided. Subsequent to the Plan Commission meeting, the final plat and site plan were revised and resubmitted to the City for review. Community Development Director, Chris Limas, believes that the revised final plat is in conformance with the preliminary plat and addresses the concerns of the Plan Commission. Mr. Limas recommends approval of the final plat subject to final engineering approval, obtaining an IDOT permit, and surety and stormwater agreement being provided. Chris Limas was present to give further details and answer any questions. Moved by Councilman Berg and seconded by Councilman Hayden, "I move Ordinance 07-3595, An Ordinance Approving the Final Plat of Subdivision for Rose Rochelle Subdivision, be approved." Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Councilmembers Hayden, Hayes, Colwill, Berg, Eckhardt, and Mayor Olson. Nays: None. Motion passed 6-0.

# 10. Ordinance Amending Article V of the Property Maintenance Code of the Municipal

**Code of Rochelle (Landscape Nuisance)**: The State of Illinois adopted Public Act 095-0183 on August 14, 2007, which allows for property maintenance by a municipality on private property. John Spurgeon, Senior Building Inspector, with consensus from Community Development Director Chris Limas, has recommended a revision to the City of Rochelle Municipal Code to incorporate the recent State amendment. This code revision will allow the City greater enforcement options for landscape nuisances, including entering the property to remove the nuisance at the owner's expense. Moved by Councilman Eckhardt and seconded by Councilman Colwill, **"I move Ordinance 07-3596, An Ordinance Amending the Property Maintenance Code, be approved."** Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Councilmembers Hayden, Hayes, Colwill, Berg, Eckhardt, and Mayor Olson. Nays: None. Motion passed 6-0.

# 11. Ordinance Authorizing Sale of Municipally Owned Real Estate 1000 North 7<sup>th</sup> Street:

The City of Rochelle owns a single family residence on a lot located at 1000 North 7<sup>th</sup> Street. The property was purchased, pursuant to an ordinance approved by City Council on May 14, 2007, so that site distance improvements could be made at the location. Upon completion of the desired improvements, the City Council passed a resolution on July 9, 2007 directing sale of the property by public auction. A site easement on the property was recorded on August 16, 2007 to prevent future site obstructions. As directed, a public auction was held on August 23, 2007 to sell the property at 1000 N 7<sup>th</sup> Street. A standard form realtor contract has been prepared by the auctioneer and reviewed by Attorney Cooper. Providing the high bid is a minimum of 80% of the appraised value of \$110,500.00 (\$88,400), council is asked to approve the sale contract between the City and purchaser. The bid that was submitted (\$62,500) did not meet the minimum (80 % of appraised value). The recommendation of management is to sell the property with sealed bids. Moved by Councilman Hayden and seconded by Councilman Colwill, **"I move the Council reject the bid of \$62,500 made at public auction."** Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Councilmembers Hayden, Hayes, Colwill, Berg, Eckhardt, and Mayor Olson. Nays: None. Motion passed 6-0.

Moved by Councilman Berg and seconded by Councilman Colwill, <u>"I move the Council direct the City</u> <u>Manager to publish notice of the City Council's proposal to sell the property at 1000 North Seventh Street</u> <u>with sealed bids to be opened at the City Council meeting on September 24, 2007.</u>" Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Councilmembers Hayden, Hayes, Colwill, Berg, Eckhardt, and Mayor Olson. Nays: None. Motion passed 6-0.

#### 12. Ordinance Annexing Territory to the City of Rochelle (138.69 Acres within Business and

**Technology Park):** The City of Rochelle has been working with property owners, Reed Harris and Corliss Baer, to develop the Rochelle Business and Technology Park. To facilitate this development, the property owners have petitioned to annex approx 140 acres along Dement Road, north of the Petro Truck Stop. The annexation petition is consistent with the comprehensive plan and Community Development Director, Chris Limas, recommended approval of the annexation. The petition for annexation of 138.69 acres was considered by the Plan Commission on July 16, 2007 and the Plan Commission voted 5-0 to recommend approval of the petition. Chris Limas was present to answer any questions. Moved by Councilman Hayes and seconded by Councilman Eckhardt, **"I move Ordinance 07-3598, An Ordinance Annexing Certain Territory to the City of Rochelle (138.69 acres within Business and Technology Park, be approved."** Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Councilmembers Hayden, Hayes, Colwill, Berg, Eckhardt, and Mayor Olson. Nays: None. Motion passed 6-0.

#### 13. Ordinance Annexing Territory to the City of Rochelle (20.33 Acres within Business and Technology

**Park):** The City Council authorized the purchase of 20.33 acres of land from GREDCO on June 25, 2007. The proposed use of part of the property purchased would be the construction of a RMU Technology Center where the electronics for the proposed Northern Illinois Technology Triangle would be located. To facilitate this construction, GREDCO and/or the City have petitioned to annex the 20.33 acres to the City of Rochelle. The annexation petition is consistent with the comprehensive plan and Community Development Director, Chris Limas, recommended approval of the annexation. The petition for annexation of 20.33 acres was considered by the Plan Commission on July 16, 2007 and the Plan Commission voted 5-0 to recommend approval. Moved by Councilman Colwill and seconded by Councilman Hayden, <u>"I move Ordinance 07-3599, An Ordinance Annexing Certain Territory to the City of Rochelle 20.33 Acres within Business and Technology Park), be approved."</u> Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Councilmembers Hayden, Hayes, Colwill, Berg, Eckhardt, and Mayor Olson. Nays: None. Motion passed 6-0.

# 14. Ordinance Amending Chapter 110 of the Municipal Code and Amending Zoning Map to

<u>Create Technology Overlay District:</u> The City Council approved a resolution on July 9, 2007 authorizing City staff to file a petition to create a Technology Overlay District. The creation of this district would restrict the uses within the Rochelle Business and Technology Park to ensure that only appropriate businesses locate in the area and regulate the design of the site and buildings. The City's Petition to create a Technology Overly District was considered by the Plan Commission on July 16, 2007. The Plan Commission voted 5-0 to recommend approval of the Technology Overlay District. Moved by Councilman Eckhardt and seconded by Councilman Berg, <u>"I move the Ordinance 07-3600, An Ordinance amending Chapter 110 of the Rochelle Municipal Code ("Zoning") and Amending Official Zoning Map of the City of Rochelle to create Technology Overlay District, be approved."</u> Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Council-members Hayden, Hayes, Colwill, Berg, Eckhardt, and Mayor Olson. Nays: None. Motion passed 6-0.

# 15. <u>Ordinance Amending Boundaries of B-2 and R-D District and Amending Zoning Map</u> (Rezoning 138.69 Acres within Business and Technology Park from R-D to B-2 with

**Technology Overlay District):** In a preceding agenda item City Council was asked to approve an annexation of 138.69 acres of property for the future development of the Rochelle Business and Technology Park. When property is annexed into the City it is given an RD zoning classification per code. Staff reviewed the comprehensive plan designation and zoning of adjacent properties for the subject properties. Based on those findings Chris Limas recommended rezoning the property to B-2 Highway Commercial District with a Technology Overlay District. At the July 16, 2007 meeting of the City of Rochelle Plan Commission a public hearing was held with regard to the petition for rezoning. Upon completion of the public hearing the Plan Commission made a recommendation for approval of the rezoning (5-0). Moved by Councilman Eckhardt and seconded by Councilman Colwill, **"I move Ordinance 07-3601, An Ordinance Amending Boundaries of B-2 and R-D Districts and Amending Official Zoning Map of the City of Rochelle (Rezoning 138.69 Acres within Business and Technology Park from R-D to B-2 with Technology Overlay District), be approved."** Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Council-members Hayden, Hayes, Colwill, Berg, Eckhardt, and Mayor Olson. Navs: None. Motion passed 6-0.

#### 16. <u>Ordinance Amending Boundaries of B-2 and R-D Districts and Amending Official Zoning Map</u> (Rezoning 20.33 Acres within Business and Technology Park from R-D to B-2 with Technology Overlay

**District):** In an earlier agenda item, council was asked to approve an annexation of 20.33 acres of property for the future development of the Rochelle Business and Technology Park. As stated previously, upon annexation into the City property is given an RD zoning classification per code. Staff reviewed the comprehensive plan designation and based on those findings Chris Limas, Community Development Director, recommended rezoning the property to B-2 Highway Commercial District with a Technology Overlay District. At their July 16, 2007 meeting the City of Rochelle Plan Commission held a public hearing with regard to the petition for rezoning and recommended approval of the rezoning (5-0). Moved by Councilman Hayden and seconded by Councilman Berg, <u>"I move Ordinance 07-3602, An Ordinance Amending Boundaries of B-2 and R-D Districts and Amending Official Zoning Map of the City of Rochelle (Rezoning 20.33 Acres within Business and Technology Park from R-D to B-2 with Technology Overlay District), be approved." Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Councilmembers Hayden, Hayes, Colwill, Berg, Eckhardt, and Mayor Olson. Nays: None. Motion passed 6-0.</u>

# 17. <u>City Manager's Report:</u>

# IDNR Grading Permit North and South of Route 38

The City of Rochelle is in receipt of a letter dated August 17, 2007 from the Illinois Department of Natural Resources which includes a permit allowing grading to begin both north and south of Route 38. The IDNR letter will be forwarded to FEMA for inclusion in their consideration of a request to lower the base flood elevation for the area.

# <u>Staff performance on recent storms:</u>

Mr. Alberts commended staff for their diligence in the recent storms in regards to keeping inlets open in order to clear streets of water, the electricity running, and health and safety issues taken care of. The City also provided 15 man-hours and a truck to assist Batavia and provided 27 man-hours and a truck to assist Geneva when these towns were without electricity as a result of the storms.

# • <u>Water tower on Caron Road:</u>

The tower on Caron Road was cleaned. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue water tower is scheduled to be cleaned.

• **<u>Prairie State groundbreaking event:</u>** Scheduled for October 1<sup>st</sup>. Council was asked to advise Sue Messer if they wish to be a part of this event.

# DISCUSSION ITEMS:

# 1. <u>NIMPA Financing and Bond Issuance:</u>

Richard Ohlinger, Utility Advisory Board Chairman, and Ken Alberts recently traveled to New York City with members of the Northern Illinois Municipal Power Agency (NIMPA) to participate in a bond sale related to NIMPA's financing of their portion of the Prairie State Power Plant. Richard Ohlinger was in attendance to describe the process and answer questions. He remarked that it is similar to the Byron Nuclear Plant bond issue. They sold the \$300-million worth of bonds, with a 10-year call-back on them.

# EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

At 9:25 pm Councilman Colwill moved and seconded by Councilman Berg, <u>"I move the Council adjourn."</u> Motion passed by voice vote without dissent.

Chet Olson Mayor, City of Rochelle Bruce McKinney, CMC City Clerk, City of Rochelle