

**URBANA CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR SESSION MINUTES – APRIL 12, 2011**

**Council President Marty Hess** called the Regular Session Meeting of the Urbana City Council to order at 7:00PM, in Court Chambers / The Municipal Building.

Attendance: Council President Hess, Mr. Bill Bean, Mr. Larry Lokai, and Mr. Steve Shaw were present; All other Councilmen (Mr. Kerry Brugger, Mr. Al Evans, Mr. Eugene Fields, and Mr. Robert Thorpe) were absent.

**\*\* LACKING A QUORUM, THE URBANA CITY COUNCIL POSTPONED ALL OFFICIAL BUSINESS UNTIL THE NEWLY SCHEDULED REGULAR SESSION MEETING ON APRIL 19, 2011.**

City Staff in Attendance: Mayor Ruth Zerkle; Mr. Bruce Evilsizor, Director of Administration; Mr. Lee Williams, Finance Director; Mr. Doug Crabill, Assistant to the Director of Administration; Mr. Chad Hall; Mr. Robert Munch; Mr. Chris Stokes (in audience); Police Chief Pat Wagner

**Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance** were conducted.

**Introduction of Guests**

Council President Hess requested (3) guests step up to the podium to introduce themselves - Ms. Amber Watkins, Ms. Lauren McCree (both Urbana University Political Science Students who came to observe a Council Meeting); and one other person (inaudible / unable to identify)

**Proclamation**

Mayor Ruth Zerkle read a Proclamation declaring April as “Parkinson’s Disease Awareness Month.”

**Other**

Council President Hess announced the City/County Meeting on Tuesday, April 19, 2011 (6:00PM – Police/Fire Training Room). A UCC Work Session and UCC Regular Session Meeting will also be conducted that evening in Court Chambers / The Municipal Building, following the City/County Meeting.

Mr. Larry Lokai asked whether anyone (in the audience) desiring to speak, could come forward.

Council President Hess granted that request.

Mr. Mike McCaulla, an ex-resident of Urbana and now returned, stated, “I called you today (Bruce), and you tried to return my call—but we need to get something done on Phoenix Drive. We’ve had 2 people lose tires (flat tires), and 1 lose a rim—those chuck holes—my Honda out there can’t even straddle some of them, and they’re not 6 inch chuck holes (we’re talking about 2 foot)! I think we’re one of the big contributors as far as the City Income Tax Roll—ORBIS Incorporated, and we need your help—before we lose a truck out there! Okay—end of my story.”

Mr. Bruce Evilsizor responded:

“Yeah uh—we were going to ask Council tonight, (to kind of) if they haven’t been out there recently to do a drive by out there, and take a look at the condition of it...but yeah—a couple years ago we had an estimate—I think it really needs to be completely redone (I guess that’s probably what the answer is). We’re looking at (probably) between \$200,000 and \$250,000...and uh, but yeah...I was going to look at maybe trying to get it onto the Work Session there to kind of start, trying to figure out how we’re going to handle that...and (you know) take care of that.”

“Jerry (I think) contacted you last year, and I had some major surgery (so I was off like 6 months), but you know he contacted...I think Brad contacted you last year about it, and those holes just keep eroding and getting bigger! That’s an issue—for people that drive the Hondas and the Toyotas...and small economic cars (especially with gas, the price it is today) it beats driving the big stuff...we just need your help,” Mr. McCaulla emphasized. “Yeah—I think that’s a classic example why we need standards (you know—construction standards),” said Mr. Evilsizor. “It wasn’t built very good 20 years ago, and I’m not sure (you know) what all happened, but it wasn’t built very good.”

Mr. McCaulla noted the numbers of trucks that utilize the area.

“But yeah—it’s a big chunk of money—but we need to get something done on it,” Mr. Evilsizor stated. “I agree—I think Council agrees too.”

Mayor Zerkle thanked Mr. McCaulla for coming to speak.

Council President Hess closed the brief Meeting at 7:07PM.

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