MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD JANUARY 15, 1974.

COUNCIL MET IN REGULAR SESSION, MAYOR MURRAY PRESIDING.

COUNCILMEN PRESENT:

HANSBRAUGH DAVIES LATURNER

KAEHLER

BANKSON

BARKER

COUNCILMEN ABSENT:

BAILEY

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS HELD DECEMBER 18, 1973, WERE PRESENTED TO THE COUNCIL FOR APPROVAL. IT WAS POINTED OUT BY COUNCILMAN LATURNER THAT THE MINUTES OF DECEMBER 18 BE AMENDED TO READ, CEREAL MALT BEVERAGE LISCENSE WAS ISSUED TO RONNIE WALTON - OPERATOR OF WALTON'S SERVICE STATION, RATHER THAN TO THAT OF SONNY WALTON. IT WAS ALSO POINTED OUT BY COUNCILMAN JAY THAT THE MINUTES OF DECEMBER 18 BE AMENDED TO CLARIFY THE CORRECT AMOUNT DUE FOR ISSUING CEREAL MALT BEVERAGE LISCENSE TO CAP BRIANT - OPERATOR OF THE HICKORY HOUSE, WHICH IS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$100. MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN BROWN AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN JAY THAT THE MINUTES BE APPROVED AS AMENDED AND PLACED ON FILE. MOTION CARRIED.

DANNY GREEN, REPRESENTATIVE FOR TRI CITY CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, WAS PRESENT AT THE MEETING. MR. GREEN READ A LETTER RELEASING THE CITY OF ANY LIABILITIES OF WORK PERFORMED BY TRI CITY CONSTRUCTION. FINAL PAYMENT TO TRI CITY WAS ALSO REQUESTED BY MR. GREEN. MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN KAEHLER AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN HANSBRAUGH THAT THE LETTER BE ACCEPTED AND THAT THE FINAL PAYMENT, WITH THE DELETION OF THE CHIP AND SEAL PORTION OF \$3688, BE MADE. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN KAEHIER AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN DAVIES THAT THE CHECK, TOTAL AMOUNT BEING \$46,730.48 BE PAID TO TRICITY AND UPON ACCEPTANCE, AND SIGNING THE CHECK, RELEASING THE CITY OF ANY FURTHER MONIES DUE FOR TRI CITY. UPON A YEA AND NAY VOTE, ONE NAY. MOTION CARRIED.

C. B. SIMMONS WAS PRESENT AT THE MEETING AND EXPLAINED THE PROGRESS BEING MADE ON THE NDP DEVELOPMENT OF LAYING LINES IN EMPIRE. DISCUSSION WAS HELD ABOUT THE PIPE ON HAND AND WHO WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PIPE IN STORAGE. THE PIPE IS PRESENTLY STORED ON THE JOSEPH LOT, FORMERLY THE CITY MARKET SQUARE. MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN BOGLE AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN LATURNER THAT BRAUN EXCAVATING BE PAID ESTIMATE #1 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ 45,372.25. THE CHECK IS TO BE RELEASED BY THE CITY CLERK AFTER WITNESSING A LAND LEASE CONTRACT BETWEEN JOSEPH AND CAVINESS CONSTRUCTION COMPANY. MOTION CARRIED.

MR. BRAUN WAS PRESENT AT THE MEETING AND DISCUSSED COPPER PRICES AS TO COMPARE WITH THE COST OF PLASTIC SERVICE LINES. THE COUNCIL INFORMED MR. BRAUN OF WHERE HE COULD RECEIVE CHEAPER PIPE THAN FORMERLY PRICED BY OTHER COMPANIES.

MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN DAVIES AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN BROWN THAT C. B. SIMMONS BE PAID \$288.16 FOR HIS ENGINEERING SERVICES TO DATE. MOTION CARRIED.

BRADIEY BALL WAS PRESENT AT THE MEETING AND REQUESTED THE 1974 BUDGET AND THE 1972 AUDIT AT THE COST OF \$1500 AND PROPOSEDD \$1500 FOR THE 1973 AUDIT AND 1975 BUDGET. MR. BALL RECOMMENDED THAT AT A LATER DATE THE BUDGET FUNDING AND BALANCING BE MADE AT THE APPROXIMATE COST OF \$75 PER MONTH. MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN BROWN AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN DAVIES THAT BRADIEY BALL'S FIRM BE GRANTED THE CONTRACT FOR 1973 AUDIT AND THE 1975 BUDGET WITH THE COST NOT TO EXCEED \$1500. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN HANSBRAUGH AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN LATURNER THAT A PAY INCREASE FOR CITY EMPLOYEES IN THE AMOUNT OF $5\frac{1}{2}\%$, BE GRANTED. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN KAEHLER AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN BARKER THAT THE METER READER, SEWER MAINTANCE MAN, LEAD MAN AND THE BIADE MAN BE GRANTED A 25¢ PER HOUR INCREASE IN ADDITION TO THE 5½% INCREASE. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN DAVIES AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN LATURNER THAT THE FOLLOWING EMPLOYEES BE GRANTED PAY INCREASE WITH THE RAISE TO INCLUDE THE 53% INCREASE:

CITY MARSHALL - CITY CLERK -- BE PAID \$675 PER MONTH NIGHT PATROLMAN AND FIRE TRUCK DRIVER -- BE PAID \$550 PER MONTH SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS -- BE PAID \$700 PER MONTH. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN BANKSON AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN KAEHLER THAT NO FURTHER PAY INCREASES BE GRANTED TO CITY EMPLOYEES UNTIL 1975. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN DAVIES AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN BANKSON THAT THREE LOO WATT STREET LIGHTS BE INSTALLED ON PECO DRIVE. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN LATURNER AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN JAY THAT THE MATTER FOR THE WALKER COMPLAINT BE TABLED UNTIL A LATER DATE DUE TO NO ONE PRESENT AT THE MEETING TO DISCUSS THE MATTER. MOTION CARRIED.

THE STOCK MARSHALL AND POLICE JUDGE'S REPORT WERE GIVEN BY COUNCILMAN BANKSON FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER. FINES FOR THE MONTH WERE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$598 WITH THE STOCK MARSHALLS FEES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7. THE MONTHLY WATER REPORT WAS GIVEN BY COUNCILMAN KAEHLER. MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN HANSBRAUGH AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN BROWN THAT THE REPORTS BE ACCEPTED AS RECORD AND PLACED ON FILE. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN KAEHLER AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN BANKSON THAT NEAL LITTLE BE TEMPORARY LEAD MAN. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN HANSBRAUGH AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN BARKER THAT EARNIE McCORKLE BE GRANTED TWO WEEKS VACATION PAY IN LIEU OF VACATION. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN BANKSON AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN DAVIES THAT CHECK #820 TO FRED REID RAMBLER, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$232.75, BE DELETED FROM ORDINANCE #715. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN BROWN AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN LATURNER THAT ORD-INANCE #715 BE APPROVED AS AMENDED. MOTION CARRIED.

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A \$10 PER DIEM ALLOWANCE, BEING RETROACTIVE, FOR JUDGE PRO TEMPORE, WAS PRESENTED TO THE COUNCIL. MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN JAY AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN HANSBRAUGH THAT THE ORDINANCE BE ADOPTED. VOTING INDICATED ONE NEGATIVE VOTE. MOTION CARRIED.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD PERTAINING TO THE MATTISON'S CLEANING THE CITY DUMP. HAROLD MCCOY EXPLAINED THAT HE WOULD SEE THAT THE JOB WAS DONE PROPERLY.

MAYOR MURRAY PRESENTED THE NAME OF EARL LECKNER FOR SCHOOL CROSSING GUARD. MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN LATURNER AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN BROWN THAT THE APPOINTMENT BE CONFIRMED. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE FOLLOWING VOTED YEA: HANSBRAUGH, LATURNER, BARKER, BANKSON, KAEHLER, DAVIES, BROWN, BOGLE AND JAY. MOTION CARRIED UNAMIDUS.

MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN BROWN AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN JAY THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED. MOTION CARRIED BY STANDING.

JAK N. MURRAY, MAYOR CHICAGO