

# Committee-of-the-Whole Minutes

Tuesday, January 8, 2013

**PRESENT:** Mayor Don Welvaert (*Chair*)  
Alderman John Knaack (*Ward 1*)  
Alderman David Parker, Jr. (*Ward 2*)  
Alderman Scott Raes (*Ward 3*)  
Alderman Ted Ronk (*Ward 4*)  
Alderman Lori Turner (*Ward 5*)  
Alderman Kevin Schoonmaker (*Ward 6*)  
Alderman Sean Liddell (*Ward 7*)  
Alderman Stephanie Acri (*Alderman At-Large*)

**STAFF:** Lew Steinbrecher, City Administrator  
Maureen Riggs, City Attorney  
Tracy Koranda, City Clerk  
Ray Forsythe, Planning & Development Director  
Alison Fleming, Human Resources Manager  
Don Goff, Database & Systems Administrator  
Bryon Lear, Library Coordinator  
Jerry Patrick, Police Captain  
Kathy Carr, Finance Director  
Jeff Anderson, City Planner  
Mike Waldron, Public Works Director  
Doug House, Municipal Services General Manager  
JD Schulte, Fleet Services Manager

**OTHERS:** Members of the Press

Mayor Welvaert called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in Council Chambers.

## Agenda Items

- 1. Acceptance of a quote from RACOM Critical Communications for the purchase of software upgrades and equipment for the consolidated Moline-East Moline public safety communications center.** Jerry Patrick, Police Captain, indicated that it has been 15 years since the initial install of the consoles and radios. The radios are past their recommended replacement date and service interruptions have occurred. The radios are also currently housed in an area that has no air conditioning or heat, and the temperature extremes contribute to their deterioration. RACOM, the sole service and equipment provider for the radio system utilized by the municipalities, provided a quote in the amount of \$299,635.11 to replace the equipment, upgrade the software and relocate the radios to a climate controlled area. Pursuant to the existing agreement between the two municipalities, Moline is responsible for 60 percent of the cost (\$179,781.07) and East Moline 40 percent (\$119,854.04). RACOM will invoice each agency separately for their share of the cost. A motion was made by Alderman Knaack to approve. Seconded by Alderman Ronk. Motion passed unanimously.
- 2. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor & City Clerk to execute Licensing Agreements for 2013 Special Events.** Tracy Koranda, City Clerk, stated that this resolution seeks to streamline the Special Events procedure and provide efficient customer service. Each individual street closure and highway permit will continue to be presented to the Council for approval. Security issues, traffic detail, insurance

requirements, and all essential licenses will continue to be reviewed and approved by the Special Events Committee. A motion was made by Alderman Knaack to approve. Seconded by Alderman Raes. Motion passed unanimously.

3. **A Special Ordinance authorizing catering of food and alcohol on City property known as the Bass Street Landing Plaza, the Historic Block Courtyard, and Parking Lot U, for 2013 Special Event approved applications.** Tracy Koranda, City Clerk, explained that State statute requires a municipality to authorize catering of food and alcohol at such events that take place on municipal property. In an effort to streamline the coordination of special events and to provide efficient customer service, staff requests this approval for 2013 Special Event approved applications. Staff will continue to approve security issues, traffic detail, insurance requirements, and all essential licenses. Additionally, permission from the Local Liquor Control Commissioner must also be sought to serve alcohol on these premises. A motion was made by Alderman Raes to approve. Seconded by Alderman Liddell. Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 6:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



*Tracy A. Koranda*  
City Clerk