

COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DIXON, ILLINOIS  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS - CITY HALL  
MONDAY, JANUARY 5, 2015  
5:30 P.M.

ROLL CALL/INVOCATION

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Burke. Commissioners Kuhn, Blackburn, Brechon, Considine and Mayor Burke answered Roll Call. The Pledge of Allegiance was cited. Rev. Dr. David Spaulding from the First Presbyterian Church gave the Invocation.

WORK SESSION – PRESENTATION BY LEE COUNTY COUNCIL ON  
AGING REGARDING THE MUNICIPAL PARKING LOT AND THE SENIOR  
CENTER PARKING

Geoff Vanderlin, LCCOA Executive Director and Tom Lawless, Chairman, Board of Directors, made a presentation to the City Council to request the City include in their 2015 budget monies designated for an engineering study to level the alley between the Post House and the Public Safety Building. Geoff advised Willett, Hofmann & Associate's cost would be \$8000-\$9000 with an additional \$2500 for plans for an upper deck. Geoff explained there are issues with safety for the senior citizens, entrance, egress, infrastructure and aesthetics. He further added that drainage is causing potholes and eroding the foundation of the building. Mayor Burke stated this entity is a tremendous resource to our community. He asked if the County would be approached for any help in funding. Geoff advised yes, if need be, but he explained LCCOA is not affiliated with the County—they are a 501C3. Commissioner Blackburn asked about any funding and Geoff stated there are grants out there and they would be approaching both public and private sectors. Commissioner Blackburn advised that the Nachusa House would also have to be contacted. Commissioner Brechon stated she likes the idea, as 17%-20% of Dixon's population is seniors. Commissioner Considine shared the same concerns as Commissioner Blackburn and added that the Nachusa House has to work with everyone here.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Blackburn moved that the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of Monday, December 15, 2014 be accepted and placed on file. Voting Yea: Commissioners Kuhn, Blackburn, Brechon, Considine and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF TOTAL LABOR & OUTSIDE CLAIMS

Commissioner Blackburn moved that the Total Labor & Outside Claims in the amount of \$627,525.48 be approved and ordered paid. Voting Yea: Commissioners Kuhn, Blackburn, Brechon, Considine and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Commissioner Kuhn went over the snow ordinance as 3-6 inches is expected tonight. Chief Langloss explained the odd/even parking for this ordinance.

Commissioner Blackburn advised that Finance Director Paula Meyer distributed the budget preparation schedule today and the first meeting with the Department Heads is scheduled for February 9<sup>th</sup>. He invited all candidates to attend this meeting. Commissioner Blackburn then congratulated Josh Albrecht for being one of ten to watch in 2015.

Commissioner Brechon wished everyone a Happy New Year.

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COUNCIL REPORTS (CONT'D.)

Commissioner Considine stated there were no fires during the "Keep the Wreath Red" campaign. He also stated we would be welcoming a new police officer tonight under Item #12-F on the agenda.

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS REPORTS

Mayor Burke reported that the Monthly Building Permit Report for December, 2014 is on file with the Clerk and available for inspection.

OPEN BIDS – SALE OF REAL ESTATE – 318 LINCOLNWAY

Mayor Burke advised there was one bid received from Sauk Valley Properties in the amount of \$5000.00. He stated this would be on the next agenda for awarding the bid.

ACCEPT BIDS & PLACE ON FILE  
SALE OF REAL ESTATE – 318 LINCOLNWAY

Commissioner Considine moved that the bid for the sale of 318 Lincolnway be accepted and placed on file until the next regularly scheduled Council Meeting of Tuesday, January 20, 2015. Voting Yea: Commissioners Kuhn, Blackburn, Brechon, Considine and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

PLACE ON FILE – CITY HALL INTERIOR IMPROVEMENTS CONTRACT  
CITY/SWEDBERG & ASSOCIATES

Commissioner Brechon moved that the City Hall Interior Improvements Contract between the City of Dixon and Swedberg & Associates be placed on file until the next regularly scheduled Council Meeting of Tuesday, January 20, 2015. Voting Yea: Commissioners Kuhn, Blackburn, Brechon, Considine and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

ORD. #2957 – REPEALING TITLE X, CHAPTER 6, SECTION 10-6-13 (TRUCKS PROHIBITED ON CERTAIN STREETS) AND TITLE X, CHAPTER 6, SECTION 10-6-14 (LIMITED LOAD STREETS) AND ESTABLISHING A NEW TITLE X, CHAPTER 16, GOVERNING THE WEIGHT AND DIMENSIONS OF VEHICLES AND ESTABLISHING A PERMITTING SYSTEM FOR OVERWEIGHT VEHICLES

Commissioner Kuhn moved that an Ordinance repealing Title X, Chapter 6, Section 10-6-13 (Trucks Prohibited on Certain Streets) and Title X, Chapter 6, Section 10-6-14 (Limited Load Streets) and Establishing a new Title X, Chapter 16, Governing the Weight and Dimensions of Vehicles and Establishing a Permitting System for Overweight Vehicles be passed. Voting Yea: Commissioners Kuhn, Blackburn, Brechon, Considine and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF RIVER STREET RECONSTRUCTION  
ENGINEERING AGREEMENT – CITY/WH&A

Commissioner Kuhn moved that the Mayor be authorized to execute the River Street Reconstruction Engineering Agreement between the City of Dixon and Willett, Hofmann & Associates. Voting Yea: Commissioners Kuhn, Blackburn, Brechon, Considine and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

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**AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF AIRPORT PERIMETER FENCE INSTALLATION  
ENGINEERING AGREEMENT – CITY/CRAWFORD, MURPHY & TILLY**

Commissioner Considine moved that the Mayor be authorized to execute the Airport Perimeter Fence Installation Engineering Agreement between the City of Dixon and Crawford, Murphy & Tilly. Voting Yea: Commissioners Kuhn, Blackburn, Brechon, Considine and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

**AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF AIRPORT RUNWAYS REHABILITATION AND  
LIGHTING ENGINEERING AGREEMENT  
CITY/CRAWFORD, MURPHY & TILLY**

Commissioner Brechon moved that the Mayor be authorized to execute the Airport Runways Rehabilitation and Lighting Engineering Agreement between the City of Dixon and Crawford, Murphy & Tilly. Voting Yea: Commissioners Kuhn, Blackburn, Brechon, Considine and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

**MOTION FOR CONSIDERATION & APPROVAL OF YEAR-END BONUSES FOR  
PERFORMANCE DURING 2013/2014 WINTER  
MIKE STICHTER, RUSTY COX AND CURT PHILLIPS**

Commissioner Brechon moved to consider and approve year-end bonuses for performance during the 2013/2014 winter for Street Superintendent Mike Stichter (\$1000), Water Superintendent Rusty Cox (\$1000) and Public Properties Superintendent Curt Phillips (\$750). Voting Yea: Commissioners Kuhn, Blackburn, Brechon, Considine and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

**PLACE ON FILE – ORD. AMENDING DIXON CITY CODE TITLE V,  
CHAPTER 13, SECTION 5-13-6**

Commissioner Blackburn moved that an Ordinance amending the Dixon City Code Title V, Chapter 13, Section 5-13-6 be placed on file until the next regularly scheduled Council Meeting of Tuesday, January 20, 2015. Discussion followed. Commissioner Blackburn advised he is not in favor of increasing the Class D licenses as businesses are struggling now. He was in favor of increasing the initial costs of liquor license applications. Mayor Burke raised the question of why do we have limits on the number of licenses. Attorney LeSage advised he does not know what the State statutes say, if anything on this issue. After no further discussion, the Mayor called for the vote. Voting Yea: Commissioners Kuhn, Brechon and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: Commissioners Blackburn and Considine. **Motion carried 3-2.**

**PET. – PRELIMINARY PLAT & FINAL PLAT  
LOT 1 AND OUTLOT 1 OF LOT 5 IN LEE COUNTY BUSINESS PARK – IPP, LLC**

Commissioner Kuhn moved that the Petition for Preliminary Plat and Final Plat of Lot 1 and Outlot 1 of Lot 5 in the Lee County Business Park, pursuant to the request of IPP, LLC be referred to the Dixon Plan Commission at their next regularly scheduled meeting. Voting Yea: Commissioners Kuhn, Blackburn, Brechon, Considine and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

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PLACE ON FILE – MEMO OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL UNDERSTANDING  
& AGREEMENT – LEE COUNTY SHERIFF/DIXON POLICE

Commissioner Considine moved that a Memo of Intergovernmental Understanding & Agreement with the Lee County Sheriff's Department and the Dixon Police Department be placed on file until the next regularly scheduled Council Meeting of Tuesday, January 20, 2015. Discussion followed. Chief Dan Langloss and Sheriff John Simonton gave a brief overview of this item, advising this will help both agencies service the public better. He stated these entities would share resources and work together, creating a regional SWAT team and deputization. After no further comments, the Mayor called for the vote. Voting Yea: Commissioners Kuhn, Blackburn, Brechon, Considine and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

RES. #2487-15 – CREATING & APPOINTING MEMBERS TO  
RIVER STREET TASK FORCE

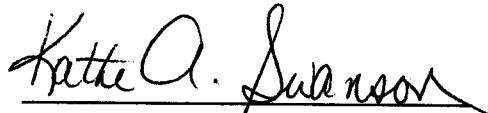
Commissioner Kuhn moved that a Resolution creating and appointing members to the River Street Task Force be adopted. Voting Yea: Commissioners Kuhn, Blackburn, Brechon, Considine and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

OATH OF OFFICE – POLICE OFFICER STEVEN D. GARRISON

Mayor Burke administered the Oath of Office to Police Officer Steven D. Garrison.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Brechon moved that the Regular Council Meeting of Monday, January 5, 2015 be adjourned to meet in Regular Session on Tuesday, January 20, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Voting Yea: Commissioners Kuhn, Blackburn, Brechon, Considine and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 6:36 p.m.

  
Kathe A. Swanson, City Clerk