

COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DIXON, ILLINOIS  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – CITY HALL  
MONDAY, JUNE 19, 2017  
5:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Arellano.

ROLL CALL/INVOCATION

Councilmen Venier, Marshall, Marx and Mayor Arellano answered Roll Call. The Pledge of Allegiance was cited. Rev. Kim from First United Methodist Church gave the invocation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilman Marshall moved to approve the minutes of the Regular and Closed Session Council Meeting of Monday, June 5, 2017. Seconded by Councilman Marx. Voting Yea: Councilman Venier, Marshall, Marx, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion carried.**

APPROVAL OF MAY 2017 YTD FININANCIAL SUMMARY

Councilman Marx moved that the year-to-date financial summary through May 31, 2017 be accepted. Seconded by Councilman Marshall. It was noted that fiscal year 2018 began May 1, 2017. Voting Yea: Councilman Venier, Marshall, Marx, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion carried.**

APPROVAL OF TOTAL LABOR AND OUTSIDE CLAIMS

Councilman Venier moved that the total labor and outside claims in the amount of \$192,773.19 be approved and ordered paid. Seconded by Councilman Marx. Councilman Venier asked if the \$10,000 was taken from the band fund. Finance Director Paula Meyer stated it came from general funds. Voting Yea: Councilman Venier, Marshall, Marx, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion carried.**

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

**Chief Langloss** said that he attended the State of Illinois' Mental Health Committee hearing which met today in Dixon. He testified about Dixon's programs and the community approach. This is the first of many hearings which will help with treatment, solutions, and funding. Chief Langloss also mentioned that Officer Brauman retired recently after working 20 years for the City.

**Finance Director Paula Meyer** said that the City received a letter from IDOT stating that the state will not be paying the City for projects since there is not a state budget. This will impact MFT funds, funds for maintaining state roads, funds for traffic signals and

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possibly gambling funds. She mentioned that last time this happened the City did receive all funds owed to them at a later time. She is working on receiving payment for the Galena Bridge railing project and the Courthouse retaining wall project since these agreements were signed well before July 1, 2017.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager O'Donnell went through the timeline of the goal making session which will involve staff and Council Members. He also mentioned that the Staff Retreat is August 18<sup>th</sup> and may be held at Sauk Valley Community College. He also stated that the boat docks are in, staff is working on removing trees in the rip rap area, an IMRF audit is taking place, the annual audit will take place the week of July 10, a full time position will be posted shortly, reasonable suspicion training is being held, and Staff is working with ShopKo property owners in regards to the installation of sidewalks.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Mayor Arellano – Thanked Officer Brauman for his years of service with the City. He also thanked the crew who put in the boat docks. He mentioned that the City has some projects that will be completed by volunteers during the United Way Day of Caring. The DIMCO property has been inspected and the City is awaiting the reports.

Councilman Venier – Thanked Matt Moeller and Matt Huyett for putting in an AC unit for a citizen in need. He mentioned that the festival this past weekend went well. The festival raises funds to put the petunia baskets around town. He also asked the Council to consider thank you for visiting signage.

Councilman Marshall – Said he is looking forward to the Petunia Festival and thanked everyone who is involved in the planning of the festival.

Councilman Marx – He was very impressed that the Substance Abuse Committee. He also mentioned that he attended the City's insurance committee and appreciated the engagement and enthusiasm of the members.

BOARD & COMMISSIONS REPORTS

Mayor Arellano reported that the Library Board minutes and the Airport Board Minutes are on file with the Clerk and available for inspection.

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ORDINANCE #3046 – AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF CERTAIN PERSONAL  
PROPERTY OWNED BY THE CITY OF DIXON (CELL PHONE)

Councilman Marshall moved to approve an Ordinance authorizing the sale of certain personal property (cell phones). Seconded by Councilman Venier. Voting Yea: Councilman Venier, Marshall, Marx, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion carried.**

ORDINANCE # 3047 – VACATING A PORTION OF THE PUBLIC ALLEY  
PURSUANT TO THE REQUEST OF KENDALL & RUBY MOSER

Councilman Marx moved to approve an ordinance vacating a portion of the public alley pursuant to the request of Kendall and Ruby Moser. Seconded by Councilman Marshall. Voting Yea: Councilman Venier, Marshall, Marx, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion carried.**

ORDINANCE # 3048 – VACATING A PORTION OF THE PUBLIC ALLEY  
PURSUANT TO THE REQUEST OF RUSSELL & JUDITH CASTLE

Councilman Venier moved to approve an ordinance vacating a portion of the public alley pursuant to the request of Russell & Judith Castle. Seconded by Councilman Marshall. Voting Yea: Councilman Venier, Marshall, Marx, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion carried.**

ORDINANCE # 3049 – VACATING A PORTION OF THE PUBLIC ALLEY  
PURSUANT TO THE REQUEST OF CAROL BEARDIN

Councilman Mashall moved to approve an ordinance vacating a portion of the public alley pursuant to the request of Carol Beardin. Seconded by Councilman Marx. Voting Yea: Councilman Venier, Marshall, Marx, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion carried.**

ORDINANCE # 3050 – VACATING A PORTION OF THE PUBLIC ALLEY  
PURSUANT TO THE REQUEST OF STEVEN & CONNIE ACREE

Councilman Marx moved to approve an ordinance vacating a portion of the public alley pursuant to the request of Steven & Connie Acree. Seconded by Councilman Venier. Voting Yea: Councilman Venier, Marshall, Marx, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion carried.**

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ORDINANCE # 3051 – VACATING A PORTION OF THE PUBLIC ALLEY  
PURSUANT TO THE REQUEST OF FRANK HOWELL, JR. AND GARY HOWELL

Councilman Venier moved to approve an ordinance vacating a portion of the public alley pursuant to the request of Frank Howell, Jr. and Gary Howell. Seconded by Councilman Marx. City Attorney LeSage said this ordinance replaces ordinance #3044. Frank Howell, Jr. needed to be added to the ordinance. Voting Yea: Councilman Venier, Marshall, Marx, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion carried.**

RESOLUTION #2594-17 – AUTHORIZING APPLICATION OF SETTLEMENT  
PROCEEDS

Councilman Marshall moved to approve a resolution authorizing application of settlement proceeds for the Depot Avenue project. Seconded by Councilman Marx. Finance Director Meyer reviewed the process of this resolution and said it is done to create transparency. Voting Yea: Councilman Venier, Marshall, Marx, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion carried.**

RESOLUTION AMENDING THE WAGE AND SALARY POLICY

Councilman Marshall moved to table the resolution amending the wage and salary policy. Seconded by Councilman Venier. Voting Yea: Councilman Venier, Marshall, Marx, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion carried.**

RESOLUTION #2595-17 – AUTHORIZING USE OF MFT FUNDS

Councilman Marx moved to approve the resolution for the maintenance of streets and highways by municipality under the Illinois Highway Code subject to the availability of MFT funds. Seconded by Councilman Marshall. City Manager O'Donnell said the City will not run MFT to a negative balance and will not move forward with the project until MFT funds are received. Discussion ensued with respect to the video detection system. Voting Yea: Councilman Venier, Marshall, Marx, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion carried.**

MOU WITH WILLETT HOFFMAN IN REGARDS TO RIVER ST AND RIVER RD  
WATER MAIN PROJECTS

Councilman Venier moved to approve the MOU with Willett Hoffman & Associates in regards to the River St. and River Rd. water main projects. Seconded by Councilman Marshall. City Attorney LeSage said his law firm has reviewed the MOU and recommends its approval. Voting Yea: Councilman Venier, Marshall, Marx, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion carried.**

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilman Marshall moved that the Regular Council Meeting of Monday, June 19, 2017 meet in Executive Session to consider the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees pursuant to Section 2(c)(5) of the Open Meetings Act, and to consider pending or imminent litigation pursuant to Section 2(c)(4) of the Open Meetings Act. Seconded by Councilman Venier. Voting Yea: Councilman Venier, Marshall, Marx, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion carried.**

RECOVENE MEETING

Councilman Venier moved that the Regular Council meeting of Monday, June 19, 2017, reconvene into open session. Seconded by Councilman Marshall. Voting Yea: Councilman Venier, Marshall, Marx, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion carried.**

City Attorney LeSage gave an update on the agreement with Dixon Chamber & Main Street. He met with a couple of the board members and made some minor changes. If the board agrees with the changes, the agreement will be on the agenda for the July 5<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Councilman Venier said that a press release will be held this Thursday or Friday announcing the CEO of Dixon Chamber & Main Street.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Venier moved that the Regular Council Meeting of Monday, June 19, 2017, be adjourned to meet in Regular Session on Wednesday, July 5, 2017, at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Seconded by Councilman Marshall. Voting Yea: Councilman Venier, Marshall, Marx, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion carried.** The meeting adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

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Becky Fredericks, City Clerk