

COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DIXON, ILLINOIS
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – CITY HALL
MONDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2017
5:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Arellano.

ROLL CALL/INVOCATION

Councilmen Marshall, Marx, Venier, Considine, and Mayor Arellano answered Roll Call. The Pledge of Allegiance was cited. Rev Mary Ann Rhodes from St. Luke Episcopal Church gave the invocation.

SWEARING IN OF POLICE STAFF

Mayor Arellano issued the oath of office to Officer Cassandra Barnes.

ORD. # 3072 – AMENDING ORDINANCE # 2984 & LEE OGLE ENTERPRISE ZONE

Councilman Marshall moved to approve the ordinance amending Ordinance #2984 and Lee Ogle Enterprise Zone descriptions for recording. Seconded by Councilman Marx. Andy Shaw stated the State Department of Commerce wanted a better legal description causing the ordinance to be amended. Voting Yea: Councilman Marshall, Marx, Venier, Considine, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion carried.**

WORK SESSION – COUNCIL PRIORITIES FOR THE BUDGET

Finance Director Paula Meyer asked the Council for their budget priorities for the next fiscal year. Christmas Decorations, streets, signage, and economic development were discussed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilman Marx moved to approve the regular minutes of the Regular Session Council meeting of Monday December 4, 2017. Seconded by Councilman Considine. . Voting Yea: Councilman Marshall, Marx, Venier, Considine, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion carried.**

YEAR TO DATE FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Councilman Considine moved that the year-to-date financial summary through November 30, 2017, be accepted. Seconded by Councilman Marshall. . Voting Yea: Councilman Marshall, Marx, Venier, Considine, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion carried.**

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APPROVAL OF TOTAL LABOR AND OUTSIDE CLAIMS

Councilman Venier moved that the total labor and outside claims in the amount of \$1,005,447.56 be approved and ordered paid. Seconded by Councilman Considine. Discussion ensued with respect to the vactor truck purchase. . Voting Yea: Councilman Marshall, Marx, Considine, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. Abstain: Councilman Venier. **Motion carried.**

CITY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager Langloss thanked Councilman Considine for making City Hall more festive. Discussed the recent positions that have been posted and filled. Mentioned there is another meeting with Willet Hoffman with respect to the City Hall remodel. Shared that he was a keynote speaker at the PARI Conference.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Mayor Arellano – Congratulated Matt Huyett and Cameron Magne on their recent promotions in the water department. Discussed winter on-call within the water department.

Councilman Marshall – The new garbage cans are being rolled out. Wished all a Merry Christmas.

Councilman Marx – Welcomed the new leaders to the water department. Stated the decorations looked nice. Mentioned that the Health Insurance was changing January 1 for City employees and thanked the Insurance Committee for their work.

Councilman Venier – Merry Christmas! Keep up the good work and Happy New year.

Councilman Considine – He is gratified to see and integrated Public Works Department. Wished all a Merry Christmas.

BOARD & COMMISSIONS REPORTS

Mayor Arellano reported that the Airport Board Minutes were available for inspection and on file at City Hall.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Margaret Tyne, of The Next Picture Show, discussed the need of a special Liquor License for their entity. They would like to see a license specific to non-profit organization. Discussion ensued.

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PROPERTY, LIABILITY, WORK COMP INSURANCE

City Manager Langloss reviewed the process, qualifications, and costs of the bids received. He reviewed differences between IML and ICMRT. He also discussed the references he received for ICMRT. Discussion ensued. Blaine Kurth, from IML, stated what they could do for the City. Councilman Marshall moved to approve a contract between the City of Dixon and ICRMT for Liability and Compensation insurance commencing January 1, 2018. Seconded by Councilman Venier. Voting Yea: Councilman Marshall, Marx, Venier, and Considine. Voting Nay: Mayor Arellano. **Motion carried.**

ORDINANCE # 3073 – ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER

Councilman Marx moved to approve an ordinance creating the position of Assistant City Manager. Seconded by Councilman Marshall. City Manager Langloss stated this position is to identify a chain of command and could only be chosen from the Public Works Director, Fire Chief, Police chief, or Finance Director. A lengthy discussion ensued. Voting Yea: Councilman Marshall, Marx, Venier, and Considine. Voting Nay: Mayor Arellano. **Motion carried.**

ORDINANCE # 3074 – SALE OF CERTAIN PROPERTY

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

ORDINANCE # 3074 – DISPOSAL OF CERTAIN PROPERTY

Councilman Venier moved to approve the disposal of personal property, outdated computer equipment. Seconded by Councilman Considine. Voting Yea: Councilman Marshall, Marx, Venier, Considine, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion carried.**

LIQUOR ESTABLISHMENTS – CHRISTMAS EVE & NEW YEAR'S EVE

Councilman Marx moved to authorize the Liquor Commission authority to grant permits at \$25 each, allowing Sunday liquor sales to any holder of Class A, B, C, or D City of Dixon liquor licenses valid only on December 24, 2017 and December 31, 2017. Seconded by Councilman Considine. Mayor Arellano stated several liquor license holders only have Monday – Saturday licenses and have requested to be open these two Sundays. Voting Yea: Councilman Marx, Considine, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: Councilman Venier. Abstained: Councilman Marshall. **Motion carried.**

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DIXON MUNICIPAL AIRPORT SOLAR FARM

Cenergy Power is interested in developing a solar farm at the Dixon airport. They are looking at two different 10 acre sites. Public Works Director Matt Heckman asked the Council if this was something he should pursue. Discussion ensued. The consensus of the Council was to have Staff pursue this option and bring more information back to them.

APPOINTMENT OF MUNICIPAL BAND DIRECTOR

Councilman Considine moved to approve the appointment of Mark Dempsey as Dixon Municipal Band Director for the remainder of the fiscal year ending April 30, 2018. Seconded by Councilman Venier. Voting Yea: Councilman Marshall, Marx, Venier, Considine, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion carried.**

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilman Marx moved that the Special Council Meeting of Monday, December 18, 2017 meet in Executive session to consider the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees pursuant to Section 2(c)(1) of the Open Meetings Act and to consider the purchase or lease of real estate for use by the City pursuant to Section 2(c)(5) of the Open Meetings Act. . Seconded by Councilman Marshall. Voting Yea: Councilman Marshall, Marx, Considine, Venier and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Carried.**

RECONVENE MEETING

Councilman Venier moved that the Regular Council Meeting of Monday, December 18, 2017, reconvene into Open Session. Seconded by Councilman Marshall. Voting Yea: Councilman Marshall, Marx, Venier, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Councilman Considine **Motion carried.**

ADJOURMENT

Councilman Marshall moved that the Regular Council Meeting of Monday, December 18, 2017 be adjourned to meet in Regular Session on Tuesday, January 2, 2018 at 5:30 pm in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Seconded by Councilman Venier. Voting Yea: Councilman Marshall, Marx, Venier, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Councilman Considine **Motion carried.**

The meeting adjourned at 10:42 pm.