

COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DIXON, ILLINOIS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS - CITY HALL
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2008
6:30 P.M.

ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Burke. Commissioners Bridgeman, Contreras, Kelly, Blackburn and Mayor Burke answered Roll Call. The Pledge of Allegiance was cited. Reverend Steve Young gave the Invocation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Contreras moved that the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of Monday, August 18, 2008 and the minutes of the Special Council Meeting of Monday, August 25, 2008 be accepted and placed on file. Voting Yea: Commissioners Bridgeman, Contreras, Kelly, Blackburn and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF TOTAL LABOR & OUTSIDE CLAIMS

Commissioner Bridgeman moved that the Total Labor & Outside Claims in the amount of \$1,814,810.68 be approved and ordered paid. Voting Yea: Commissioners Bridgeman, Contreras, Kelly, Blackburn and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Commissioner Kelly advised everyone to mark their calendars for June 21, 2009, as the Military Caravan will tour the Lincoln Highway.

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS REPORTS

Mayor Burke reported the Monthly Building Permit Report of August, 2008 is on file with the Clerk and available for inspection.

VISITORS

Dave Bowers addressed the Council on Ordinance #2710 which was previously approved to request that a sentence be removed from Page 2 to allow a structure to be built on this vacated property. Attorney Branson stated this language is contained in all vacation ordinances due to if the City ever needs the property back and/or condemns it; there would be a structure on it. He further advised this ordinance could be amended if the consensus of the Council is to do so. Attorney Branson was then given the approval of the Council to amend Ord. #2710 at the next meeting to suit this particular situation.

Dennis Bulfer, 211 Monroe Avenue, approached the Council regarding congestion of traffic and a lack of a school bus stop sign at the corners of Highland and 2nd and Highland and 3rd. He advised these crosswalks need to be marked at all four corners. Mayor Burke advised that Main Street is currently marking corners now and this committee could include these crosswalks. Commissioner Contreras commented that Police Chief Langloss was currently looking at this situation. Chief Langloss then advised that the 2nd/Highland crosswalk is being done by next month and the other one in question will be looked at also but the department is down to one employee in Traffic Maintenance at this time. Mayor Burke lastly thanked Mr. Bulfer for being a good citizen.

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AWARD BID – OAKWOOD CEMETERY ROADS MAINTENANCE PROJECT

Commissioner Kelly moved that the bid for the Oakwood Cemetery Roads Maintenance Project be awarded to UC Paving, Inc., Peru, Illinois for their low bid in the amount of \$110,040.00. Voting Yea: Commissioners Bridgeman, Contreras, Kelly, Blackburn and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

PLACE ON FILE – ORD. AMENDING ORD. #2709 –
AUTHORIZING AMENDMENT TO AN AGREEMENT FOR PURCHASE OF
CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY

Commissioner Contreras moved that an Ordinance amending Ordinance #2709 authorizing an amendment to an agreement for the purchase of certain real property be placed on file until the next regularly scheduled Council Meeting of Monday, September 15, 2008. Voting Yea: Commissioners Bridgeman, Contreras, Kelly and Blackburn. Voting Nay: None. Abstaining: Mayor Burke. Motion carried.

PRESENTATION – AIRPORT PROJECTS
CRAWFORD, MURPHY & TILLY, INC.

Ray Neisewander, 468 Timberland Drive, approached the Council on behalf of the Airport Board and stated he and other Airport Board members, Al Hill and Joey Frey, were in attendance tonight to support the presentation by Dan Pate, of Crawford, Murphy & Tilly.

Mr. Pate gave an overview of the Airport's past accomplishments and future projects and goals. He advised there will be a development of new GPS approach, a weather observation system, the possibility of a new runway #8-26, which would be 5500' x 100', dependent upon the acquisition of additional land, partial removal of the old runway, and then construction. He then stated this would require the funding of \$500,000 from the City. Mayor Burke then got confirmation from Mr. Pate that this is a recommendation being brought in front of the Council. Al Hill spoke and advised this project would show the Council what would be possible with 97% of it state and federal funded. Mr. Hill then advised the Board is trying to move the Dixon Airport into the next century with these updates, as well as bringing more businesses to the area. Commissioner Bridgeman then questioned if the land acquisition is included in the \$15 million figure. Mr. Pate advised yes. Commissioner Blackburn stated he has read their board minutes and asked if there is the certainty of the land acquisition. Mr. Hill stated the landowner wants the Board members to meet with her children. Lastly, Mayor Burke requested that the entire Council be provided with a packet of this presentation for their review.

PLACE ON FILE – CONSTRUCTION PHASE ENGINEERING AGREEMENT
DIXON AIRPORT RUNWAY 12-30

Commissioner Blackburn moved that the Proposed Construction Phase Engineering Agreement between the City of Dixon and Crawford, Murphy & Tilly, Inc. for construction, repair and overlay portions of Runway 12-30 be placed on file until the next regularly scheduled Council Meeting of Monday, September 15, 2008. Voting Yea: Commissioners Bridgeman, Contreras, Kelly, Blackburn and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

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RES. #2233-08 – AUTHORIZE SISTER CITY AGREEMENT

Commissioner Kelly moved that a Resolution authorizing a Sister City Agreement be adopted. Voting Yea: Commissioners Bridgeman, Contreras, Kelly, Blackburn and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

RES. #2234-08 – CONFIRMING APPOINTMENT
WINGS OF PEACE COMMISSION

Commissioner Contreras moved that a Resolution confirming the appointment of John Weitzel to the Wings of Peace Commission for a term commencing September 2, 2008 and ending August 31, 2010, or until his successor is duly appointed and qualified, be adopted. Voting Yea: Commissioners Bridgeman, Contreras, Kelly, Blackburn and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

RES. #2235-08 – CONFIRMING APPOINTMENTS
TREE BOARD

Commissioner Blackburn moved that a Resolution confirming the appointments of Heather Gieseke and Kate Nehring to the Tree Board for terms commencing September 2, 2008 and ending August 31, 2009, or until their successors are duly appointed and qualified, be adopted. Voting Yea: Commissioners Bridgeman, Contreras, Kelly, Blackburn and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

RES. #2236-08 – CONFIRMING APPOINTMENT
VETERANS MEMORIAL COMMISSION

Commissioner Kelly moved that a Resolution confirming the appointment of Frank Nagy to the Veterans Memorial Commission for a term commencing September 2, 2008 and ending August 31, 2010, or until his successor is duly appointed and qualified, be adopted. Voting Yea: Commissioners Bridgeman, Contreras, Kelly, Blackburn and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

RES. #2237-08 – CONFIRMING APPOINTMENTS
TOURISM DEVELOPMENT BOARD

Commissioner Blackburn moved that a Resolution confirming the appointments of Marilyn Trulock, Lu Burke, Lance Schaefer, Patricia Lee and Darian Trainer to the Tourism Development Board for terms commencing September 2, 2008 and ending August 31, 2010, or until their successors are duly appointed and qualified, be adopted. Voting Yea: Commissioners Bridgeman, Contreras, Kelly, Blackburn and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

OATH OF OFFICE – CHRISTOPHER L. COX

Mayor Burke issued the Oath of Office to Dixon Police Officer Christopher L. Cox.

RES. #2238-08 – ACKNOWLEDGING SERVICE OF
DANETTE DALLGAS-FREY

Commissioner Blackburn moved that a Resolution acknowledging the service of Danette Dallgas-Frey be adopted. Voting Yea: Commissioners Bridgeman, Contreras, Kelly, Blackburn and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

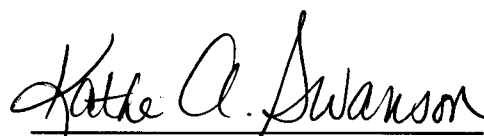
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PROCLAMATION – “MARINE CORP LEAGUE WEEK”

Mayor Burke proclaimed the week of September 1, 2008 as “Marine Corp League Week” in the City of Dixon.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Bridgeman moved that the Regular Council Meeting of Tuesday, September 2, 2008 be adjourned to meet in Regular Session on Monday, September 15, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Voting Yea: Commissioners Bridgeman, Contreras, Kelly, Blackburn and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.


Kathe A. Swanson, City Clerk