

COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DIXON, ILLINOIS  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – CITY HALL  
WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 25, 2017  
8:00 A.M.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Arellano.

ROLL CALL

Councilmen Considine, Marshall, Marx, Venier, and Mayor Arellano answered Roll Call. The Pledge of Allegiance was cited.

120 DAY EXTENTIONSION OF REAL ESTATE PURCHASE

City Attorney Rob LeSage said that the City currently has contracts with the Dixon Iron & Metal property and the William Pitchford property. The City has a due diligence period which expires November 3, 2017. He has spoken with the attorneys representing the properties and they have given the city a 120 day extension which is more time for due diligence. Councilman Marshall moved to authorize Mayor Arellano to enter into a 120 day extension of the real estate purchase contracts between the City of Dixon and Dixon Iron & Metal and the City of Dixon and William Pitchford. Seconded by Councilman Marx. Voting Yea: Councilman Considine, Marshall, Marx, Venier and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion carried.**

APPROVAL OF DANNY D. LANGLOSS, JR. AS CITY MANAGER

Councilman Marx said that hiring a City Manager is one of the most important jobs of the Council. The screening committee presented the Council with two candidates, one of which was Danny. We saw great work from him while being the Interim City Manager. He supports Danny as City Manager.

Councilman Marshall commented that Danny did a great job as Interim City Manager and let's keep moving forward.

Councilman Venier stated that the direction of our City has moved in a positive way. He is a proven leader and is very Dixon specific. We can put immediate traction on the ground with this hire. It was a very thorough process which led to his hiring.

Councilman Considine said he is in complete support of Danny Langloss. It has been a great honor to work with him. His biggest concern was morale and attitudes of employees and he has seen a change since Danny became the Interim City Manager.

Mayor Arellano mentioned that he has a difference of opinion with the Council but went on to say that Danny has done a good job as Interim and will vote to support Danny.

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Councilman Marx moved to approve Danny D. Langloss, Jr. as City manager of the City of Dixon. Seconded by Councilman Marshall. Voting Yea: Councilman Considine, Marshall, Marx, Venier and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion carried.**

APPROVAL OF CITY MANAGER EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

Councilman Marx again said that he is in support of Danny Langloss as City Manager but has an issue with the residency requirement. Currently, Langloss lives in this City, he is active in the community and should continue to live in the City going forward. The City Manager should live by the same rules as the Citizens. He will support Danny as City Manager but will vote no because of the residency issue.

Councilman Marshall commented that he is holding the same spot as he has held from the beginning. Residency within the region is sufficient. He has never had an issue with residency.

Councilman Venier said that Danny Langloss' longevity in the City as well as his community involvement has made this an easy decision. He thanked Attorney LeSage for his work with this contract.

Councilman Considine stated that he is 100% in agreement with the contract. We have a good product. He went on to say that he has been a staunch City limits person until he found out that many of the City Managers in Illinois do not live within their community. Danny Langloss is already a proven leader.

Mayor Arellano said that he believes the City Manager should live under the statutes set by Council. He also didn't agree with the 2% automatic raises since it doesn't give the City the capability to freeze wages if needed. He didn't like that they were building something that no Mayor or Council could change without the consent of the employee. He will be voting no.

Councilman Considine moved to approve the City Manager Employment Agreement between the City of Dixon and Danny D. Langloss, Jr. Seconded by Councilman Venier. Voting Yea: Councilman Considine, Marshall, and Venier. Voting Nay: Councilman Marx and Mayor Arellano. **Motion carried.**

ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Marx moved that the Special Council Meeting of Wednesday, October 25, 2017, be adjourned to meet in Regular Session on Monday, November 6, 2017, at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Seconded by Councilman Marshall. Voting

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Yea: Councilman Marshall, Marx, Considine, Venier, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay:  
None. **Motion Carried.**

The Meeting adjourned at 8:26 am.

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Becky Fredericks, City Clerk