

COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DIXON, ILLINOIS  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – CITY HALL  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
MONDAY, JANUARY 7, 2019  
5:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Arellano at 5:30pm.

ROLL CALL

Councilman Considine, Marshall, Marx, Venier, and Mayor Arellano answered Roll Call. The Pledge of Allegiance was cited, invocation was given by Reverend Andy Minch, Sauk Valley Community Church.

OATH OF OFFICES

Chief Shipman gave a brief background on Firefighter Joshua Shipman. Mayor Arellano gave the firefighter Oath of Office. Firefighter Shipman was given a round of applause. A pinning ceremony was performed. Shipman introduced his family and pictures were taken.

Chief Howell gave a brief background on Police Officer Edward Ackert. Mayor Arellano gave the officer Oath of Office. Officer Ackert was given a round of applause. Ackert introduced his family and pictures were taken.

Chief Howell gave a brief background on Police Officer Carlos Farias. Mayor Arellano gave the officer Oath of Office. Officer Ackert was given a round of applause. Farias introduced his family and pictures were taken.

BRIEF RECESS

Mayor gave a brief recess for the audience and family members to exit the meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Mayor Arellano stated there was a scout in the audience here to earn his Citizenship Merit Badge. He moved some of the items up in the agenda.

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-MOVED UP IN THE MEETING-  
REFER PETITION FROM HVARRE PROPERTY, LLC. FOR  
APPROVAL OF REVISED PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT  
TO THE PLAN COMMISSION

Councilman Venier moved to refer the Petition from Hvarre Property, LLC., with respect to revised planned unit development to the Planning Commission in accordance with the City's process for reviewing text amendments to the zoning ordinance. Seconded by Councilman Considine. Discussion ensued regarding this is a matter of process to refer the petition. Voting Yea: Councilman Considine, Marshall, Marx, Venier, and Mayor Arellano. **Motion Carried.**

-MOVED UP IN THE MEETING-  
RES #2652-19 – TOLLWAY AUTHORITY ALLOWING SIGNAGE I-88 EXIT

Councilman Marshall moved to approve the Resolution requesting retail signage along I-88. Seconded by Councilman Marx. Mayor gave a background on the resolution, discussion ensued. Voting Yea: Councilman Considine, Marshall, Marx, Venier, and Mayor Arellano. **Motion Carried.**

WORK SESSION  
NONE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilman Marx moved that the minutes of the Special Session Council Meeting of Thursday, December 13, 2018 and the Regular Session and Executive Session Council Meeting of Monday, December 17, 2018, be accepted and placed on file. Seconded by Councilman Marx. Voting Yea: Councilman Considine, Marshall, Marx, Venier, and Mayor Arellano. **Motion Carried.**

APPROVAL OF TOTAL LABOR AND OUTSIDE CLAIMS

Councilman Considine moved that the total labor and outside claims in the amount of \$776,713.25 be approved and ordered paid. Seconded by Councilman Venier. Voting Yea: Councilman Considine, Marshall, Marx, Venier, and Mayor Arellano. **Motion Carried.**

DEPARTMENT REPORTS  
NONE

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CITY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager Langloss would like to get a group of business owners/citizens together to discuss the parking issues downtown and bean blossom parking lot. Discussion ensued with the council. He would like to designate \$100,000 to the splash pad, and will be looking for \$100,000 in donations, to be added with the \$200,000 anonymous donation and \$100,000 from the Park District for the \$500,000 project. Discussion ensued regarding where money will be coming from, and consensus seemed in favor of it coming from recovery funds due to it bettering the community. He will be bringing a formal vote to the council.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Mayor Arellano – Happy New Year. He is impressed with the Plan Commission on their great job looking into the Solar Ordinance. He spoke about a portion of the contract with Republic regarding electronics recycling. Doing a test soil/grass for the old petunia beds along the roads. Spoke about the Sales Tax Trend mostly increasing and comparing other communities. Annexation plans to identify random spots that are surrounded by city limits. Marketing City employment within our community. Energy bills that the City pays and how solar may offset the cost.

Councilman Considine – None

Councilman Marshall – Talked regarding updating the website, mainly the economic development page. Discussion ensued.

Councilman Marx – None.

Councilman Venier – Introduced the scout in the audience Diego O. with Troop 85 and why he was attending the meeting.

BOARD & COMMISSIONS REPORTS

None

VISITORS/PUBLIC COMMENT

None

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ORD #3121 – AMENDING THE CITY OF DIXON ZONING ORDINANCE FOR  
THE REGULATION OF SOLAR ENERGY

Councilman Venier moved to approve the Ordinance amending the City of Dixon Zoning Ordinance for the Regulation of Solar Energy Systems. Seconded by Councilman Considine. Discussion – approved unanimously by the Plan Commission. Voting Yea: Councilman Considine, Marshall, Marx, Venier, and Mayor Arellano. **Motion Carried.**

STRIKED – AUTHORIZING SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY-2005 DODGE RAM

AUTHORIZE CITY ATTORNEY TO FILE NOT FOR PROFIT ARTICLES OF  
INCORPORATION FOR DIXON HISTORIC THEATRE GROUP

Councilman Marshall moved to authorize the City Attorney to file not for profit articles of incorporation for the Dixon Historic Theatre Group with the Illinois Secretary of State with Tim Boles, Mike Venier, Tom Elmendorf, Paul Roe, Antony Deter, Jessica Dempsey, and Monique Elmendorf as the initial Board of Directors. Seconded by Councilman Considine. Mayor explained the process of the selection of the members. Discussion ensued on the involvement of the City, workings of the board, and this is the first step of many to set up this board. Voting Yea: Councilman Considine, Marshall, Marx, Venier, and Mayor Arellano. **Motion Carried.**

ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Marx moved that the Regular Council Meeting of Monday, January 7, 2019, be adjourned to meet in Regular Session on Tuesday, January 22, 2019 at 5:30 pm in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Seconded by Councilman Marx. Voting Yea: Councilman Considine, Marshall, Marx, Venier, and Mayor Arellano. **Motion Carried.**

The meeting adjourned at 6:59pm.

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CITY CLERK