

COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DIXON, ILLINOIS
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – CITY HALL
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2019
5:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Councilman Marshall at 5:30pm.

ROLL CALL

Councilman Venier, Considine, and Marshall answered Roll Call. Absent: Councilman Oros and Mayor Arellano. The Pledge of Allegiance was cited.

ELECTONIC PARTICIPATION IN THE MEETING FOR MAYOR ARELLANO

None

WORK SESSION

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilman Venier moved that the minutes of the Regular Session Council Meeting of Monday, October 7, 2019; be accepted and placed on file. Seconded by Councilman Considine. Voting Yea: Councilman Venier, Considine and Marshall. **Motion Carried.**

APPROVAL OF TOTAL LABOR AND OUTSIDE CLAIMS

Councilman Venier moved that the Total Labor and Outside Claims in the amount of \$506,312.11 be approved and ordered paid. Seconded by Councilman Considine. Voting Yea: Councilman Venier, Considine and Marshall. **Motion Carried.**

APPROVAL OF YEAR-TO-DATE FINANCIALS

Councilman Venier moved that the year-to-date Financial Summary through September 2019 be accepted. Seconded by Councilman Considine. Voting Yea: Councilman Venier, Considine and Marshall. **Motion Carried.**

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Chief Buskohl reported to the Council that the Fire Department has received their new Fire Engine. It will be about 3 weeks before Engine 4 will be in active service, training needs to be

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done. It was on display at the Illinois Chief's Conference. It was delivered about two months late, we did get some discount due to the late delivery. There is another Fire Department coming to look at the old truck.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

Assistant City Manager/Public Works Director Heckman reported on the Depot Avenue project is in its final stages. Hoping to be done by November 1st, depending on the weather.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Mayor Arellano – None

Councilman Considine – He invited the community to 1211 Eustace on Halloween evening, everyone is most welcome to stop by. Thanked downtown merchants, Ladies Night went well; lots of shopping.

Councilman Marshall – Ladies Night was a good night. Touch Down for Tatas raised over \$20,000 for Breast Cancer Awareness.

Councilman Oros – None

Councilman Venier – Ladies Night had the best run, had 150 ladies register. Dixon Theatre had over 700 people for the Pink Floyd show, and many went to the downtown businesses before and after the concert. There will be an announcement soon by the Dixon Historic Theatre.

BOARD & COMMISSIONS REPORTS

Reports on file: Building Report

PROCLAMATION

SISTER CITIES – HERZBERG, GERMANY AND CITY OF DIXON, ILLINOIS USA

Councilman Marshall read the Proclamation.

VISITOR/PUBLIC COMMENT

Clara Harris, President of Goodfellows of Lee County spoke to the Council regarding their organization and the need of a new location. They have been around for 107 years and still continue to serve the community. They are a non-for-profit organization that services all of Lee

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County with Christmas giveaways, assist with Shop with a Cop and Sheriff, and donate to churches. She asked the Council and the community for help finding a new location.

ORD# 3170 – AMENDING TITLE 5, CHAPTER 8A OF THE DIXON CITY CODE
(DOOR TO DOOR SOLICITATION)

Attorney LeSage explained the ordinance, and discussion ensued. Councilman Considine moved to approve the Ordinance Amending Title 5, Chapter 8A of the Dixon City Code (Door-to-Door Solicitation). Seconded by Councilman Venier. Voting Yea: Councilman Venier, Considine and Marshall. **Motion Carried.**

ORD# 3171 – AMENDING THE LIQUOR CODE IN CONNECTION WITH
THE HALLOWBEAN BLOSSON EVENT

Councilman Venier moved to approve the Ordinance Amending the Liquor Code in Connection with the Halloween Blosson Event. Seconded by Councilman Considine. Discussion ensued. Voting Yea: Councilman Venier, Considine and Marshall. **Motion Carried.**

RES# 2698-19 – RE-APPOINTMENT TO HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
CAROL KRUEGER

Councilman Considine moved to re-appoint Carol Krueger to the Historic Preservation Commission for a term to commence November 1, 2019 and to end May 31, 2022, or until her successor is duly appointed and qualified. Seconded by Councilman Venier. Discussion ensued. Voting Yea: Councilman Venier, Considine and Marshall. **Motion Carried.**

AMENDING 2019-2020 BUDGET
VETERAN’S MEMORIAL PARK

Moved to the next meeting, there was not a super majority to be able to vote.

RES# 2699-19 – IMPROVEMENT UNDER THE ILLINOIS HIGHWAY CODE

Councilman Venier to approve the resolution appropriating \$400,000 of Motor Fuel Tax funds for street resurfacing. Seconded by Councilman Considine. Public Works Director Heckman explained the request, and discussion ensued. Voting Yea: Councilman Venier, Considine and Marshall. **Motion Carried.**

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REFER ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF DIXON ZONING ORDINANCE WITH
RESPECT TO CANNABIS BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS TO THE PLAN COMMISSION
FOR A PUBLIC HEARING AND RECOMMENDATION

Attorney LeSage explained the request, discussion ensued. Councilman Venier moved to refer the ordinance amending the City of Dixon Zoning Ordinance with respect to Cannabis Business Establishments to the Planning Commission for a public hearing, in accordance with the City's process for reviewing amendments to the zoning ordinance. Seconded by Councilman Considine. Voting Yea: Councilman Venier, Considine and Marshall. **Motion Carried.**

ADJOURMENT

Councilman Considine moved that the Regular Council Meeting of Monday, October 21, 2019 be adjourned to meet in Regular Session on Monday, November 4, 2019, at 5:30pm in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Seconded by Councilman Venier. Voting Yea: Councilman Venier, Considine and Marshall. **Motion Carried.**

The meeting adjourned at 6:00pm.

CITY CLERK