

COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DIXON, ILLINOIS
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – CITY HALL
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 6, 2020
5:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by the City Clerk at 5:31pm. The meeting was held electronically, due to Governor Pritzker's Stay at Home Order.

ROLL CALL

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

ELECTION OF TEMPORARY CHAIRMAN DUE TO ABSENCE OF MAYOR

Councilman Oros moved, pursuant to 65 ILCS 5/3.1-35-35(b) to elect Mike Venier as Temporary Chairman to act as presiding officer for purposes of the City Council Meetings held in the month of April 2020. Seconded by Councilman Marshall. Voting Yea: Marshall, Oros, Venier, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Carried.**

PUBLIC HEARING

Lee-Ogle Enterprise Zone – Andy Shaw from the Lee-Ogle Enterprise Zone presented the Public Hearing regarding an amendment to zone boundaries to move a single connecting strip near the City of Dixon, to accommodate the expansion, into Lee County, of the Quad Cities Regional Development Authority Enterprise Zone, to allow for incentive use for a significant solar energy project. There was no Public Comment. The Public Hearing was closed at 5:40pm

FY20/21 City of Dixon Budget – Finance Director Fredericks presented the hearing. The Budget ordinance was placed on file at the March 16, 2020 Council Meeting and viewable on the City's website and Library website. There have been no changes to the budget since it was placed on file, changes can still be made before the final vote. Discussion ensued amongst the Council. There was no Public Comment. The Public Hearing was closed at 5:53pm.

PROCLAMATION

Councilman Venier read the proclamation, on behalf of the Mayor, Proclaimed April 2020 Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

WORK SESSION

None

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilman Oros moved that the minutes of the Regular Session Council Meeting Monday, March 16, 2020; be accepted and placed on file. Seconded by Councilman Marshall. Voting Yea: Marshall, Oros, Venier, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Carried.**

APPROVAL OF TOTAL LABOR AND OUTSIDE CLAIMS

Councilman Marshall moved that the Total Labor and Outside Claims in the amount of \$358,813.02 be approved and ordered paid. Seconded by Councilman Oros. Voting Yea: Marshall, Oros, Venier, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Carried.**

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Public Works Director/Assistant City Manager – The current situation with no yard waste being picked up curbside, the City has arranged dumpsters at the WasteWater Treatment Plant for yard waste drop-off. Hope to do one for bulk waste items also. Discussion ensued.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager Langloss – Recognized our staff's response during the COVID-19 pandemic. The number of leadership team members working long hours, working hard for the community. We have changed our work environments to still provide services to the community. The council have also stepped up a great deal to help. COVID-19 Response Daily Briefings are a shared effort between the City Leadership Team, KSB, Emergency Management Systems, Lee County Health Department to have a unified message out to the citizens. There are new recommendations when moving about in public: use some type of cloth to cover your mouth and nose, you could have no symptoms and transmit the disease; go to the grocery or pharmacy only if you absolutely have to go. Snowbirds will be returning from their secondary homes, please contact the Health Department. According to the Chief Medical Director at KSB the next few weeks will be very critical, social distancing and handwashing are crucial. Lee County has an F grade on social distancing.

Downstate Small Business Grant Special Meeting will be April 13th, each business is a separate grant application which the City needs to submit. The second round due date is this Wednesday at 4:00pm, and we may do a third round. We are including unincorporated surrounding Dixon as well.

Build Grant we are very close to being accepted for the grant. We need to show usage; how many people will use the path. There will be a survey to judge usage, please take the time to fill out the survey.

COVID-19 impact on the budget. He has been talking with other cities on how they are handling the pandemic and will put something together for the council to look at.

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Thanked and praised the administrative staff and the united team members for keeping all updated on what is happening. Thanks for all the participation in the united meetings. Dixon Chamber of Commerce Main Street have been a great help to the businesses. Tom Demmer is fighting to help businesses qualify for the grant.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Mayor Arellano – COVID, he has gotten lots of responses from people on the updates making a difference on people’s lives. He is thinking of the people who are out of work with the additional strain on them. The grants are important to get the community back online.

Councilman Considine – None

Councilman Marshall – He seconds all of the praises, awesome job. Layoffs and getting hit by this in the worse possible way, the Chamber helping with grants. Regarding the proclamation, there are people locked in homes with less than pristine, bad situations. Please make sure to call someone for help, YWCA or Police Department. No one should be subject to violence. The “F” rating was frustrating to see, we need to try to flatten this out to get back to a more regular way of life. Wishing all the best.

Councilman Oros – Echoed the sentiments. Dixon Chamber Commerce Main Street has Facebook groups for area businesses and restaurants and COVID help group to be utilized by the public. It is awesome to see how the community is rallying. Her heart breaks for the businesses with their financial burdens. There are people in need, reach out, there are people who will help. There are a lot of people who want to do a lot of good. Grants: go to dixonprepared.com for information on available grants.

Councilman Venier – Shocked on the “F” on our report card. Thanks to AVP for helping with videos to help us put out the message. We all need to stay home and follow the general rules. Remember to wash your hands, stay six feet away from each other, and do not touch your face. This passes through mucus membranes. We will get through this. Acts of kindness are the silver linings.

BOARD & COMMISSIONS REPORTS

Reports on file: Veterans’ Memorial Park Meeting Minutes

VISITOR/PUBLIC COMMENT

None

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ORD# 3193 – AMENDING LIQUOR CODE IN CONNECTION WITH
ROSBROOK STREET FAIR

Councilman Oros moved to approve the ordinance amending the Liquor Code in connection with the Rosbrook Street Fair on June 13, 2020; pursuant to the request from Rosbrook. Seconded by Councilman Marshall. Discussion ensued. Voting Yea: Marshall, Oros, Venier, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Carried.**

RES# 2737-20 – AMENDING FY2019-2020 BUDGET
STREET DEPARTMENT NATURAL GAS

Councilman Marshall moved to approve Resolution amending the FY20 budget with respect to the Street Department. Seconded by Councilman Oros. Voting Yea: Marshall, Oros, Venier, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Carried.**

RES# 2738-20 – RE-APPOINTMENT OF GLEN HUGHES TO THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE DIXON POLICE PENSION FUND

Councilman Oros moved to re-appoint Glen Hughes to the Board of Trustees of the Police Pension Fund for a term to commence May 1, 2020 and to end April 30, 2023, or until his successor is duly appointed and qualified. Seconded by Councilman Marshall. Voting Yea: Marshall, Oros, Venier, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Carried.**

RES# 2739-20 – RESOLUTION LISTING SCHEDULED MEETINGS OF
THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DIXON, ILLINOIS

Councilman Marshall moved the Resolution listing the scheduled City of Dixon Council Meetings beginning May 1, 2020 and ending April 30, 2021 be adopted. Seconded by Councilman Oros. Voting Yea: Marshall, Oros, Venier, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Carried.**

APPROVAL TO CLOSE THE 100 BLOCK OF S. PEORIA ON
JUNE 13, 2020, ROSBROOK STREET FAIR

Councilman Oros moved to approve the closure of the 100 block of S. Peoria from noon to 11:30pm on June 13, 2020. Seconded by Councilman Marshall Voting Yea: Marshall, Oros, Venier, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Carried.**

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APPROVAL TO WAIVE THE FORMAL BID PROCESS FOR
REPAIR AND INSTALLATION OF WELL#6

Councilman Marshall moved to waive the bidding process for the repair and installation of well #6 pumping assembly. Seconded by Councilman Oros. Public Works Director/Assistant City Manager Heckman explained the request and discussion ensued. Voting Yea: Marshall, Oros, Venier, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Carried.**

APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER FROM FEHR GRAHAM PERTAINING TO WORK
RELATED TO THE ITEP PROJECT

Councilman Oros moved to approve the agreement with Fehr Graham Engineering for the ITEP Grant and project. Seconded by Councilman Marshall Voting Yea: Marshall, Oros, Venier, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Carried.**

APPROVAL OF A CONTRACT WITH LAYNE CHRISTENSEN FOR REPAIR AND
INSTALLATION OF WELL#6 PUMPING ASSEMBLY

Councilman Marshall moved to contract with Layne Christensen to repair and re-install the Well #6 pumping assembly. Seconded by Councilman Oros. Voting Yea: Marshall, Oros, Venier, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Carried.**

AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF DIXON AND SCOTT AND LINDA BURKITT
Scratched

APPROVAL OF ACCOMMODATIONS WITH RESPECT TO LIQUOR LICENSES FEES
DUE TO THE IMPACT OF THE GOVENOR'S EXECUTIVE ORDER
WITH RESPECT TO COVID-19

City Manager Langloss explained the circumstances of certain liquor licenses being closed due to the order and pushing out the due date of the liquor licenses, and discussion ensued. Councilman Marshall moved to approve for the following liquor licenses classes: A, B, C, D, N, & I; which have been affected by the COVID-19 pandemic, that the renewal payment's new due date be May 15, 2020. Seconded by Councilman Oros. Voting Yea: Marshall, Oros, Venier, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Carried.** It was noted Councilman Marshall as the owner of Stables has paid in full, even though his license class falls under this.

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COMMENTS

The next meetings will be done by electronic means again, with a live feed on the City's Facebook page. Thank you everyone for the audience.

ADJOURMENT

Councilman Marshall moved that the Meeting of Monday, April 6, 2020 be adjourned to meet in Monday, April 13, 2020, at 5:30pm in internet land. Seconded by Mayor Arellano. Voting Yea: Marshall, Oros, Venier, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Carried.**

The meeting adjourned at 6:45pm.

CITY CLERK