

COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DIXON, ILLINOIS
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – CITY HALL
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, MAY 18, 2020
5:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by the City Manager at 5:30pm. The meeting was held electronically, due to Governor Pritzker's Stay at Home Order.

ROLL CALL

Councilman Venier, Considine, Marshall, Oros, and Mayor Arellano answered roll call.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/INVOCATION

The Pledge of Allegiance was cited and the invocation was given by Councilman Oros.

WORK SESSION

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilman Oros moved that the minutes of the Regular Session Council Meeting of Monday, May 4, 2020; be accepted and placed on file. Seconded by Councilman Venier. Voting Yea: Venier, Considine, Marshall, Oros, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Carried.**

APPROVAL OF TOTAL LABOR AND OUTSIDE CLAIMS

Councilman Venier moved that the Total Labor and Outside Claims in the amount of \$233,129.76 be approved and ordered paid. Seconded by Councilman Considine. Voting Yea: Venier, Considine, Marshall, Oros, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Carried.**

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Building Official Shipman – spoke about the Administrative Court process, which was held off with the shut downs and other reasons, the process will be starting for the July timeframe. Discussion ensued.

Public Works Director/Assistant City Manager Heckman – spoke on the Depot Avenue resurfacing. The project is done, other than a few punch list items, it has been striped and it turned out great. Discussion ensued.

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CITY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager Langloss –

- Reported on the Down State Small Business Grant, determinations will be made by the end of this week. Dixon submitted 52 grants.
- First round of the City of Dixon LCIDA grants has finished. The City has awarded 72 grants totaling \$128,019, with only City money going to businesses in the city limits and LCIDA money for county businesses. 25% of the amount the City awards is being paid by LCIDA also. This grant program has been extended another month, there still is a significant need. This round will be for the next month of expenses. Businesses who were awarded last round can re-apply and new businesses can apply.
- Sales tax revenue for March was down \$1,500 from last March.
- Municipal Court-looking for voluntary compliance, but can have tickets issued if no compliance.
- Build Grant was filed today. Public response to the survey was great. He played the Project Rock & Riverfront Master Plan video. The grant will be awarded mid-September. Discussion ensued.
- COVID-19, the next phase and re-opening. The Lee Ogle Executive Leadership Team worked on a plan to submit to the Governor. Prior to the submission, the Governor came out with his plan. Our plan was adjusted and submitted to the Governor's office, and have not heard back on it. He shared Governor's plan stating we are close to being in his phase III. Discussion ensued.
- I-88 corridor, 200 acres of land is for sale, but cannot speak on anything else in that development.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Mayor Arellano – Enterprise Zone accepted some grants to help with COVID related finance issues incurred, Dixon's portion will be a little over \$40,000. Was disappointed that the Governor wasn't quite as receptive to more regionalized control, doesn't know agree that what the Governor says is automatically law, supportive in the first thirty days, then there is a reason he started losing court cases. Gotten some kudos from the community on our police department how they are handling everything and our own cities emphasis on voluntary cooperation.

Councilman Considine – spoke about the annexation plan for the City moving forward. What are your thoughts and why we are not actively opening timeline for annexations? Discussion ensued.

Councilman Marshall – If you are going out and about, have a mask with you. It is a simple thing to have. Speed the process along, make it easier on everyone. Make everyone feel a little safer.

Councilman Oros – Kindness goes along way, everyone is under stress. Social media can be a little toxic. Stay strong and vibrant, we are struggling like everyone. Be kind and support each

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other. Try to find the silver lining in this situation. Heart breaks for small business and people affected. In the end it is how we care about each other. Easy to be critical and negative, but won't get us there any sooner.

Councilman Venier – Thanks to Mark Stock (peace sign maker) and Doug Mossholder, for the red and white heart, universal signal of togetherness, on the hydro plant. We are all in this together. Be kind. Dixon Theatre group had their first meeting. Had a large line up for fall of 2020, will transfer to fall of 2021. If able to sooner, they will work to get shows earlier. Science will get us out of this mess, but the arts will get us through it.

BOARD & COMMISSIONS REPORTS
 Reports on file: Building Department Report

VISITOR/PUBLIC COMMENT

Comments read:

Yvonne Lester · 3:51 Would like to know the plan on the covid, breakout at Mabley? Please and Ty.

Tim Carlson · 6:03 The Cemetery looks horrible

Suzanne Bollman · 24:55 How do you feel about the governor's threat to jail anyone opening before he said no opening.

Tim Carlson · 45:53 What is the soonest we would hear about the grant being approved.

Toni Partington · 38:17 Acting Mayor Mike, have a Question for you, And I know That The Sheriff From Whiteside and Ogle County Is Not going to force the issue On a Stay at home order. Will Lee county do the same

RES# 2803-20 – AMENDING FY2019-2020 BUDGET
 PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING-OPERATING SUPPLIES

Councilman Considine moved to approve the FY19/20 budget resolution with respect to the Public Safety Building. Seconded by Councilman Venier. Discussion ensued. Voting Yea: Venier, Considine, Marshall, Oros, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Carried.**

RES# 2804-20 – AMENDING FY2019-2020 BUDGET
 STREET DEPARTMENT-CONTRACTUAL/FUEL & OIL

Councilman Oros moved to approve the resolution amending the FY19/20 budget with respect to the Street Department Contractual and Fuel & Oil. Seconded by Councilman Venier. Assistant City Manager/Public Works Director Heckman, discussion ensued. Voting Yea: Venier, Considine, Marshall, Oros, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Carried.**

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RES# 2805-20 – AMENDING FY2019-2020 BUDGET
 WASTE WATER-CONTRACTUAL

Councilman Venier moved to approve the resolution amending the FY19/20 budget with respect to the Waste Water Department Contractual. Seconded by Councilman Considine. Discussion ensued. Voting Yea: Venier, Considine, Marshall, Oros, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Carried.**

RES# 2806-20 – AMENDING FY2019-2020 BUDGET
 WATER DEPARTMENT-CONTRACTUAL

Councilman Considine moved to approve the resolution amending the FY19/20 budget with respect to the Water Department Contractual. Seconded by Councilman Venier. Discussion ensued. Voting Yea: Venier, Considine, Marshall, Oros, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Carried.**

APPROVAL OF PROPOSALS WITH ALPHA CONTROLS & SERVICES, LLC.
 TO UPGRADE THE HVAC SYSTEM AT THE PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING

Councilman Oros moved to approve the proposals with Alpha Controls & Services, LLC. with respect to the upgrade of the HVAC system at the Public Safety Building. Seconded by Councilman Venier. Voting Yea: Venier, Considine, Marshall, Oros, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Carried.**

APPROVAL OF MOU BETWEEN THE CITY OF DIXON AND THE
 DIXON FIRE FIGHTERS ASSOCIATION LOCAL 1943

Councilman Venier moved to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Dixon and the Dixon Fire Fighters Association Local 1943 with respect to temporary processes in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Seconded by Councilman Oros. City Manager Langloss explained the request. Voting Yea: Venier, Considine, Marshall, Oros, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Carried.**

RATIFY AND APPROVE THE PAYMENT OF 18 TOTAL GRANTS IN THE
 AGGREGATE AMOUNT OF \$33,916.00 IN CONNECTION WITH THE
 2020 CITY OF DIXON/LCIDA SMALL BUSINESS STABILIZATION GRANT PROGRAM

Councilman Considine moved to ratify and approve the payment of 18 total grants in the aggregate amount of \$33,916 in connection with the 2020 City of Dixon/LCIDA Small Business

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Stabilization Grant Program. Seconded by Councilman Oros. Discussion ensued. Voting Yea: Venier, Considine, Marshall, Oros, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Carried.**

APPROVAL OF DONATION TO THE NEXT PICTURE SHOW
IN THE AMOUNT OF \$25,000

Councilman Venier moved to approve the donation of \$25,000 to The Next Picture Show. Seconded by Councilman Oros. Discussion ensued. Councilman Venier moved to approve the donation of \$25,000 to The Next Picture Show to be used for the purchase of property only. Seconded by Mayor Arellano. Voting Yea: Venier, Considine, Marshall, Oros, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Carried.**

COMMENTS

Councilman Marshall read a comment from Facebook: [Carol Draper Fisher](#) · 48:05 West 9th st and monroe st continue to flood 3 homes basements and garages a couple of times every year. Any plans for a retention pond to help or other plans to help these home owners. Problem is from developing out by tollway. Years prior we didnt have this problem.
Discussion ensued.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Oros moved that the Regular Council Meeting of Monday, May 18, 2020 be adjourned to meet in Regular Session on Monday, June 1, 2020, at 5:30pm with electronic participation in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Seconded by Councilman Venier. Voting Yea: Venier, Considine, Marshall, Oros, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Carried.**

The meeting adjourned at 6:40pm.

CITY CLERK