

COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DIXON, ILLINOIS  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – CITY HALL  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
MONDAY, MARCH 1, 2021  
5:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/INVOCATION

The Pledge of Allegiance was cited and the invocation was given by Reverend Randy Sizemore, Bethel Evangelical Congressional Church.

WORK SESSION – FY2021/2022 Budget Review

Mayor Arellano – topics of discussion were: the passing of the bill regarding prison census, funding pensions, band budget. Would like to schedule another special budget meeting on Monday, March 8<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilman Marshall moved that the minutes of the Special and Regular Session Council Meetings of Tuesday, February 16, 2021, the Special Session Council Meeting of Thursday, February 18, 2021, and the Special and Executive Session Meetings of Tuesday, February 23, 2021; be accepted and placed on file. Seconded by Councilman Oros. Voting Yea: Oros, Venier, Considine, Marshall, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Carried**

APPROVAL OF TOTAL LABOR AND OUTSIDE CLAIMS

Councilman Oros moved that the Total Labor and Outside Claims in the amount of \$812,610.83 be approved and ordered paid. Seconded by Councilman Considine. Voting Yea: Oros, Venier, Considine, Marshall, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Carried**

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

None

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CITY MANAGER REPORT

Assistant City Manager Heckman – Happy it is warm.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Mayor Arellano – Sent out correspondences to the council, asked for feedback. City Attorney is working on annexation agreements, developer requesting fuel station liquor license, discussion ensued. Liquor license fees discussion. Pot holes? They are being filled daily, difficult to keep up with, call or email City Hall if you have any needs.

Councilman Considine – None

Councilman Marshall – Congratulations to Main Street Award Recipients. Congrats to all and good luck to the next batch next year. Polar Plunge for Special Olympics would be normally this weekend, it will be a plunge at home until the 14<sup>th</sup> to raise the funds.

Councilman Oros – Small Business Payroll Protection Program available from February 24<sup>th</sup> through March 9<sup>th</sup>. Discussion ensued.

Councilman Venier – Billions of dollars have been allocated to Dixon alone through lenders. Most local lenders can help, discussion ensued.

BOARD & COMMISSIONS REPORTS

Reports on File: Historic Preservation Meeting Minutes

VISITOR/PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment in City Hall.

Public comments from Facebook that were in response to the original comment asking for public comment were as follows: None at this time.

RES# 2845-21 – AMENDING 2020-2021 BUDGET  
STREET DEPARTMENT

Public Works Director/Assistant City Manager Heckman explained the request. Councilman Considine moved to the resolution amending the FY 2021 Budget with respect to the Street Department. Seconded by Councilman Venier. Voting Yea: Oros, Venier, Considine, Marshall, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Carried**

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RES# 2846-21 – APPOINT BOARD MEMBER TO DIXON THEATRE BOARD

Councilman Marshall moved that Mike Venier be re-appointed to the Dixon Historic Theatre Group for a term ending March 14, 2023, or until his successor is duly appointed and qualified. Seconded by Councilman Oros. Mayor Arellano explained this and the next requests, discussion ensued. Voting Yea: Oros, Venier, Considine, Marshall, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Carried**

APPROVAL TO WAIVE BIDDING PROCESS PHASE #2 REHAB AND  
REINSTALLATION OF WELL #9

Public Works Director/Assistant City Manager Heckman explained this request and the next three (3) motions, discussion ensued. Councilman Venier moved to waive the formal bidding process for phase 2 work at Well #9. Seconded by Councilman Marshall. Voting Yea: Oros, Venier, Considine, Marshall, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Carried**

APPROVAL FOR LAYNE CHRISTENSEN COMPANY TO  
REPAIR AND REINSTALL WELL #9

Councilman Oros moved to contract with Layne Christensen to complete phase 2 repairs and reinstallation at Well #9. Seconded by Councilman Considine. Voting Yea: Oros, Venier, Considine, Marshall, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Carried**

APPROVAL TO WAIVE BIDDING PROCESS FOR VFD FOR WELL #9

Councilman Considine moved to waive the formal bidding process for VFD work at Well #9. Seconded by Councilman Marshall. Discussion ensued. Voting Yea: Oros, Venier, Considine, Marshall, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Carried**

APPROVAL FOR ENGEL ELECTRIC COMPANY REPLACE VFD FOR WELL #9

Councilman Venier moved to contract with Engel Electric for VFD replacement at Well #9. Seconded by Councilman Venier. Discussion ensued. Voting Yea: Oros, Venier, Considine, Marshall, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Carried**

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilman Marshall moved that the Regular Council Meeting of Monday, March 1, 2021 meet in Executive Session to consider the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees pursuant to Section 2(c)(1) of the Open Meeting Act. Seconded by Councilman Oros. Voting Yea: Oros, Venier, Considine, Marshall, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Carried**

RECONVENE

Councilman Considine moved that the Regular Session Council Meeting of Monday, March 1, 2021 reconvene into Open Session. Seconded by Councilman Oros. Voting Yea: Oros, Venier, Considine, Marshall, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Carried**

COMMENTS

Discussion ensued regarding annexation agreements with respect to specific types of businesses.

ADJOURMENT

Councilman Venier moved that the Regular Council Meeting of Monday, March 1, 2021 be adjourned to meet in Regular Session on Monday, March 15, 2021, at 5:30pm in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Seconded by Councilman Marshall. Voting Yea: Oros, Venier, Considine, Marshall, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Carried**

The meeting adjourned at 8:22pm.

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CITY CLERK