

COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DIXON, ILLINOIS  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – CITY HALL  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2022  
5:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by the Mayor Arellano at 5:32pm.

ROLL CALL

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

Absent: None

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/INVOCATION

The Pledge of Allegiance was cited. Invocation was given by Reverend Young Sun Lee from First United Methodist Church.

**\*\*MOVED UP\*\***

APPROVAL OF COMPLIANCE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY  
AND SAUK VALLEY VOICES OF RECOVERY

City Manager Langloss explained the request, John Payne commented, and discussion ensued. Councilman Bishop moved to approve the compliance agreement between the City and Sauk Valley Voices of Recovery. Seconded by Councilman Venier. Voting Yea: Councilman Oros, Venier, Bishop, Considine, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Carried**

VISITOR/PUBLIC COMMENT

None

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Arellano opened the Public Hearing at 5:52pm.

Tom Houck of Willett Hofmann and Associates gave background on the USDA Loan for the Cemetery Building, gave the requirements for the public hearing, location of the facility and what it contains, existing facility, history and condition, the need for the new facility, proposed facility details, proposed project area, study of needs and floor plan, general concept, estimated costs, loan program details and the explanation of grants. Discussion ensued.

Public Comment: None.

Mayor Arellano closed the Public Hearing at 6:01pm.

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WORK SESSION  
KREIDER DONATION FOR GOLF COURSE

Mayor Arellano introduced the work session. Public Comment: Justin Gates questioned the diligence of the City Council, discussion ensued. This is a one-time investment, not an ongoing funding source that will not be spent until deemed viable. Discussion ensued with comments from Jim Marshall, Ryan Marshall, Justin Gates, and Jeff Stauter, Executive Director of Kreider Services.

**\*\*MOVED UP\*\***  
APPROVAL FOR A DONATION TO KREIDER SERVICES

Councilman Bishop moved to approve the grant of \$400,000 to Kreider Services for purposes of assisting in possible acquisition and rehabilitation of Timber Creek Golf Course and related facilities, the term of which shall be subject to further agreement between the City and Kreider Services. Seconded by Considine. Discussion ensued. Voting Yea: Councilman Oros, Venier, Bishop, Considine, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Carried**

WORK SESSION  
FUNDING FOR COUNCIL CHAMBERS UPDATE

Councilman Venier spoke about the finishing the update of the chambers, he showed pictures of multiple ways to do photos, discussion ensued regarding opinions, cost, use of the room, and viability, etc.

WORK SESSION  
IML CONFERENCE UPDATE

Mayor Arellano gave an update on his recent attendance of seminars at the annual IML conference. Items discussed, Policy impacts on the Social Justice Reform changes coming January 1st, liability and enforcements of the police department, funding changes from IDOT and new programs and his opinions on how to use, optimize public amenities, public safety improvements, possible grants into the broader city plan, downtowns-biker and pedestrian pathways, funding plans, marketing managing, historic preservation, retail with housing growth, partnerships with USDA, staffing concerns. Discussion ensued throughout.

WORK SESSION  
VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK – PROPERTY PURCHASE  
**\*\*STRICKEN\*\***

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilman Oros moved that the minutes of the Regular Session Meeting of Monday, October 3, 2022 and the Special Session Meeting of Tuesday, October 11, 2022; be accepted and placed on file. Seconded by Councilman Considine. Voting Yea: Councilman Oros, Venier, Bishop, Considine, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Carried**

APPROVAL OF TOTAL LABOR AND OUTSIDE CLAIMS

Councilman Considine moved that the Total Labor and Outside Claims in the amount of \$533,660.65 be approved and ordered paid. Seconded by Councilman Venier. Voting Yea: Councilman Oros, Venier, Bishop, Considine, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Carried**

APPROVAL OF YEAR TO DATE FINANCIALS

Councilman Venier moved that the year-to-date Financial Summary through September 2022 be accepted. Seconded by Councilman Bishop. Voting Yea: Councilman Oros, Venier, Bishop, Considine, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Carried**

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

None

CITY MANAGER REPORT

None

COUNCIL REPORTS

Mayor Arellano – Tom Wadsworth passed along that this year is the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Dixon Bridge Disaster, and they are wanting to erect a marker.

Councilman Bishop – Have a safe Halloween

Councilman Considine – Invited the community to stop by 1311 Eustace Drive this Halloween. Expressed condolences for Orval Gearhardt, Doug Farster, Bill Palen, and William Eastman and what they have given and volunteerism to the community.

Councilman Oros – KSB's 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Event- she presented the Proclamation from the last meeting on behalf of the Mayor who was at military duty. Shared a story of a resident who happened upon Dixon and why they moved here.

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Councilman Venier – Scarecrow Festival this weekend. Trick or Treating downtown. Record Scarecrows this year.

**\*\*MOVED UP\*\***

RES# 3032-22 – AMENDING 2022-2023 BUDGET – DIXON MUNICIPAL BAND

Chris Hammitt, representing the Dixon Municipal Band, explained the request, discussion ensued. Councilman Venier moved to approve the resolution amending the FY23 Budget with respect to the Dixon Municipal Band. Seconded by Councilman Bishop. Voting Yea: Councilman Oros, Venier, Bishop, Considine, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Carried**

BOARDS & COMMISSION REPORTS

On File: Building Department Permit Report

VISITORS/PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ORD# 3326 – AMENDING THE DIXON CITY CODE TITLE V, CHAPTER 13,  
SECTION 5-13-6 (NUMBER OF LIQUOR LICENSES)

Mayor Arellano explained the request. Councilman Bishop moved to approve the ordinance amending the Dixon City Code Title 5, Chapter 13, Section 5-13-6 (number of liquor license) with respect to changing the number of Class D/D-1 licenses to 17. Seconded by Councilman Oros. Discussion Ensued. Voting Yea: Councilman Oros, Venier, Bishop, Considine, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Carried**

RES #3033-22 – PROVIDING FOR CITY COUNCIL REVIEW OF REQUEST  
FROM DIXON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND MAIN STREET  
ARTS & CULTURE COMMITTEE

Councilman Oros moved to approve the resolution providing for city council review of request from Dixon Chamber of Commerce and Main Street Arts and Culture Committee. Seconded by Councilman Venier. Attorney LeSage explained the request, discussion ensued. Voting Yea: Councilman Oros, Venier, Bishop, Considine, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Carried**

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APPOINTMENT TO LIBRARY BOARD

**\*\*STRICKEN\*\***

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilman Oros moved that the Regular Session Council Meeting of Monday, October 17, 2022 meet in Executive Session to review closed session minutes pursuant to Section 2(c)(21) of the Open Meetings Act. Seconded by Councilman Considine. Voting Yea: Councilman Oros, Venier, Bishop, Considine, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Carried**

RECONVENE

Councilman Venier moved that the Regular Session Council Meeting of Monday, October 17, 2022, reconvene into Open Session. Seconded by Councilman Bishop. Voting Yea: Councilman Oros, Venier, Bishop, Considine, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Carried**

COMMENTS

Discussion ensued regarding Overlook Gardens with respect to the process of annexation. Discussion ensued regarding the Library appointment that was stricken from the agenda, and will be on the next agenda.

ADJOURMENT

Councilman Bishop moved that the Regular Council Meeting of Monday, October 17, 2022 be adjourned to meet in Regular Session on Monday, November 7, 2022, at 5:30pm in the Council Chambers at the City Hall. Seconded by Councilman Oros. Voting Yea: Councilman Oros, Venier, Bishop, Considine, and Mayor Arellano. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Carried**

The meeting adjourned at 8:41pm.

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CITY CLERK