

COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DIXON, ILLINOIS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS - CITY HALL
TUESDAY, JANUARY 20, 2009
6:30 P.M.

ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Burke. Commissioners Blackburn, Bridgeman, Kelly and Mayor Burke answered the Roll Call. Absent was: Commissioner Contreras. The Pledge of Allegiance was cited. Reverend Stan Rodabaugh gave the Invocation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Blackburn moved that the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of Monday, January 5, 2009 be accepted and placed on file. Voting Yea: Commissioners Blackburn, Bridgeman, Kelly and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF TOTAL LABOR & OUTSIDE CLAIMS

Commissioner Bridgeman moved that the City of Dixon's Total Labor & Outside Claims in the amount of \$516,420.75 be approved and ordered paid. Voting Yea: Commissioners Blackburn, Bridgeman, Kelly and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Commissioner Blackburn thanked Mike Stichter and his employees for a great job in plowing the snow.

Commissioner Bridgeman stated it has been a very hard winter thus far on the equipment and having to replace two plows. He also advised the overtime expended for snowplowing from December 1, 2008 through January 19, 2009 is \$23,904.74.

Commissioner Kelly echoed the comments on how well the Street Department personnel has cleared the snow. He also advised there would be a fundraiser held at the Elks Page Park on Monday, January 26 for the Veterans Memorial Park in hopes of raising \$5,000.

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS REPORTS

Mayor Burke reported the Budget & Treasurer's Report of December, 2008 and the Library Board Minutes and Treasurer's Report of December 8, 2008 were on file with the Clerk and available for inspection.

RES. #2250-09 – CONFIRMING APPT. – HISTORIC PRESERV. COMMISSION

Commissioner Kelly moved that a Resolution confirming the appointment of Duane Paulsen to the Historic Preservation Commission for a term commencing January 20, 2009 and ending January 31, 2012, or until his successor is duly appointed and qualified, be adopted. Voting Yea: Commissioners Blackburn, Bridgeman, Kelly and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

RES. #2251-09 – CONFIRMING APPTS. – ELECTRICAL COMMISSION

Commissioner Blackburn moved that a Resolution confirming the appointment of Todd Attig and the re-appointments of Mark Heckman and Steve Sloan to the Electrical Commission for terms commencing January 31, 2009 and ending January 31, 2011, or until their successors are duly appointed and qualified, be adopted. Voting Yea: Commissioners Blackburn, Bridgeman, Kelly and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

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RES. #2252-09 – CONFIRMING APPOINTMENT
DANGEROUS BUILDING INVESTIGATION & CONDEMNATION BOARD

Commissioner Bridgeman moved that a Resolution confirming the appointment of Tim Shipman to the Dangerous Building Investigation & Condemnation Board for a term commencing January 31, 2009 and ending January 31, 2011, or until his successor is duly appointed and qualified, be adopted. Voting Yea: Commissioners Blackburn, Bridgeman, Kelly and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

ACCEPT & PLACE ON FILE – DIXON POLICE ANNUAL REPORT

Commissioner Blackburn moved that the Dixon Police Department Annual Report be accepted and placed on file. A presentation followed. Chief Langloss gave a brief slide presentation on the police department's accomplishments in 2008 and highlighted on this department's main goals and their policing programs. After no further discussion, the Mayor called for the vote. Voting Yea: Commissioners Blackburn, Bridgeman, Kelly and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

PLACE ON FILE – ORD. - COLD SPRING GRANITE CO. CONTRACT
DIXON RIVERFRONT COMMISSION

Commissioner Kelly moved that an Ordinance authorizing the execution of the granite contract between the Dixon Riverfront Commission and Cold Spring Granite Company be placed on file until the next regularly scheduled Council Meeting of Monday, February 2, 2009. Voting Yea: Commissioners Blackburn, Bridgeman, Kelly and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

AUTHORIZE CLERK TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS
RIVERFRONT LANDSCAPING PROJECT

Commissioner Bridgeman moved that the Clerk be authorized to advertise for bids for the Riverfront Landscaping Project. Voting Yea: Commissioners Blackburn, Bridgeman, Kelly and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

AUTHORIZE CLERK TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS
RIVERFRONT SITE FURNISHINGS PROJECT

Commissioner Bridgeman moved that the Clerk be authorized to advertise for bids for the Riverfront Site Furnishings Project. Voting Yea: Commissioners Blackburn, Bridgeman, Kelly and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

RES. #2253-09 – APPROPRIATE MFT FUNDS – LINCOLN AVE. PROJECT

Commissioner Blackburn moved that a Resolution appropriating Motor Fuel Tax funds for the Lincoln Avenue Project be adopted. Voting Yea: Commissioners Blackburn, Bridgeman, Kelly and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

PLACE ON FILE – MFT ENGINEERING AGREEMENT – CITY/WHA

Commissioner Bridgeman moved that the engineering agreement between the City of Dixon and Willett, Hofmann & Associates for Motor Fuel Tax project be placed on file until the next regularly scheduled Council Meeting of Monday, February 2, 2009. Voting Yea: Commissioners Blackburn, Bridgeman, Kelly and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

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PLACE ON FILE – ORD. – DESIGNATING COMMUNITY SERVICE OFFICER

Commissioner Blackburn moved that an Ordinance amending the Dixon City Code Title IX, Chapter 1, by adding Section 9-1-29 for the purpose of designating a Dixon Police Department Community Service Officer be placed on file until the next regularly scheduled Council Meeting of Monday, February 2, 2009. Voting Yea: Commissioners Blackburn, Bridgeman, Kelly and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

PLACE ON FILE – ORD. – AMENDING TITLE VII, CHAPTER 7 TO ADOPT THE
2006 INTERNATIONAL PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE

Commissioner Blackburn moved that an Ordinance amending the Dixon City Code Title VII, Chapter 7 to adopt the 2006 International Property Maintenance Code be placed on file until the next regularly scheduled Council Meeting of Monday, February 2, 2009. Discussion followed. Attorney Keegan advised this ordinance is for updating the International Code to bring it up to speed for this area. After no further comments, the Mayor called for the vote. Voting Yea: Commissioners Blackburn, Bridgeman, Kelly and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

PLACE ON FILE – ORD. – AMENDING TITLE VII, CHAPTER 4

Commissioner Blackburn moved that an Ordinance amending the Dixon City Code Title VII, Chapter 4 be placed on file until the next regularly scheduled Council Meeting of Monday, February 2, 2009. Discussion followed. Attorney Keegan advised this ordinance will update the International Residential Code for one and two-family dwellings. After no further comments, the Mayor called for the vote. Voting Yea: Commissioners Blackburn, Bridgeman, Kelly and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

PLACE ON FILE – ORD. AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF NORTHWEST
ILLINOIS MAJOR CASE SQUAD INTERGOVERNMENTAL LAW
ENFORCEMENT AGREEMENT

Commissioner Kelly moved that an Ordinance authorizing the execution of the Northwest Illinois Major Case Squad Intergovernmental Law Enforcement Agreement be placed on file until the next regularly scheduled Council Meeting of Monday, February 2, 2009. Discussion followed. Chief Langloss this involves ten local agencies allowing all to receive jurisdiction to work on cases in other nearby cities. He stated this is a very proactive approach. Attorney Keegan added that due to the many parties involved in this agreement, it is still being negotiated; therefore, it should be tabled at this time. Mayor Burke asked Commissioner Kelly to re-read the motion to reflect this change. Commissioner Kelly moved that an Ordinance authorizing the execution of the Northwest Illinois Major Case Squad Intergovernmental Law Enforcement Agreement be tabled until the next regularly scheduled Council Meeting of Monday, February 2, 2009. Voting Yea: Commissioners Blackburn, Bridgeman, Kelly and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

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DISCUSSION – WIND TURBINES

Andre DeRosa, Principal, and Mitchell Furlett, Vice President, addressed the City Council to give a presentation of what their company, GSY Energy, Inc., does as far as performing consulting work for placement of turbines to benefit areas on energy savings, tax base attraction, future development and increase in revenues. Mr. DeRosa advised there are federal monies available to fund such a project. He advised a fee of \$30,000 would be required up front to start Phase I of this consulting project. Packets were handed out to the Council to be reviewed and Mayor Burke advised this would be placed on the February 2nd agenda to vote on whether the City would go forward with this program.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Blackburn moved that the Regular Council Meeting of Tuesday, January 20, 2009 be adjourned to meet in Regular Session on Monday, February 2, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Voting Yea: Commissioners Blackburn, Bridgeman, Kelly and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Kathe A. Swanson, City Clerk