COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DIXON, ILLINOIS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS - CITY HALL
MONDAY, AUGUST 18, 2008
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. Chaplain Vincent Marrandino from KSB Hospital gave the Invocation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Kelly moved that the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of Monday, August 4, 2008 and the minutes of the Special Council Meeting of Monday, August 11, 2008 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 $393,335.79 be approved and ordered paid. Voting Yea: Commissioners Blackburn, Bridgeman, Kelly and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Commissioner Blackburn advised there was a ceremony held on Saturday at the A.C. Bowers Field for troops being deployed. He advised the Mayor was in attendance and wished these men and women the best.

Commissioner Bridgeman advised school is starting this week and asked citizens to be careful when driving.

Commissioner Kelly said thank you to the City employees who helped out over the weekend with the Reagan Trail Days events. He also advised the City purchased two properties last Friday—108 and 112 Artesian, for the purpose of the radium reduction on Phase III project.

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS REPORTS

Mayor Burke reported the Budget & Treasurer’s Report of July, 2008, the Library Board Minutes and Treasurer’s Report of July 14, 2008 and the Tourism Board Minutes of August 11, 2008 were on file with the Clerk and available for inspection.

AWARD BID – 8TH & HIGHLAND STREET PROJECT

Commissioner Kelly moved that the bid for the 8th and Highland Street Project be awarded to Northwest Illinois Construction, LLC, Rock Falls, Illinois, for their low bid in the amount of $584,488.23. Voting Yea: Commissioners Blackburn, Bridgeman, Kelly and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

AWARD BID – OAKWOOD CEMETERY TRACTOR

Commissioner Kelly moved that the bid for the Oakwood Cemetery tractor be awarded to Polo Agri Systems, Polo, Illinois, for their low bid in the amount of $36,650.00. Voting Yea: Commissioners Blackburn, Bridgeman, Kelly and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.
ORD. #2710 – VACATING PORTION OF PUBLIC ALLEY

Commissioner Blackburn moved that an Ordinance vacating a portion of the public alley pursuant to the request of David W. Bowers and Derri G. Bowers be passed. Voting Yea: Commissioners Blackburn, Bridgeman, Kelly and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF CONSULTANT’S AMENDMENT #1
CITY OF DIXON/HANSON PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Commissioner Bridgeman moved that the Mayor be authorized to execute the Consultant’s Amendment #1 to the Agreement for Architectural, Engineering and Planning Services for Airports between the City of Dixon and Hanson Professional Services, Inc. Voting Yea: Commissioners Blackburn, Bridgeman, Kelly and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

MOTION TO APPROVE REQUEST OF DIXON MAIN STREET

Commissioner Kelly moved that the request of Dixon Main Street for permission to paint stencils on City Streets be approved. Voting Yea: Commissioners Blackburn, Bridgeman, Kelly and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF WEBSITE AGREEMENT
CITY OF DIXON/TDG COMMUNICATIONS

Commissioner Blackburn moved that the Mayor be authorized to execute the Website Agreement between the City of Dixon and TDG Communications. Voting Yea: Commissioners Blackburn, Bridgeman, Kelly and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

RES. #2232-08 – CONFIRMING APPOINTMENTS – TREE COMMISSION

Commissioner Bridgeman moved that a Resolution confirming the appointments of Ken Price and Mike Devine to the Tree Commission for terms commencing August 18, 2008 and ending August 18, 2009, 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.

PROCLAMATION – “TOUGH ENOUGH TO WEAR PINK DAY”

Mayor Burke proclaimed Sunday, September September 7, 2008 as “Tough Enough To Wear Pink Day” in the City of Dixon. He then introduced Sandy Ivey, 1808 5th Avenue, Sterling, who gave a brief synopsis of this upcoming event to raise monies for women who have no insurance to receive proper breast healthcare.

DISCUSSION – PUBLIC WORKS UPDATE

Shawn Ortgiesen, Public Works Director, gave a brief update on the four departments, Water, Wastewater Treatment, Street and Public Properties. Shawn touched on all projects, past and present, and presented a slide show of the progress of said projects. Shawn lastly stated that the Department Head Meetings are every Thursday and invited the Council to attend.
Commissioner Kelly moved that the Regular Council Meeting of Monday, August 18, 2008 be adjourned to meet in Special Session on Monday, August 25, 2008 at 8:30 a.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 7:05 p.m.

Kathe A. Swanson, City Clerk