

COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DIXON, ILLINOIS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS - CITY HALL
MONDAY, MAY 19, 2008
6:30 P.M.

ROLL CALL

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Contreras moved that the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of Monday, May 5, 2008 be accepted and placed on file. Voting Yea: Commissioners Contreras, Kelly Blackburn, Bridgeman 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 \$339,602.79 be approved and ordered paid. Voting Yea: Commissioners Contreras, Kelly, Blackburn, Bridgeman and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Mayor Burke stated he was happy to see Commissioner Kelly here tonight and feeling better.

Commissioner Kelly commended both Commissioners Blackburn and Bridgeman on their excellent staff in aiding him during his medical emergency last week.

Commissioner Blackburn advised the Building and Fire Departments together conducted inspections for liquor license renewals and several had to be re-inspected due to violations in the areas of exit problems, fire supplies, electrical and housekeeping issues. Commissioner Blackburn thanked the businesses for their cooperation. He then advised the Dixon Fire Department received two educational scholarships—Jake Henry received \$500 to Western Illinois University and Ryan Buskohl received \$500 to John Wood Community College. Lastly, Commissioner Blackburn advised this would have been the last meeting for Chief Gary Coppotelli, who is retiring May 30th. He advised Gary began his service with the City on September 13, 1976. Commissioner Blackburn wished Chief Coppotelli the best.

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS REPORTS

Mayor Burke reported the Budget & Treasurer's Report of April, 2008, the Library Board Minutes and Treasurer's Report of April 21, 2008, the Tourism Board Minutes of May 12, 2008 and the Airport Board Minutes of March 29, 2008, April 26, 2008 and May 10, 2008 were all on file with the Clerk and available for inspection.

VISITORS

Josh Albrecht, Main Street Director, was present tonight, along with other board members, to ask for Council support on a downtown banner project. Josh introduced Rich Wheeler, Community Partners, Lafayette, Indiana, who explained this fundraising project would be no cost to the City or Main Street. He advised Main Street would design the 2-1/2' x 6' banner and contact businesses for their support and their name would be placed on the banner for one year and be placed at a location downtown of their choosing.

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VISITORS (CONT'D.)

Mr. Wheeler advised this project could generate \$5,000 to \$10,000 for Main Street. He further advised they provide the hardware, contract in town for maintenance and also provide liability coverage. Paul Shiaras advised this might take an ordinance change as the current sign ordinance prohibits off-site advertising. Mayor Burke asked the City Attorney to look into this matter. Commissioner Bridgeman asked if IDOT was okay with this and was advised they were. Lastly, Josh advised that all entities would be notified before installation of any banners.

Mr. Corey Eykamp, 416 Depot Avenue, addressed the Council to advise there has been a neighborhood watch formed and they have already had two meetings. He advised their next meeting is Wednesday, June 11 at 6:00 p.m. at the Dixon Police Department and invited all Council Members to attend. Mr. Eykamp also advised the neighborhood is doing a clean-up day on June 1st from 9:00 a.m. to noon. Mayor Burke commended Mr. Eykamp for his pride in his neighborhood and stated he would attend their next meeting if his schedule permits.

Ms. Jacqueline Giese, 503 Depot Avenue, addressed the Council on the crumbling curbs on her street. She explained the snowplows took out the rest of the curbing this past winter. Shawn Ortgiesen advised the Council that the City is possibly looking into a 50/50 program for curbing—like the current sidewalk program. Mrs. Giese then advised she was told by NiGas that she was getting a pear tree in her front yard, which she does not want. Shawn then explained this is part of the Tree Commission's plantings but he would look into this matter also.

PRESENTATION – GROWTH STUDY COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Bob Markunas, Crawford, Murphy & Tilly, attended tonight to present a growth study, highlighting the planned development districts, the development zones, along with a revised interchange mapping. He explained their traffic analysis procedures and conclusions for 2010, 2020 and 2030, showing future commercial developments and residential developments in that area. Mr. Markunas listed nine recommendations of their study, with the first initiating Phase I of the engineering process. He then advised the next steps included the widening of Route 26 and Bloody Gulch Road, and installing traffic signals. He stated this study should be presented to IDOT and the Tollway Authority and advised Mayor Burke he would be available to make this presentation. Mayor Burke also stated that Lee County should be in the loop due to Progress Drive.

ACCEPT BIDS & PLACE ON FILE – WWTP CSO GATES PROJECT

Commissioner Blackburn moved that the bids for the Wastewater Treatment Plant CSO Gates Project be accepted and placed on file until the next regularly scheduled Council Meeting of Monday, June 2, 2008. Voting Yea: Commissioners Contreras, Kelly, Blackburn, Bridgeman and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

ORD. #2694 – AMENDING CODE TITLE VII, CHAP. 1, SEC. 7-1-9

Commissioner Contreras moved that an Ordinance amending the Dixon City Code Title VII, Chapter 1, Section 7-1-9 be passed. Discussion followed. Mayor Burke questioned Paul Shiaras on this ordinance changing fees. Paul advised there is not change in the fee structure. After no further comments, the Mayor called for the vote. Voting Yea: Commissioners Contreras, Kelly, Blackburn, Bridgeman and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

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AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF DESIGN SERVICES/CONSTRUCTION
AGREEMENT – CITY/STRAND ASSOCIATES, INC.

Commissioner Kelly moved that the Mayor be authorized to execute the agreement for design services and construction-related services between the City of Dixon and Strand Associates, Inc. Voting Yea: Commissioners Blackburn, Bridgeman, Contreras, Kelly and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

AWARD BID – AIRPORT HANGAR ROOF PROJECT

Commissioner Kelly moved that the bid for the Airport Hangar Roof Project be awarded to Custom Construction Company, LLC, South Beloit, Illinois, for their bid in the amount of \$51,328.00 for a steel shake roof with a 50-year guarantee on the paint. Voting Yea: Commissioners Blackburn, Bridgeman, Contreras, Kelly and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

PROCLAMATION – “OLDER AMERICANS MONTH”

Mayor Burke proclaimed the month of May, 2008 as “Older Americans Month” in the City of Dixon.

PET. – PRELIMINARY PLAT – ONE UPHAM PLACE

Commissioner Kelly moved that the Petition for Preliminary Plat pursuant to the request of Al Delhotal for property located at One Upham Place, be referred to the Dixon Plan Commission at their next regularly scheduled meeting. Voting Yea: Commissioners Blackburn, Bridgeman, Contreras, Kelly and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

PLACE ON FILE – IL ROUTE 26 JOINT AGREEMENT – CITY/IDOT

Commissioner Blackburn moved that the Illinois Route 26 Joint Agreement between the City of Dixon and IDOT be placed on file until the next regularly scheduled Council Meeting of Monday, June 2, 2008. Voting Yea: Commissioners Blackburn, Bridgeman, Contreras, Kelly and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

PLACE ON FILE - RES. – APPROPRIATE \$12,995.00 FUNDS
IL ROUTE 26 IMPROVEMENTS

Commissioner Bridgeman moved that a Resolution appropriating funds in the amount of \$12,995.00 for the Illinois Route 26 Improvements Project be placed on file until the next regularly scheduled Council Meeting of Monday, June 2, 2008. Voting Yea: Commissioners Blackburn, Bridgeman, Contreras, Kelly and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

PLACE ON FILE - RES. –APPROVING PLANS/SPECS FOR JOINT
CITY/STATEIL ROUTE 26 IMPROVEMENTS

Commissioner Bridgeman moved that a Resolution approving plans and specifications for the Joint City/State Illinois Route 26 Improvements Project be placed on file until the next regularly scheduled Council Meeting of Monday, June 2, 2008. Voting Yea: Commissioners Blackburn, Bridgeman, Contreras, Kelly and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

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PLACE ON FILE – BOYD ST. CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING AGREEMENT
CITY/WHA

Commissioner Contreras moved that the Boyd Street construction engineering agreement between the City of Dixon and Willett, Hofmann & Associates be placed on file until the next regularly scheduled Council Meeting of Monday, June 2, 2008. Voting Yea: Commissioners Contreras, Kelly, Blackburn, Bridgeman and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

AUTHORIZE CLERK TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS
8TH STREET/HIGHLAND AVENUE SEWER SEPARATION PROJECT

Commissioner Kelly moved that the Clerk be authorized to advertise for bids for the 8th Street and Highland Avenue sewer separation project. Voting Yea: Commissioners Contreras, Kelly, Blackburn, Bridgeman and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

AUTHORIZE CLERK TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS
HERITAGE CROSSING PAVILIONS

Commissioner Blackburn moved that the Clerk be authorized to advertise for bids for the Heritage Crossing Pavilions. Voting Yea: Commissioners Contreras, Kelly, Blackburn, Bridgeman and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

RES. #2220-08 - SUPPORTING ILLINOIS WORKS

Commissioner Bridgeman moved that a Resolution supporting Illinois Works be adopted. Voting Yea: Commissioners Contreras, Kelly, Blackburn, Bridgeman and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

PLACE ON FILE – WEBSITE AGREEMENT – CITY/SEDONA TECHNOLOGIES

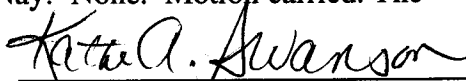
Commissioner Blackburn moved that the website agreement between the City of Dixon and Sedona Technologies be placed on file until the next regularly scheduled Council Meeting of Monday, June 2, 2008. Voting Yea: Commissioners Contreras, Kelly, Blackburn, Bridgeman and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

PLACE ON FILE – ASSIGNMENT & ASSUMPTION OF CONTRACT
CITY/FOCUS/AFFINITY AV

Commissioner Blackburn moved that the Assignment and Assumption of Contract between the City of Dixon, Focus and Affinity AV be placed on file until the next regularly scheduled Council Meeting of Monday, June 2, 2008. Voting Yea: Commissioners Contreras, Kelly, Blackburn, Bridgeman and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Kelly moved that the Regular Council Meeting of Monday, May 19, 2008 be adjourned to meet in Regular Session on Monday, June 2, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Voting Yea: Commissioners Contreras, Kelly, Blackburn, Bridgeman and Mayor Burke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.


Kathe A. Swanson, City Clerk