

COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DIXON, ILLINOIS
SAUK VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE – RIVER VIEW
SPECIAL COUNCIL RETREAT
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2023
8:30 A.M.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Glen Hughes at 8:34am.

ROLL CALL

Councilman Bishop, Considine, Venier, and Mayor Hughes answered roll call. Absent:
Councilman Oros.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/INVOCATION

Pledge was cited.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No Public Present

DISCUSSION

Dr. Mandrell, Vice President of Student Services at SVCC lead an overview of the day and notes from last retreat.

Note: Councilman Oros arrived at 8:36am.

Discussion items: Comprehensive plan, industrial, business, residential, recreational; RPF process; Annexations cleaning up of city lines; sidewalks, Idle Oaks ingress/egress; discussion ensued throughout.

BREAK

10 Minute Break

DISCUSSION

Discussion items: Housing initiatives, incentives, land lord programs, rehabilitation, new projects, grant opportunities, dedicated motel tax and short-term rentals, Gateway corner, American Flag, message board, street resurfacing, alleys and intersections, City Clean Vision, recycling, city pickups, tree maintenance, derelict properties, vacant properties, discussion ensued throughout.

BREAK

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Discussion items: Bean Blossom parking lot maintenance; street scape deteriorating, investment of infrastructure, beautification, Arts & Culture, Historic Dixon Theatre, Coalition on the Arts, Next Picture Show, City Band, public art strategy, city volunteer groups; public safety, shooting range, Christmas decorations, structural inspections, RAISE grant updates, tree maintenance, keeping morale up, landlords, tenants, codes update, human resources structure.

LUNCH BREAK
30 Minute Break

Note: Councilman Considine left the meeting at 12:15pm.

Discussion items: Timbercreek annexations; council priorities and key goals, partnerships, housing, comprehensive plan items, fire department, economic development, workforce development, infrastructure items.

BREAK
10 Minute Break

Jon Mandrell gave a recap of meeting. Discussion ensued.

ADJOURMENT

Mayor Hughes called the meeting as adjourned.

The meeting adjourned at 2:37pm.

CITY CLERK