

COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DIXON, ILLINOIS
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – CITY HALL
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2025
4:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Hughes at 4:01pm.

ROLL CALL

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

Absent: None

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was cited.

VISITOR/PUBLIC COMMENT

Bob Pilling – gave his background and memories of the Dixon Historic Theatre. He works at WLLT and the new owner has agreed to an investment contract of \$28,500 which fronts the cost for five acts. Interested in supporting the theatre and its association with WLLT, and encourage to support the theatre.

Judy Webb – gave her background and her excitement when the theatre got going again. She volunteered at the theatre a few years ago. She is glad she doesn't have to drive an hour and a half to other venues to have music all through the year. Shows are amazing, get the young generation into this. Hopes we can keep it going for a long time.

Jeff Bridgeman – gave his background in Dixon and the theatre. Amazing how it has been involved in his life, how it helped and the impact it had. So much that it builds in a young kid into an adult. Doesn't have to drive out of town to see shows, and does things downtown before and after the shows. Brings in a south California culture, brings friends downtown.

WORK SESSION

Departments presented their Capital Expense Requests. City Manager Langloss – Building & Zoning and Public Safety Building; Police Chief Howell – Police; Streets and Properties Manager Venier – Street, Public Property, and Cemetery. Discussion ensued throughout presentations. Public Works Director/Assistant City Manager Heckman gave a Project Rock update on funding, costs, work schedule, expected finish of summer of 2026, discussion ensued. City Manager Langloss – all presentations are done and adjustments can be made up until the budget is passed, but would like to get as close as possible the final version before placing on file.

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Mayor Hughes opened up discussions on anything in the budget. Discussion ensued regarding donations requests. After discussions general consensus for donations in the budget: IMPACT-\$20,000; Next Picture Show-\$25,000; CEO Program-\$5,000; Dixon Theatre-\$250,000; Sister Cities-\$6,000.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilman Bishop moved that the Special Council Meeting of Monday, February 24, 2025 meet in Executive Session to consider the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees pursuant to Section 2(c)(1) of the Open Meetings Act. Seconded by Councilman Venier. Voting Yea: Councilman Bishop, Considine, Oros, Venier, and Mayor Hughes. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Carried**

RECONVENE

Councilman Oros moved that the Special Council Meeting of Monday, February 24, 2025, reconvene into open session. Seconded by Councilman Considine. Voting Yea: Councilman Bishop, Considine, Oros, Venier, and Mayor Hughes. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Carried**

COMMENTS

All items have been addressed, the Special Meeting scheduled for tomorrow will be cancelled.

ADJOURMENT

Mayor Hughes declared the meeting adjourned.

The meeting adjourned at 6:04pm.

CITY CLERK