

DANVILLE CITY COUNCIL
FEBRUARY 16, 2016

#1...THE REGULAR MEETING of the City Council of the City of Danville was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Scott Eisenhauer.

THE ROLL CALL was answered by Mayor Scott Eisenhauer, Aldermen Jon Cooper, R.J. Davis, Sharon McMahon, Steve Nichols, Michael O'Kane, Sherry Pickering, Michael Puhr, Lloyd Randle, Rick Strebing, and Tom Stone. Absent were Vice Mayor Rickey Williams, Jr., Aldermen Brenda Brown and Steve Foster with one vacancy in Ward 2. A quorum was present.

Staff Members Present: Assistant Corporation Counsel Bethany Nystrom, City Clerk Lisa Monson, City Comptroller Gayle Lewis, City Treasurer Stephanie Wilson, Corporation Counsel Dave Wesner, Engineering & Urban Services Director David Schnelle, Golf & Sports Facility Manager Brock Burton, Human Relations Administrator Sandra Finch, Information Technology Administrator Agnel DSilva, Public Safety Director Larry Thomason, Public Transportation Director Lisa Beith, and Public Works Director Doug Ahrens.

There were also 13 audience members and 2 news media in attendance.

#2...INVOCATION was given by Rev. Thomas Miller, Pastor, New Life Church of Faith, followed by #3...THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE led by Alderman Pickering.

#4...THE MINUTES of the regular meeting held, February 02, 2016, having been published and distributed, was presented. Alderman Cooper moved for approval as presented, seconded by Alderman Pickering. On the voice vote, the motion so ordered.

#5...THE AGENDA for the evening was presented. Mayor Eisenhauer announced the removal of Item 12-A City Clerk's Report. There being no further changes, Alderman Cooper moved for approval as amended, seconded by Alderman Stone. On the voice vote, all ayes, no nays; the motion so ordered.

#6...MAYOR'S REPORT

#6-A..Proclamations - None

#6-B..Board/Committee Appointments - None

#6-C..Reports of Boards, Agencies, Commissions - None

#6-D..Items of Information

- Introduction of the 2016 Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarship Recipient
Mrs. Mary Thompson, MLK Committee Chair, thanked Mayor Eisenhauer, the City Council and the Community for their support enabling the Committee to continue to award the scholarship. Mrs. Thompson noted 2016 is the 20th year for the scholarship. She then introduced the 2016 MLK Scholarship Recipient Damon Burnett, who presented his essay "I Have a Dream".
- Mayor Eisenhauer announced Governor Rauner will present his Illinois Budget Address tomorrow and stated he will contact everyone if there is anything relevant to Municipal Government in the address.
- Mayor Eisenhauer congratulated Lisa Monson, City Clerk for reaching the status of MCI (Municipal Clerks of Illinois) Registered Clerk.

- Mayor Eisenhower wished a Happy Birthday to Kathy Courson who had a recent birthday as well as Sandra Finch and Doug Ahrens who will have a birthday in the next few days.

#7...PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, AUDIENCE COMMENTS

- Kevin Davis of Danville invited everyone to attend the third annual Stewardship Day event to recognize entities and individuals who have made positive strides in the Community. The event will be held Sunday, April 10th at Central Christian Church. Reverend Robinson from St. James United Methodist Church will be the speaker.
- Vince Koers of Danville addressed the issue of not having handicapped parking spots near the main entrance of the municipal building where the elevator is located. Mr. Koers also questioned if there will be an opportunity for public review and input for the Stormwater Report.

#8...ZONING PETITIONS – None

#9...PAYROLL

Mayor Eisenhower presented Payrolls for February 05, 2016, of \$499,926.20 and February 12, 2016, of \$64,918.73. Alderman Randle moved to dispense with the readings and asked for approval as presented, seconded by Alderman Cooper. There being no questions, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen McMahon, Stone, Strebing, Pickering, O’Kane, Randle, Cooper, Puhr, Nichols, Davis

Nays: None

Absent: Aldermen Williams, Foster, Brown

Motion carried 10 to 0 with 3 absent and 1 vacancy in Ward 2.

#10...SCHEDULE OF VOUCHERS PAYABLE

Mayor Eisenhower presented the Schedule of Vouchers Payable, having been published, posted, and distributed, for February 9, 2016, of \$243,618.49 and for February 16, 2016, of \$285,092.93.

Alderman Puhr moved to dispense with the readings and asked for approval as presented, seconded by Alderman Stone. There being no questions or further discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen Stone, Strebing, Pickering, O’Kane, Randle, Cooper, Puhr, Nichols, Davis, McMahon

Nays: None

Absent: Aldermen Williams, Foster, Brown

Motion carried 10 to 0 with 3 absent and 1 vacancy in Ward 2.

#11...PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE REPORT

#11-A..Chairman Puhr presented RESOLUTION NO. 2016-9 approving Acceptance of Danville Mass Transit’s Title VI Program Submission for the Federal Transit Administration as recipient of federal funding requires compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval as recommended by Committee, seconded by Alderman Cooper. There being no further questions or discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen Strebing, Pickering, O’Kane, Randle, Cooper, Puhr, Nichols, Davis, McMahon, Stone

Nays: None

Absent: Aldermen Williams, Foster, Brown

Motion carried 10 to 0 with 3 absent and 1 vacancy in Ward 2.

#11-B..Chairman Puhr presented RESOLUTION NO. 2016-10 awarding Bid 551 to Coker Family, Inc (dba) Battery Specialists + Golf Cars and authorizing the purchase of (25) 2016 Model Club Car

Precedent I2 Electric Golf Carts for the total amount of \$74,625.90, authorizing the trade-in of 24 E-Z-GO TXT Series carts, authorizing a Budget Amendment to increase Harrison Park Repay Cart Loan in the amount of \$74,625.90 with funds from the proceeds of a loan for Harrison Park Golf Course, and authorizing bids be solicited for financing for a five-year period, moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval as recommended by Committee, seconded by Alderman Strebing. Alderman Cooper asked what the advantage was of ownership over leasing. Golf and Sports Facility Manager Brock Burton responded that with leasing there is a lot of paperwork involved and normally the carts are kept and maintained throughout their lifespan. With a lease, we would own them outright before we decided to get rid of them. Mayor Eisenhauer stated that leasing is a better option if the fleet is going to be turned in when the lease is up and we want to keep the carts until they are no longer usable. Alderman Cooper asked if the City owns all of the carts now or if some are leased and some owned. Director Ahrens stated that half of the fleet is leased when 30 carts were leased last year with six lease payments. The carts were \$2,500.00 each for the lease without a windshield and the proposed purchase price is \$2,900.00 each including a windshield with a five year loan and the trade-ins. There being no further questions or discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen Pickering, O'Kane, Cooper, Puhr, Nichols, Davis, McMahon, Stone, Strebing

Nays: Alderman Randle

Absent: Aldermen Williams, Foster, Brown

Motion carried 9 to 1 with 3 absent and 1 vacancy in Ward 2.

Chairman Puhr presented Items C & D for a single vote, moved to dispense with the readings and asked for approval of both items. There being no objections, the motion was seconded by Alderman Strebing. Those items being:

#11-C..RESOLUTION NO. 2016-11 Payment for Emergency Sanitary Sewer Repairs on Jackson Street near Orchard to Cross Construction in the amount of \$34,122.46, funds to come from the Sanitary Sewer Fund-Maintenance of Sanitary Sewers; and

#11-D..RESOLUTION NO. 2016-12 Payment for Emergency Storm Sewer Repairs near Ninth Street Storm Sewer Crossing to Owens Excavating & Trucking LLC in the amount of \$20,316.61, funds to come from the Streets Division Budget-Maintenance of Storm Sewers.

There being no discussion or questions, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen O'Kane, Cooper, Puhr, Nichols, Davis, McMahon, Stone, Strebing, Pickering

Nays: Alderman Randle

Absent: Aldermen Williams, Foster, Brown

Motion carried 9 to 1 with 3 absent and 1 vacancy in Ward 2.

#11-E..Items of Information

To address audience member Mr. Koers question regarding the chance for public comment on the Stormwater Report, Director Schnelle advised there will be a draft document put on display for public comment and review for the Stormwater Master Plan project.

[The next Public Works Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 8, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.]

#12 PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

#12-A..previously removed.

#12-B..Chairman Nichols presented the City Treasurer's Report for November 2015, moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval and placement on file, seconded by Alderman Cooper. The report as follows: Statement of Receipts and Disbursements for November 2015 stating a Beginning Balance on November 1, 2015, of \$19,391,656.52, Receipts of \$4,287,130.24,

Disbursements of \$7,608,553.20, an Ending Balance on November 30, 2015, of \$16,070,233.56 and a Cash Balance of \$2,500,590.86. There being no questions, on the voice vote, all ayes, no nays; the motion so ordered.

#12-C..Chairman Nichols presented ORDINANCE NO. 9034 authorizing the Repayment of Bonds for Capital Improvements to the Public Safety Building (PSB) and approving an amended and Restated Lease Agreement to be entered into between the Danville Public Building Commission, Vermilion County, Illinois, as lessor, and The County of Vermilion, Illinois, and the City of Danville, Vermilion County, Illinois, as lessees, and providing for the levy and collection of a direct annual tax sufficient to pay the rent payable by the City under such lease Agreement with the Repayment of Bonds for Capital Improvements to the Public Safety Building, moved to dispense with the readings and asked for approval as recommended by Committee, seconded by Alderman Strebing. Mayor Eisenhauer passed out a list of Public Safety Building and Juvenile Detention Center Proposed Projects and stated the items on this list are well past their lifespan. He also handed out a Danville Public Building Commission Proposed Public Building Revenue Bonds, Series 2016 with Proposed Levies for Vermilion County and the City of Danville. A significant amount of maintenance money on an annual basis to nurture and in many of these cases the price to purchase them is escalating on an annual basis. Rather than putting additional money into our lease to set aside for Capital Improvement opportunities in the future and trying to accomplish this list over a five to ten year period, which would also mean, additional money being spent toward maintenance and additional dollars being spent upon its purchase at a later date rather than now and advocates that we would be better off using those same dollars towards a bond and trying to get all of these items done in the next three years. Mayor Eisenhauer addressed the generator at the PSB which recently caught fire and stated the PSB was built around it which indicates the generator is very large. Mayor Eisenhauer clarified the City of Danville is not going out for a bond; the Danville Public Building Commission is going out for a bond. The Danville Public Building Commission's Revenue comes from two sources; Vermilion County, which pays 70% and the City, which pays 30%. The reason the City pays 30% is because we lease 30% of the square footage to house our Police and other staff. City Comptroller Gayle Lewis added that based on the projected numbers, it would add an additional \$56,000.00 a year on what was budgeted in December. Alderman McMahon asked why the few years in the middle at such a lower rate. Mayor Eisenhauer responded that the County side goes up during that time; therefore, the City's would go down. City Comptroller Gayle Lewis added that during those years we would only be paying interest until the County finishes paying their 2001 bond. Chairman Nichols stated that there were years when they did not do enough preventative maintenance and this is what happens when that occurs and is glad we have more of a coherent plan. Mayor Eisenhauer praised Bruce Ford, Building Superintendent at the Public Safety Building for spending such a great deal of time assessing the PSB and getting a much better handle on what the current situation is and what the likely future situation will be and he thanked Mr. Ford for his diligence. Alderman Pickering asked what the three things were that the payment included. Mayor Eisenhauer responded the bond repayment, operations & maintenance. Alderman Stone asked whether or not this bond was secured by property tax and the Mayor responded that it is.

Ayes: Aldermen Randle, Cooper, Puhr, Nichols, Davis, McMahon, Stone, Strebing, Pickering, O'Kane

Nays: None

Absent: Aldermen Williams, Foster, Brown

Motion carried 10 to 0 with 3 absent and 1 vacancy in Ward 2.

#12-D..Items of Information

Chairman Nichols announced the next Public Services Committee Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 23, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.

#13...ITEMS OF INFORMATION

- Mayor Eisenhauer announced a Cash Flow Report was handed out from Comptroller Lewis and encouraged everyone to feel free to ask questions if they have any.
- Mayor Eisenhauer reminded everyone of the vacancy in Ward 2 and asked everyone to contact him if they know of someone interested in serving on the Council and lives in Ward 2.
- Mayor Eisenhauer announced Alderman Puhr's mother, Dorothy Puhr, turned 90 on Valentine's Day. Mayor Eisenhauer thanked Alderman Puhr for the invite to the birthday celebration.

#14...CLOSED SESSION

Alderman Randle moved to go into Closed Session under Section 2(c)(1) of the Open Meetings Act to discuss Specific Employees, Section 2(c)(2) of the Open Meetings Act to discuss Collective Bargaining Matters and Salary Schedules, and Section 2(c)(11) of the Open Meetings Act to discuss Pending Litigation seconded by Alderman Pickering. The roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen Puhr, Nichols, Davis, McMahon, Stone, Pickering, O'Kane, Randle

Nays: Aldermen Strebing, Cooper

Absent: Aldermen Williams, Foster, Brown

Motion carried 8 to 2 with 3 absent and 1 vacancy in Ward 2.

TIME: 6:44 p.m.

Alderman Randle moved to return to Open Session, seconded by Alderman Pickering. On the voice vote, all ayes, no nays; the motion so ordered. Mayor Eisenhauer called the meeting back to order at 7:36 p.m.

#15...ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned by acclamation at 7:37 p.m. following a motion by Alderman Stone and a second by Alderman Pickering.



Lisa K. Monson, City Clerk

I, Lisa K. Monson, City Clerk of the City of Danville, Illinois, do hereby certify that the foregoing Minutes are a true and correct copy of the regular meeting held February 16, 2016, as the same appears on the records of the City now in my custody and keeping.

Lisa K. Monson, City Clerk

Approved: 03/01/16

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