

DANVILLE CITY COUNCIL  
JUNE 2, 2015

#1....THE REGULAR MEETING of the City Council of the City of Danville was called to order at 6:02 p.m. by Mayor Scott Eisenhauer.

THE ROLL CALL was answered by Mayor Scott Eisenhauer, Aldermen Brenda Brown, Jon Cooper, R.J. Davis, Steve Foster, Frank Hoskins, Sharon McMahan, Steve Nichols, Sharon Pickering, Lloyd Randle, Rick Strebing, Michael O'Kane, and Michael Puhr. Absent were Vice Mayor Rickey Williams, Jr. and Alderman Tom Stone. A quorum was present. Vice Mayor Williams arrived at 6:07 p.m.

Staff Members Present: City Clerk Lisa Monson, City Comptroller Gayle Lewis, Corporation Counsel David Wesner, Engineering & Urban Services Director David Schnelle, Human Relations Administrator Sandra Finch, Human Resources Administrator Bill Westphal, Information Technology Administrator Agnel D'Silva, Planning & Urban Services Manager Christopher Milliken, Public Safety Director Larry Thomason, Public Transportation Director Lisa Beith, and Public Works Director Doug Ahrens.

There were also 14 audience members and 3 news media in attendance.

*[Vice Mayor Williams arrived at 6:07 p.m. during the invocation and took his seat at the dais.]*

#2....INVOCATION was given by Reverend Jeremy Zerkle, Pastor, Community Church of God followed by

#3....THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE led by Alderman Cooper.

#4....THE MINUTES of the regular meeting held, May 19, 2015, having been published and distributed, were presented. Alderman Randle moved for approval as presented, seconded by Alderman Cooper. On the voice vote, the motion so ordered.

#5....THE AGENDA for the evening was presented. Mayor Eisenhauer announced there will be no need for Closed Session so there will be no action on Item 14-A. There being no further changes, Alderman Brown moved for approval as amended, seconded by Vice Mayor Williams. 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

- Mayor Eisenhauer introduced Scott Bennett, State Senator of the 52<sup>nd</sup> District, appointed in January 2015 to replace Mike Frerichs who was elected to the Office of State Treasurer. Mayor Eisenhauer stated Senator Bennett has reached out to the City numerous times on pieces of legislation to ask the City's input on issues affecting Danville and Vermilion County. Senator Bennett thanked Mayor Eisenhauer for helping him out by testifying at hearings in Urbana and Springfield and updated the Council on legislation that impacts the City and Vermilion County. He also stated a budget has been passed, but feels there will be more

changes when legislators return to Springfield for a continuous session on June 5. Vice Mayor Williams voiced appreciation to Senator Bennett for his efforts in restoring funding to Project Success for their Teen Reach program.

- The City Council orientation will be held Thursday, June 18 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at City Hall.
- Alderman O’Kane will be celebrating a birthday on June 6 and was wished a “Happy Birthday”.
- Human Relations Administrator Sandra Finch was congratulated on her recent wedding.

#### #7...PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, AUDIENCE COMMENTS

- Cyril Ostiguy of Danville questioned payments to Ragan Communications, Inc. and Carle.
- Amber Lucas, petitioner for the Special Use Permit requesting a seamstress business, stated sewing is one of her passions and would like to earn extra income for the family, plans to comply with the ordinance and understands the restrictions regarding parking and the number of customers allowed at one time.
- Lynn McLinden of Danville spoke concern of the seamstress business location being a half block from a busy intersection and suggested language clarification regarding the shared driveway with the adjacent property owner.
- Joyce Bourn of Danville spoke concern of icy conditions during the winter months with the driveway she shares with the petitioner of the seamstress business and supports the business if the customers use the front entrance and park on the street.
- Bill Bland of Danville spoke in opposition to the seamstress business and submitted a petition of opposition that included 16 signatures from 11 different property owners surrounding the petitioners address.

#### #8...ZONING PETITIONS

#8-A.. Mayor Eisenhauer presented Special Use Permit #222, ORDINANCE NO. 8993, amending the Zoning Ordinance and Map to allow a Special Use Permit at 1909 N. Gilbert Street for Petitioner Amber Lucas to allow for a seamstress business as a home occupation. During a Public Hearing on May 7, 2015, the Planning & Zoning Commission voted 3 to 2 with 4 absent to recommend approval with the following conditions: 1) No one other than the petitioner is employed in this home occupation at this location; 2) A written and recorded access agreement for the use of the shared driveway between the subject property and 1907 N. Gilbert St. is in place prior to the establishment of the home occupation; 3) Only one customer/client at a time is allowed on the subject property at any time; 4) No signage associated with the home occupation is present on the property at any time; and 5) All customer/client parking is restricted to available on street parking only. Alderman Strebing moved to concur with the recommendation, seconded by Alderman Nichols. Questions arose regarding the shared driveway access agreement and Manager Milliken reported the Planning & Zoning members discussed the agreement and the members not concurring were voting against the petition itself. Corporation Counsel Wesner reviewed the agreement and stated it was with the previous property owner at 1909 N. Gilbert St. and indicates the owner of 1909 N. Gilbert St. is granting use to 1907 N. Gilbert St. so liability would have already existed for anybody using 1909 N. Gilbert St. Aldermen Brown and McMahan voiced support of the petition and feels there is a need in the City for this type of business. Alderman Foster voiced concern of the vote from the nine member Planning & Zoning Commission Board does not seem reflective of the entire Committee with only five members present for the vote. Alderman Cooper will not be supporting the petition due to calls he has received from neighbors of the petitioner who oppose the business in their neighborhood. Alderman Nichols respects the neighbors concerns, but feels with this type of business there will be very limited clientele and if the conditions are not met the permit can be revoked. Alderman Puhr supports the



petition and feels the driveway issue has been resolved and also wished more of the Planning & Zoning members would have been in attendance at their meeting. Vice Mayor Williams also feels there is a need for this type of business and only 11 of the 78 surrounding property owners within a two block radius objected to the petition so he will be voting yes. Alderman Hoskins feels the Bourn's issues have been addressed and will be supporting the petition. There being no further questions or discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen Brown, Hoskins, Davis, McMahan, Williams, Strebing, Pickering, Puhr, Nichols, Foster

Nays: Aldermen O'Kane, Randle, Cooper

Absent: Alderman Stone

Motion carried 10 to 3 with 1 absent.

#### #9....PAYROLL

Mayor Eisenhauer presented Payrolls for May 22, 2015 of \$79,991.25 and May 29, 2015 of \$512,870.47. Alderman Cooper moved to dispense with the readings and asked for approval as presented, seconded by Alderman Randle. Alderman O'Kane voiced concern of the Fire Division's overtime of \$22,000.00 on the May 29 payroll and feels there is something wrong with the way things are being done as there is \$180,000.00 budgeted for overtime and at this rate the total will be around \$500,000.00 at the end of the year. Vice Mayor Williams stated there are a lot of things not included in that total such as pensions that will increase to millions of dollars over years if we keep the amount of personnel we have currently. Alderman O'Kane requested to see the numbers including insurance and other costs. Mayor Eisenhauer stated Comptroller Lewis and he will get that information together. There being no further questions, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen Hoskins, Davis, McMahan, Williams, Strebing, Pickering, O'Kane, Randle, Cooper, Puhr, Nichols, Foster, Brown

Nays: None

Absent: Alderman Stone

Motion carried 13 to 0 with 1 absent.

#### #10...SCHEDULE OF VOUCHERS PAYABLE

Mayor Eisenhauer presented the Schedule of Vouchers Payable, each having been published, posted, and distributed, for May 26, 2015, of \$209,156.93 and for June 2, 2015, of \$136,891.35. Alderman Cooper moved to dispense with the readings and asked for approval as presented, seconded by Alderman Brown. Staff addressed questions of various vouchers, as follows:

- Payment made to Ragan Communications, Inc. is a Vortex R4 electronics cabinet which is an EMA siren cabinet with electronics;
- Carle payment is for 33 fire fighter physicals which are required by contract;
- Payment to Froggy's Fog is Firebase SG-1300 Smoke Generator for Fire Division training; and
- Payment to Gametime c/o Cunningham Recreation is for Douglas Park swing sets.

Alderman O'Kane questioned the policy on credit cards and which employees are allowed to have a credit card. Comptroller Lewis stated most department heads and some of their superintendents have credit cards with the department head being in control of credit cards in their department. Alderman O'Kane questioned a credit card charge from Bruce Stark, Technical Service and Evidence Manager. Director Thomason responded Mr. Stark uses a credit card when setting up travel for officers and Mayor Eisenhauer stated every credit card has to have at least three approvals or signatures. Alderman O'Kane requested a short detail on the credit card policy. Alderman Foster questioned if debit cards should be used so there would be no extra charges. Comptroller Lewis stated she will look into it. There being no further questions or discussion, the roll call vote being:



Ayes: Aldermen Davis, McMahon, Williams, Strebing, Pickering, O’Kane, Randle, Cooper, Puhr, Nichols, Foster, Brown, Hoskins

Nays: None

Absent: Alderman Stone

Motion carried 13 to 0 with 1 absent.

#### #11...PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE REPORT

##### #11-A..Items of Information

- Chairman Puhr announced the next Public Works Committee meeting will be Tuesday, June 9, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.
- Director Ahrens announced there have been multiple recent sewer digs including storm and sanitary throughout the Community. One of current digs is a sanitary sewer that crosses Vermilion Street in the area of Village Mall near Buffalo Wild Wings that has a tin whistle with some type of a lining in it that was constructed with a carrier pipe that actually goes under Vermilion Street and extends to the east under the parking lot at the Village Mall. Public Works crews and Drennan Septic Service were hoping to install a bypass pump in order to do a localized repair, but the pipe under Vermilion Street is deteriorated so hopefully the sanitary sewer can be lined. If it is discovered the lining is not viable then the project will get very expensive as currently the cost is well above the \$20,000.00 threshold for Council approval.

#### #12...PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

#12-A.. Chairman Nichols, presented the City Clerk’s Report of Licenses for approval, moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval, seconded by Alderman Hoskins. The report as follows:

##### LICENSES:

None

##### FIREWORKS DISPLAY PERMITS:

Danville Boat Club – 07/04/15 (Rain date: 07/05/15)

Danville Township – 06/06/15 (Rain date: 06/26/15)

There being no questions, on the voice vote, all ayes, no nays; the motion so ordered.

#12-B..Chairman Nichols presented amended RESOLUTION NO. 2015-61 authorizing the Purchase of COMODO Endpoint Security Software Manager and Anti-Spam Gateway Software, for a three year agreement with COMODO Security, Inc. in the amount of \$13,005.00, to come from the Capital Improvement Fund-Computer budget, moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval as recommended by Committee, seconded by Alderman Brown. There being no questions or discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen McMahon, Williams, Strebing, Pickering, O’Kane, Randle, Cooper, Puhr, Nichols, Foster, Brown, Hoskins, Davis

Nays: None

Absent: Alderman Stone

Motion carried 13 to 0 with 1 absent.

#12-C..Chairman Nichols presented RESOLUTION NO. 2015-62 authorizing a Two Year Agreement with AT&T for 36 to 40 POTS Lines, in the amount of \$28.00 each per month, moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval as recommended by Committee, seconded by Alderman Strebing. There being no questions or discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen Williams, Strebing, Pickering, O’Kane, Randle, Cooper, Puhr, Nichols, Foster



Brown, Hoskins, Davis, McMahon

Nays: None

Absent: Alderman Stone

Motion carried 13 to 0 with 1 absent.

#12-D..Chairman Nichols presented RESOLUTION NO. 2015-63 authorizing Submission of Application for 2015 JAG Grant (Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance) in the amount of \$26,960.00, to be used jointly with Vermilion County, with the City's portion being \$15,098.00 to be used to purchase Tazers for the Police Division, moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval as recommended by Committee, seconded by Alderman McMahon. There being no questions or discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen Strebing, Pickering, O'Kane, Randle, Cooper, Puhr, Nichols, Foster, Brown, Hoskins, Davis, McMahon, Williams

Nays: None

Absent: Alderman Stone

Motion carried 13 to 0 with 1 absent.

Chairman Nichols presented Items E and F for a single vote, moved to dispense with the readings and asked for approval as recommended by Committee. There being no objections, Alderman Hoskins seconded. Those items being:

#12-E..RESOLUTION NO. 2015-64 amending the CDBG (Community Development Block Grant) Annual Action Plan for Program Year 2013; and

#12-F..RESOLUTION NO. 2015-65 amending the CDBG (Community Development Block Grant) Annual Action Plan for Program Year 2014.

Alderman McMahon asked if the money was used yet and Manager Milliken responded as far as the 2013 Program Year this is the last of the funding and the 2014 Program Year is what is being currently utilized. There being no further questions or discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen Pickering, O'Kane, Randle, Cooper, Puhr, Nichols, Foster, Brown, Hoskins, Davis, McMahon, Williams, Strebing

Nays: None

Absent: Alderman Stone

Motion carried 13 to 0 with 1 absent.

#12-G..Items of Information - None

*[The next Public Services meeting will be held Tuesday, June 23, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.]*

### #13...ITEMS OF INFORMATION

- Alderman Hoskins announced Danville Jaycees Springfest is taking place at the former Sager Campus parking lot on June 3 to June 7 from 6:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.
- Alderman Davis announced Garfield Park pool is now open and basketball will be played in Garfield Park this summer as well.
- Alderman Hoskins stated there will be a tournament at Producer's Prairie Farms Park. Mayor Eisenhauer stated Danville Township has done a great job with the park.
- Vice Mayor Williams announced Project Success will be offering a free of charge summer program for Danville District 118 elementary students at Laura Lee Fellowship Hall. He also stated he is proud of the newly elected Aldermen for their participation in debate and discussion.

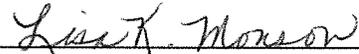
- Mayor Eisenhauer announced Quaker Oats began their Breakfast in the Park at Lincoln Park which is held every morning Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
- Mayor Eisenhauer stated the reason for not going into closed session is there is a tentative agreement with Police Command Officers, but they have not signed off on language in their contract. He anticipates hearing back from their attorney within the next two weeks.

#14...CLOSED SESSION was not needed

#14-A..previously removed

#15...ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned by acclamation at 7:14 p.m. following a motion by Alderman Strebing and a second by Alderman McMahon.



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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 June 2, 2015, as the same appears on the records of the City now in my custody and keeping.

Approved: 06/16/15  
Posted Publicly: 06/17/15

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Lisa K. Monson, City Clerk