

DANVILLE CITY COUNCIL
DECEMBER 6, 2011

#1....THE REGULAR MEETING of the City Council of the City of Danville was called to order at 6:08 p.m. by Mayor Scott Eisenhauer.

THE ROLL CALL was answered by Mayor Scott Eisenhauer, Aldermen William Black, Jon Cooper, Lois Cooper, Kevin Davis, Steve Foster, April Gilbert, Bill Gilbert, Sharon McMahon, Steve Nichols, Michael O'Kane, Michael Puhr, Thomas Stone, and Rickey Williams, Jr. Absent was Vice Mayor Rick Strebing. A quorum was present.

Staff Members Present: City Treasurer Lisa Monson, City Clerk Janet Myers, City Comptroller Gayle Lewis, City Engineer David Schnelle, Corporation Counsel David Wesner, Human Relations Administrator Sandra Houston, Human Resources Administrator Bill Westphal, Information Technology Administrator Teresa Winn, Public Safety Director Larry Thomason, Public Transportation Director Richard Brazda, Public Works Director Doug Ahrens, and Risk Manager Kathy Courson.

There were also 3 news media and 20 audience members in attendance.

#2....INVOCATION was given by Reverend Tommy Reed, followed by

#3....THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE led by Alderman Mike O'Kane.

#4....THE MINUTES of the regular meeting held November 15, 2011, having been published and distributed, were presented. Alderman Davis moved for approval, seconded by Alderman Stone. On the voice vote, the ayes carried; motion so ordered.

#5....THE AGENDA for the evening was presented by Mayor Eisenhauer. Alderman Davis moved for approval, seconded by Alderman L.Cooper. 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

- Deputy City Clerk Terasa Collins was thanked for decorating Council Chambers.
- Aldermen were invited to attend the City holiday luncheon on Wednesday, 12/7/11, at Noon in Council Chambers.

#7-A...PUBLIC HEARING on Proposed 2011 Tax Levy

Prior to opening the floor for Public Comment on the Proposed 2011 Tax Levy, Mayor Eisenhauer presented the 2011 Tax Levy totaling \$6,617,974.00, a 2.04% decrease over the 2010 Levy, with an estimated Equalized Assessed Valuation (EAV) of \$335,421.00 for a Tax Rate of \$1.9730, a .08% decrease over the 2010 Tax Rate. He stated if the Tax Rate comes in higher, there will be the ability to abate the levy with General Fund dollars. Vermilion County Supervisor of Assessment Matt Long was introduced to provide information regarding the tax rate. Mr. Long stated 2008, 2009, and 2010

were the worst years for real estate and that 2011 is not much better. He is projecting a 4% decrease in the EAV county-wide, which will be available by the end of January 2012. A county-wide multiplier will be put on temporarily to get to 33 1/3% of the market value and he is working with the various Townships on re-assessment of all properties in Vermilion County. He suggested that the Council be extremely cautious with its levy. After questions of the Aldermen were addressed by Mr. Long, Mayor Eisenhauer opened the Public Hearing. There being no one to speak on the proposed Tax Levy, the Public Hearing was closed.

#7...PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, AUDIENCE COMMENTS

- Jerry Hawker, representing the Danville Area Landlords Association, spoke in support of the proposed amendments to the Vacant Building ordinance and thanked the Mayor and administration for allowing the Association to provide input.
- Former Alderman and Co-Chairman of the Public Safety Revenue Committee Nancy O'Kane clarified that the Committee recommended creation of a promotional list for the Police Division so that one would be in place when the need arises, but was not intended to require the promotion of a Sergeant and then to hire another Officer as the resolution states.

#8...ZONING PETITIONS – None

#9...PAYROLL

Mayor Eisenhauer presented Payroll for November 18, 2011, of \$468,407.00, November 23, 2011, of \$62,714.58, and December 2, 2011, of \$482,393.53. Alderman J.Cooper moved to dispense with the readings and asked for approval as presented, seconded by Alderman Stone. There being no questions, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen Black, B.Gilbert, Puhr, Nichols, Foster, L.Cooper, Davis, A.Gilbert, McMahon, Stone, Williams, O'Kane, J.Cooper

Nays: None

Absent: Alderman Strebing

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 November 22, 2011, of \$1,105,287.20, for November 29, 2011, of \$6,083.46, and December 6, 2011, of \$ 204,215.33. Alderman J.Cooper moved to dispense with the readings and asked for approval as presented, seconded by Alderman O'Kane. There being no questions or discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen B.Gilbert, Puhr, Nichols, Foster, L.Cooper, Davis, A.Gilbert, McMahon, Stone, O'Kane, J.Cooper, Black

Nays: Alderman Williams, Black

Absent: Alderman Strebing

Motion carried 11 to 2 with 1 absent.

#11...PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE REPORT

#11-A..Chairman Puhr presented RESOLUTION NO. 2011-135 rejecting Bid #467 for Walnut Street Parking Garage Improvement Project, waiving certain Purchasing Policy requirements and authorizing a rebid of the project, moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval as recommended by Committee during a special meeting held just prior to Council meeting, seconded by Alderman J.Cooper. Alderman Williams questioned if the improvements were necessary for health and safety and City Engineer Schnelle stated the ramp from the top floor is currently closed due to

some of the original deck beams having known safety issues and it is the intent to eliminate this safety concern. The upper ramp is to be removed and two-way traffic will provide access to the top deck, as is now being done. There being no further questions or discussion, the roll call vote being:
Ayes: Aldermen Puhr, Nichols, Foster, L.Cooper, Davis, A.Gilbert, McMahon, Stone, Black, B.Gilbert, Williams, O'Kane, J.Cooper

Nays: None

Absent: Alderman Strebing

Motion carried 13 to 0 with 1 absent.

#11-B..Chairman Puhr presented RESOLUTION NO. 2011-136 awarding rejecting Bid #469 for the Municipal Building Flooring Installation Project and authorizing a rebid of the project to lowest responsible bidder Carpet Weavers, Inc. of Champaign in the amount of \$59,988.00, to come from 2009 Bond Issue Budget line item Municipal Building Renovations, moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval as recommended by Committee during a special meeting held just prior to Council meeting, seconded by Alderman J.Cooper. Chairman Puhr stated that three local suppliers picked up bid packets, with only one submitting a bid that was not opened due to receipt after the time of the bid opening. To address Alderman Davis' question on allocation of funding, it was stated part of the 2009 Bond Issue was earmarked for City Hall renovations. Chairman Nichols questioned the ability to open bids when received late and whether the project could be rebid if the bids were rejected. Mayor Eisenhower clarified that late bids are not opened and cautioned rebidding due to the risk of bid prices increasing since the bid amounts have now been published. It was explained that with the renovations already done when Public Works Department moved out of the building and other offices were relocated throughout the building, including most of second floor and Legal Division on first floor, it is the intent to replace carpeting throughout the remaining portion to be consistent. Alderman Black moved that the bids be rejected and the project be rebid, as reflected above with strikethrough and underline, seconded by Alderman Williams. Aldermen Black and McMahon voiced objection to replacing carpet in the lower level. Alderman Black questioned if some of the other areas were in need as well since it does not appear to be a safety issue; objected to awarding to an out-of-town vendor and suggested the Council adopt local preference policy and offer discounts in order to award contracts to local vendors. There being no further questions or discussion on the motion to reject and rebid, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen Nichols, Foster, L.Cooper, Davis, A.Gilbert, McMahon, Williams, J.Cooper, Black, Puhr

Nays: Aldermen Stone, O'Kane, B.Gilbert

Absent: Alderman Strebing

Motion carried 10 to 3 with 1 absent.

#11-C..Items of Information

- Alderman Williams voiced objection to special meetings being called without sufficient notice to the Committee members, other than receipt of the agenda packet, and requested that special meetings be kept to emergency situations only.
- Chairman Puhr announced the next Public Works Committee meeting on Tuesday, December 13, 2011, at 6:00 p.m.

#12...PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

Chairman Nichols presented Items #12-A through #12-D for a single vote, moved to dispense with the readings and for approval and placement on file. There being no objections, Alderman Foster seconded. Those items being:

#12-A..City Clerk's License Report, being:

BUSINESS LICENSES - None

RAFFLE LICENSE APPLICATIONS

Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite Bodies of the Valley of Danville

City of Danville Employee (CODE) Committee

North Ridge Show Choirs

Phil Koehn Cancer Benefit

#12-B..City Treasurer's Statement of Receipts and Disbursements for October 2011, stating a Beginning Balance on October 1, 2011, of \$14,385,359.14, Receipts of \$5,451,523.76, Disbursements of \$4,081,561.77, an Ending Balance on October 30, 2011, of \$15,755,321.13, and a Cash Balance of \$3,353,936.00;

#12-C. .Annual Report for 2010-2011 of the Police Pension Fund Board of Trustees showing current funded ratio of 43.4% and that \$2,331,484.00 is needed in 2012 to meet Police Pension obligations;

#12-D..Annual Report for 2010-2011 of the Fire Pension Fund Board of Trustees showing current funded ratio of 29.1% and that \$2,699,706.00 is needed in 2012 to meet Fire Pension obligations;

Alderman Williams questioned the delay in receiving the Treasurer's Reports until the time of the meeting and City Treasurer Monson stated there have been delays getting necessary information from the Finance Office due to staff vacancies. There being no further questions, on the voice vote, all ayes, no nays; the motion so ordered.

#12-E..Chairman Nichols presented RESOLUTION NO. 2011-137 authorizing Danville Public Building Commission to Update the Radio System, Telephone System, and Recording System for the 911 Center at the Public Safety Building for a sum not to exceed \$330,000.00, to come from the Danville Public Building Commission budget with \$280,000.00 from the Capital Improvements Budget and \$50,000.00 from the Maintenance Account Budget, moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval as recommended by the City/County Public Safety Building Committee, seconded by Alderman J.Cooper. Alderman Black questioned the reason for the upgrades and Director Thomason stated the current equipment is 30 years old and needs to be replaced for inter- and intra-operability, with an emphasis on digital technology. It was stated that upgrades to be in compliance with State Statute are ahead of schedule and that the 911 Board and Danville Public Building Commission have funds set aside for such improvements. After all questions were addressed and there being no further discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen Foster, L.Cooper, Davis, A.Gilbert, McMahon, Stone, Williams, O'Kane, J.Cooper, Black, B.Gilbert, Puhr, Nichols

Nays: None

Absent: Alderman Strebing

Motion carried 13 to 0 with 1 absent.

#12-F..Chairman Nichols presented RESOLUTION NO. 2011-138 awarding Bid #464 to Purchase Three Copiers from ~~GDS Office Technology of Champaign~~ DTI of Tilton for an amount of ~~\$38,355.00~~ \$41,400.00 plus monthly maintenance costs of ~~\$4,174.89~~ \$4,455.00, moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval as recommended by a committee of staff members who reviewed the bids and participated in demonstrations, seconded by Alderman Stone. Alderman Puhr questioned why the lower bid from RK Dixon was not recommended and Comptroller Lewis stated that after demonstrations of the various machines being offered, the staff committee liked both the CDS machines and those from DTI of Tilton. Alderman Puhr stated that DTI is the current vendor for copy

machines for the City, is a Vermilion County company that provides jobs for over 10 people living in or around Danville, pays \$35,000.00 in property taxes and generate sales tax dollars, has been providing a color copier the last 9 months for only cost of service contract when prior machine went down, provided a copier last winter for use during a snow emergency, and feels the company has demonstrated its commitment to Danville and Vermilion County with local service, support, and excellent response time, all of which justifies the difference in the higher cost. He then amended the resolution to award the contract to DTI of Tilton for an amount of \$41,400.00 plus monthly maintenance costs of \$4,455.00, as reflected above with strikethrough and underline, seconded Alderman B. Gilbert. Alderman Williams questioned sales tax revenue and Mayor Eisenhower clarified that since the business is located in Tilton, the City of Danville receives no property tax or sales tax revenue. Alderman Williams voiced support of keeping business in Vermilion County and stated the Boys & Girls Club uses DTI and they are very responsive when issues arise. Alderman Black voiced support of the amendment by stating the cost is worth keeping business with a company located within the immediate area. Alderman Foster voiced support of DTI as the cost of colored copies is .039 compared to .05 from CDS. Chairman Nichols stated he would support the amendment for this contract but cautioned the practice of local preference due to concerns that outside vendors will stop providing bids for various projects and thereby increasing the cost to the City of future contracts. Alderman Stone questioned the staff committee's recommendation and Comptroller Lewis stated the reason for not going with DTI is due to past experience with multiple copiers that were highly recommended breaking down multiple times, which first started within 6 months of receipt. She stated that while the response time is great from DTI, downtime creates many issues for employees who use it on a daily basis, including loss of productivity. There being no further discussion on the amendment to award the bid to DTI of Tilton, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen L. Cooper, Davis, A. Gilbert, McMahon, Williams, O'Kane, J. Cooper, Black, B. Gilbert, Puhr, Nichols, Foster

Nays: Alderman Stone

Absent: Alderman Strebing

Motion carried 12 to 1 with 1 absent.

#12-G. Chairman Nichols presented RESOLUTION NO. 2011-139 authorizing Request for Proposals (RFP) for Fire Department Recovery Billing Services, moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval without recommendation due to lack of a motion during the special Committee meeting held on November 28, 2011, seconded by Alderman Black. Alderman Puhr, Co-Chair of the Public Safety Revenue Committee, stated two companies were looked at with one being able to work with the current Fire House Software used by the Fire Division and, through a couple of example incidents, it appears that a company that specializes in emergency billing services can recover more of the costs incurred than is possible through in-house billing. He also stated a year with a billing company that has expertise in this type of billing would provide some history as to what is and what is not billable for possible future in-house billing. Chairman Nichols questioned the minimum length for contract and it was stated that was not discussed with either company. It was clarified that services intended for billing do not include any responses to City residents, only to non-residents who have emergency response services within the City limits and to any emergencies responded to outside the City limits, which is what the current ordinance has allowed for the past 8 years but which has yet to be implemented by the Fire Division. Upon further clarification, it was stated that individuals are to be billed directly, who can then forward to personal insurance companies for payment. Fees charged by the billing company would be negotiated at time of the RFP and would be included in the bill sent to the person receiving services so that there would be no cost to the City. Alderman Foster voiced concern with lack of information at the time of the Committee meeting and with aggressive tactics of collection agencies and voiced support of billing in-house if possible. When asked if other

communities were using such services, it was stated Westville is one of many that do. Alderman Davis voiced objection to an outside billing service since the Finance Office has ability to invoice the person based on information provided by the Fire Division and would prefer trying it in-house for a year before proceeding with other options. Alderman Stone agreed since Public Works Division has routinely processed invoices in-house for costs incurred in traffic accidents and spills. Alderman McMahon voiced support of an outside billing service to take the responsibility of what can be billed away from the Fire Division. Alderman Black voiced support of requesting the RFP and then deciding how to proceed. He also voiced support of finding a way to add a surcharge onto tickets issued by the Police and Fire Division in an attempt to recover some of the costs associated with the response. After all questions were addressed and there being no further discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen A.Gilbert, McMahon, Williams, O'Kane, J.Cooper, Black, B.Gilbert, Puhr, Nichols

Nays: Aldermen Davis, Stone, Foster, L.Cooper

Absent: Alderman Strebing

Motion carried 9 to 4 with 1 absent.

#12-H..Chairman Nichols presented an ordinance authorizing the Administration to add five-cents to the proposed 2011 Tax Levy Rate for the purpose of funding additional Public Safety Personnel, moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval without a recommendation due to lack of a motion during the special Committee meeting held on November 28, 2011, seconded by Alderman A.Gilbert. Alderman Puhr, Co-Chair of the Public Safety Revenue Committee, stated the Committee, as well as the Community-Wide Finance Sub-Committee a few years back, recommends such action to generate funds for Public Safety as was done by the County through an increase in sales tax. He also reported the Committee was not 100% in favor but felt the recommendation needed to be made. Chairman Nichols voiced support of discussing the recommendation during the budget process instead since the intent of the Council has been to keep General Fund expenses out of the Tax Levy. Alderman Williams stated he is a strong proponent of Public Safety and the need for Police Officers but would suggest other avenues besides increased taxes, such as a reduction in personnel in other departments and finding ways to be more efficient. Alderman Foster voiced opposition as the amount generated would not be sufficient to pay for even one Officer and due to the anticipated drop in the EAV that will create the need to abate the Levy with General Fund dollars. Alderman A.Gilbert, a member of the Revenue Committee, stated that although she strongly supports Public Safety and the need for additional officers, she is having a difficult time in supporting additional taxes at this time. Alderman Williams yielded time to Co-Chairman Nancy O'Kane who stated Police and Fire personnel are asked to protect property; therefore, the reason for adding the amount to property taxes. She thanked the Council for allowing discussion of the recommendation, even though there may not be any support for the action, in order to draw attention to the need and to get discussions going. After all questions were addressed and there being no further discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Alderman O'Kane

Nays: Aldermen A.Gilbert, McMahon, Stone, Williams, J.Cooper, Black, B.Gilbert, Puhr, Nichols, Foster, L.Cooper, Davis

Absent: Alderman Strebing

Motion failed 1 to 12 with 1 absent.

#12-I..Chairman Nichols presented a resolution authorizing the Administration to establish a Promotional List for Police Division, moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval without a recommendation due to lack of a motion during regular Committee meeting, seconded by Alderman A.Gilbert. Alderman Puhr, Co-Chair of the Public Safety Revenue Committee, stated the need for the list in order to fill the vacant Sergeant position, which should eliminate some of the

issues of overtime pay with callbacks to fill Command positions and the lack of qualified personnel to adequately lead and safeguard the other Officers. Alderman Foster voiced opposition to action that would require additional hiring when no funding is available. Alderman Puhr clarified that the Committee's recommendation was simply to create the list so that when funding comes available, the promotion could take place. Mayor Eisenhower clarified the language of the resolution was based on the Committee's desire to reduce overtime, which would be accomplished through the promotion to Sergeant and then the subsequent hiring of a new Patrol Officer, not simply by the creation of the list. It was stated that the process to create a list, which would be effective for three years, would take up to six months to accomplish and that there is a cost to the testing process. Alderman Williams voiced support of a list but cannot support hiring additional Officers due to lack of funding and the need to be more efficient. Alderman O'Kane voiced concern with safety of the Officers and the need for the list in order for promotions to take place if necessary and then moved to amend the resolution to only direct the creation of a Promotional List and remove language that mandates any promotions or hiring, seconded by Alderman Williams. Mayor Eisenhower stated that there is a vacancy for Sergeant and it is the intent of the Administration to hire when funds are available. To address questions regarding the filling in of Command Officers, Director Thomason clarified that other Sergeants are normally called in to fill in, except one incident this calendar year when a senior Officer with experience was called in to work above rank due to scheduling issues with the other Sergeants. He reported that for period December 15, 2010, through November 15, 2011, \$31,600.00 was spent on overtime, with \$4,600.00 for above rank pay. There being no further discussion on the amendment, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen Williams, O'Kane, Black, Nichols, Davis

Nays: Aldermen McMahan, Stone, J.Cooper, B.Gilbert, Puhr, Foster, L.Cooper, A.Gilbert

Absent: Alderman Strebing

Amendment failed 5 to 8 with 1 absent.

During further discussion on the original resolution, Alderman Nichols recommended the issue of hiring additional personnel be discussed during the budget process and Alderman Foster stated he would not support due to the cost of additional personnel being much higher than the cost of overtime. There being no further questions or discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen O'Kane, B.Gilbert, Puhr, A.Gilbert

Nays: Aldermen Stone, Williams, J.Cooper, Black, Nichols, Foster, L.Cooper, Davis, McMahan

Absent: Alderman Strebing

Motion failed 4 to 9 with 1 absent.

#12-J..Chairman Nichols presented ORDINANCE NO. 8764 amending Chapter 103 Public Nuisance – Motor Vehicles to include DUI, possessing drug paraphernalia, and possessing 2.5 grams of marijuana as offences in which a vehicle can be towed, moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval as recommended by Committee, seconded by Alderman L.Cooper. After Alderman Puhr explained the changes that were recommended by the Public Safety Revenue Committee, Alderman Williams voiced support and feels that those who cause the problems should pay for the Patrol Officer's response time. Alderman Black questioned the history on collection rate and Corporation Counsel Wesner stated a 90% payment rate due to the desire to recover the vehicle. He also clarified that towing and storage fees are handled directly by the towing company and are separate and above what the City charges. After questions were addressed and there being no further discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen Williams, O'Kane, J.Cooper, Black, B.Gilbert, Puhr, Nichols, Foster, L.Cooper, Davis, A.Gilbert, McMahan, Stone

Nays: None

Absent: Alderman Strebing

Motion carried 13 to 0 with 1 absent.

#12-K..Chairman Nichols presented ORDINANCE NO. 8765 amending Chapter 169 Vacant Buildings that clarifies conditions that would warrant registration as well as the process to meet compliance, moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval as recommended by Committee. There being no questions or discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen O'Kane, J.Cooper, Black, B.Gilbert, Puhr, Nichols, Foster, L.Cooper, Davis, A.Gilbert, McMahon, Stone, Williams

Nays: None

Absent: Alderman Strebing

Motion carried 13 to 0 with 1 absent.

Chairman Nichols presented Items #L-1 through #L-9 and asked that the documents be placed on public display until the Council meeting of December 20, 2011, seconded by Alderman L.Cooper. Those items being:

#12-L-1..an ordinance approving the 2011 Tax Levy of ~~\$6,617,974.00~~ \$6,492,974.00 a decrease of ~~2.04%~~ 3.89% over last year, assuming an Equalized Assessed Value of ~~\$335,424.00~~ \$328,970.00 for an estimated Tax Rate of ~~\$1.9730~~ \$1.9737, a decrease of ~~.08%~~ .04% over last year;

#12-L-2..an ordinance abating a portion of the 2011 Tax Levy for Series ~~2004~~ ^{2011 Jen} General Obligation Bonds in the amount of ~~\$49,128.06~~ from the Sanitary Sewer Fund; \$87,438.45 Jen

#12-L-3..an ordinance abating a portion of the 2011 Tax Levy for Series 2007 General Obligation Bonds in the amount of ~~\$48,968.06~~ from the Sanitary Sewer Fund; \$49,128.06 Jen

#12-L-4..an ordinance abating a portion of the 2011 Tax Levy for Series 2007 General Obligation Bonds in the amount of \$58,953.68 from the Solid Waste Fund;

#12-L-5..an ordinance abating a portion of the 2011 Tax Levy for Series 2007 General Obligation Bonds in the amount of \$160,782.75 from the Capital Improvements Fund;

#12-L-6..an ordinance abating a portion of the 2011 Tax Levy for Series 2011 General Obligation Bonds in the amount of ~~\$243,697.06~~ \$368,697.06 from the General Fund;

#12-L-7..an ordinance approving the 2011 Levy and Assessment of Taxes for Special Service Area Number One – Downtown Danville, Inc. in the amount of \$51,735.00;

#12-L-8..an ordinance establishing the Budget for calendar year 2012 for Special Service Area Number One – Downtown Danville, Inc. in the amount of \$138,435.00;

#12-L-9..an ordinance approving the Levy and Extension of Taxes within Special Service Area Number Two-Expanded in the amount of \$28,126.02, at a rate of \$30.00 per acre for the year 2011, payable in 2012;

Mayor Eisenhauer provided information that took into account a 4% reduction in the EAV, as projected by Vermillion County Supervisor of Assessment Matt Long. Chairman Nichols moved to amend Item #L-1 to reflect the change in the EAV for a 2011 Tax Levy, as reflected above with strikethrough and underline, and to increase the total abatement amount from \$600,000.00 to \$725,000.00, seconded by Alderman B.Gilbert. There being no discussion on the amendment to Item #L-1, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen O'Kane, J.Cooper, Black, B.Gilbert, Puhr, Nichols, Foster, L.Cooper, Davis, A.Gilbert, McMahon, Stone, Williams

Nays: None

Absent: Alderman Strebing

Motion carried 13 to 0 with 1 absent.

During further discussion, Alderman Foster moved to amend Item #L-6 to reflect an increase in the total abatement amount, as reflected above with strikethrough and underline, seconded by Alderman Williams. There being no discussion on the amendment to Item #L-6, the roll call vote being:
Ayes: Aldermen J.Cooper, Black, B.Gilbert, Puhr, Nichols, Foster, L.Cooper, Davis, A.Gilbert, McMahon, Stone, Williams, O'Kane

Nays: None

Absent: Alderman Strebing

Motion carried 13 to 0 with 1 absent.

There being no further discussion on the motion to place Items #L-1 through #L-9 on public display, as amended, on the voice vote, all ayes, no nays; the motion so ordered.

#12-M..Items of Information

The next Public Services Committee meeting will be Tuesday, December 27, 2011, at 6:00 p.m.

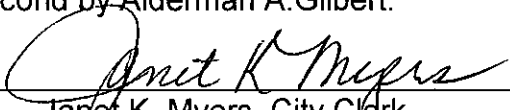
#13...CLOSED SESSION was not needed.

#14...ITEMS OF INFORMATION

- Alderman Puhr announced that the Public Safety Revenue Committee will continue to meet after the holidays to investigate more revenue ideas.
- Alderman Puhr announced American Legion will be serving ham and beans on Wednesday, December 7, 2011, from 11AM to 4PM.
- Alderman Black thanked Mayor Eisenhower for inviting Supervisor Matt Long to the meeting to address questions.
- Alderman Black requested that an ordinance be drafted to license and regulate towing operators.
- Alderman Stone invited all to attend "Bethlehem Live", presented by Central Christian Church on December 17 & 18, 2011, from 4PM to 7PM.

#15...ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned by acclamation at 8:27 p.m. following a motion by Alderman B.Gilbert and a second by Alderman A.Gilbert.



Janet K. Myers, City Clerk

I, Janet K. Myers, City Clerk of the City of Danville, Illinois, do hereby certify that the foregoing Minutes are a true and correct copy o the regular meeting held December 6, 2011, as the same appears on the records of the City now in my custody and keeping.

Janet K. Myers, City Clerk

Approved: 12/20/11

Posted Publicly: 12/21/11

Corrected: 12/29/11
Reposted: 12/29/11

