

DANVILLE CITY COUNCIL  
JANUARY 21, 2020

#1....THE REGULAR MEETING of the City Council of the City of Danville was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Rickey Williams, Jr. at the Robert E. Jones Municipal Building, 17 W. Main Street, Danville, Illinois.

THE ROLL CALL was answered by Mayor Rickey Williams, Jr., Vice Mayor Bob Iverson, Aldermen Brenda Brown, R.J. Davis, Steve Foster, Michael O'Kane, Sherry Pickering, James Poshard, Mike Puhr, Tom Stone, Rick Strebing, Aaron Troglia, and Robert Williams. Aldermen Dan Duncheon and Sharon McMahan were absent. A quorum was present. Mayor Williams announced Aldermen Duncheon and McMahan absences were excused.

Staff Members Present: City Clerk Lisa Monson, City Comptroller Ashlyn Massey, City Engineer Sam Cole, Corporation Counsel Charles Mockbee IV, Harrison Park Golf Course Manager Brock Burton, Human Relations Administrator Sandra Finch, Information Technology Administrator Agnel DSilva, Interim Fire Chief Don McMasters, Police Chief Chris Yates, Public Transportation Director Lisa Beith, and Public Works Director Carl Carpenter.

There were four audience members and two news media in attendance.

#2....INVOCATION was given by Reverend Randy Downing, Pastor, Rock Church, followed by  
#3....THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE led by Alderman Williams.

#4....THE MINUTES of the regular meeting held, January 7, 2020, having been published and distributed, were presented. Alderman Stone moved for approval as presented, seconded by Alderman Pickering. On the voice vote, all ayes, no nays; the motion so ordered.

#5....THE AGENDA for the evening was presented. Mayor Williams removed Item 6-A-1 and stated the item will be placed on the February 4, 2020 Council agenda. Alderman Brown moved for approval as amended, seconded by Alderman Troglia. 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

Administrator Finch thanked Mayor, Council Members, the staff and the community for helping the MLK Committee have a successful King celebration this past weekend. Mayor Williams stated the events were fantastic and so many people were delighted and encouraged by both the scholarship banquet as well as the community service on Monday. He thanked Administrator Finch, Mrs. Thompson, and the MLK Committee for all of their work on the event. Alderman Davis stated he has heard from many people that the 2020 event was one of the best.

#6-D... Items of Information

Mayor Williams announced there will be community-wide celebration and prayer service at The Assembly of God Church on Sunday, January 26th at 6:00 p.m.

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

#7-A... Mayor Williams opened the Public Hearing on the Annual Budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 at 6:06 p.m. and asked for audience comments. There being no audience comments or comments from the Aldermen, Mayor Williams closed the public hearing at 6:07 p.m.

Other Audience Comments

Joe Dunagan of Danville and General Manager of the David S. Palmer Arena thanked the Aldermen and Mayor for everything they do for the City. He stated he is happy to be back in Danville and is excited to be the new general manager of the Palmer Arena. Some upgrades and changes have already been made inside the facility and he is looking into negotiations to bring various events to the City.

#8.....ZONING PETITIONS – None

#9....PAYROLL

Mayor Williams presented the Payrolls, having been published, posted, and distributed, for run of January 10, 2020, of \$72,371.70, and for run of January 17, 2020, of \$538,588.67. Vice Mayor Iverson moved to dispense with the readings and asked for approval as presented, seconded by Alderman Strebing. There being no questions or discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen Pickering, O’Kane, Iverson, Strebing, Puhr, Foster, Brown, Davis, Poshard, Stone, Williams, Troglia

Nays: None

Absent: Aldermen Duncheon, McMahon

Motion carried 12 to 0 with 2 absent.

#10...SCHEDULE OF VOUCHERS PAYABLE

Mayor Williams presented the Schedule of Vouchers Payable, having been published, posted, and distributed, for run of January 14, 2020, of \$379,545.88 and for run of January 21, 2020, of \$288,589.71. Alderman Strebing moved to dispense with the readings and asked for approval as presented, seconded by Alderman Vice Mayor Iverson. After all questions were addressed, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen O’Kane, Iverson, Strebing, Puhr, Foster, Brown, Davis, Poshard, Stone, Williams, Troglia, Pickering

Nays: None

Absent: Aldermen Duncheon, McMahon

Motion carried 12 to 0 with 2 absent.

#11... ORDINANCE: AMENDING CHAPTER 116 OF THE CITY CODE PERTAINING TO TAXATION

Mayor Williams presented ORDINANCE NO. 9248 amending Chapter 116 of the City Code Pertaining to Taxation effective May 1, 2020 to amend Home Rule Municipal Use Tax under Chapter 116.10 and 116.11 with the proceeds from the tax distributed as follows: 3% 4% of the initial 2.50% 2.25% to the Economic Development line item of the Infrastructure Improvement Fund 107, 6% of the initial 2.50% to the Capital Improvement Fund 302, and 4% of the initial 2.50% to the Storm and Sanitary Sewer Fund 402. Ordinance #9066 increased the total Home Rule Municipal Use Tax by an additional .50% bringing the total Home Rule Municipal Use Tax to 2.75% effective January 1, 2017. Of the total 2.75%, 2.50% is deposited into the corporate fund of the City and the additional 0.25% is to be distributed to the Community Reinvestment Fund 310. ~~That additional .50% and only that additional .50% shall be divided equally between two different funds: (1/2) of the increased tax approved by Ordinance #9066 shall be distributed to the Community Reinvestment Fund (310) and (1/2) of the increased tax approved by Ordinance #9066 shall be distributed to the Storm and~~

~~Sanitary Sewer Fund (402)~~. Alderman Strebing moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval, seconded by Alderman Puhr. There being no questions or discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen Iverson, Strebing, Puhr, Foster, Brown, Davis, Poshard, Stone, Williams, Troglia, Pickering, O'Kane

Nays: None

Absent: Aldermen Duncheon, McMahon

Motion carried 12 to 0 with 2 absent.

#### #12...APPROVAL OF ANNUAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021

Mayor Williams presented the 2020-2021 Budget totaling \$53,205,737.00 for approval, as was presented and placed on public display January 7, 2020. Alderman Puhr moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval, seconded by Alderman Strebing. There being no questions or discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen Strebing, Puhr, Foster, Brown, Davis, Poshard, Stone, Williams, Troglia, Pickering, O'Kane, Iverson

Nays: None

Absent: Aldermen Duncheon, McMahon

Motion carried 12 to 0 with 2 absent.

#### #13...PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE REPORT

#13-A...Chairman Puhr presented RESOLUTION NO. 2020-2 authorizing Budget Amendment in Police Budget (021) for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 to increase the following expenditures: 001-021-00-53026-Clothing by \$10,000.00; 001-021-00-52099-Other Contractual Services by \$2,000.00; 001-021-00-51003-Court Time by \$8,000.00; 001-021-00-52016-Maintenance Equipment by \$4,200.00; 001-021-00-52051-Travel/Training by \$13,600.00; 001-021-00-53025-Clothing for New Hires by \$7,200.00 for a total of \$45,000.00 with the funds to come from the General Fund Reserve, moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval as recommended by Committee, seconded by Alderman Pickering. After all questions were addressed, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen Puhr, Foster, Brown, Davis, Poshard, Stone, Williams, Troglia, Pickering, O'Kane, Iverson, Strebing

Nays: None

Absent: Aldermen Duncheon, McMahon

Motion carried 12 to 0 with 2 absent.

#13-B...Chairman Puhr presented RESOLUTION NO. 2020-3 authorizing Transfer of Funds from State Narcotic Forfeiture Account to increase line item 104-104-00-54099-Other Expenditures by \$17,000.00 with funds to come from the State Narcotic Forfeiture Account, moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval as recommended by Committee, seconded by Alderman Pickering. There being no questions or discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen Foster, Brown, Davis, Poshard, Stone, Williams, Troglia, Pickering, O'Kane, Iverson, Strebing, Puhr

Nays: None

Absent: Aldermen Duncheon, McMahon

Motion carried 12 to 0 with 2 absent.

#13-C...Chairman Puhr presented RESOLUTION NO. 2020-4 authorizing Budget Amendment in Local Law Enforcement Fund (114) to increase line item 114-114-17-54099-Other Expenditures by \$18,148.00 with funds to come from revenues received from grant proceeds, 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 Brown, Davis, Poshard, Stone, Williams, Troglia, Pickering, O'Kane, Iverson, Strebing, Puhr, Foster

Nays: None

Absent: Aldermen Duncheon, McMahon

Motion carried 12 to 0 with 2 absent.

#13-D... Chairman Puhr presented RESOLUTION NO. 2020-5 approving Professional Services for Feasibility Study at Danville Mass Transit with Farnsworth Group for an amount not to exceed \$30,000.00 with the work to be paid for from the DATS-Program Professional Services line item 116-116-52029-19 20, to identify utilization of existing land for upgrades to the administrative and maintenance facilities or procure additional property to accommodate growth, 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 Davis, Poshard, Stone, Williams, Troglia, Pickering, O'Kane, Iverson, Strebing, Puhr, Foster, Brown

Nays: None

Absent: Aldermen Duncheon, McMahon

Motion carried 12 to 0 with 2 absent.

#13-E... Chairman Puhr presented RESOLUTION NO. 2020-6 rejecting Bid 642 for the Ellsworth Park Restroom/Concession Building as part of the OSLAD grant project with only one vendor providing a bid and the bid total exceeded funding resources available, 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 Poshard, Stone, Williams, Troglia, Pickering, O'Kane, Iverson, Strebing, Puhr, Foster, Brown, Davis

Nays: None

Absent: Aldermen Duncheon, McMahon

Motion carried 12 to 0 with 2 absent.

#13-F... Chairman Puhr presented RESOLUTION NO. 2020-7 authorizing Agreement with TeeSnap LLC for Point of Sale System for Harrison Park Golf Course for a one year contract for a point of sale system, credit card processing service, email service, and website service, 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 Stone, Williams, Troglia, Pickering, O'Kane, Iverson, Strebing, Puhr, Foster, Brown, Davis, Poshard

Nays: None

Absent: Aldermen Duncheon, McMahon

Motion carried 12 to 0 with 2 absent.

#13-G... Chairman Puhr presented RESOLUTION NO. 2020-8 authorizing Agreement with Norfolk Southern Railway Company and State of Illinois for Railway-Highway Crossing Improvements at Voorhees Street and Bowman Avenue to improve crossing warning signal devices, 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, Troglia, Pickering, O’Kane, Iverson, Strebing, Puhr, Foster, Brown, Davis, Poshard, Stone

Nays: None

Absent: Aldermen Duncheon, McMahon

Motion carried 12 to 0 with 2 absent.

#13-H...Chairman Puhr presented ORDINANCE NO. 9249 approving Purchase of Real Property for the Jackson and Voorhees Intersection Improvement and waiving the requirements of Section 30.07(A) of the Code of Ordinances to purchase property at 1231 N. Jackson Street from Sage View LLC-Series BP in the amount of \$25,000.00, with funds for the transaction to be paid from Infrastructure Development and Improvement Budget-Construction and Improvements fund through a line item transfer from Infrastructure Development and Improvement Budget-Overlay Program, moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval as recommended by Committee, seconded by Alderman Strebing. After all questions were addressed, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen Troglia, Pickering, O’Kane, Iverson, Strebing, Puhr, Foster, Brown, Davis, Poshard, Stone, Williams

Nays: None

Absent: Aldermen Duncheon, McMahon

Motion carried 12 to 0 with 2 absent.

#13-I...Chairman Puhr presented ORDINANCE NO. 9250 authorizing the Borrowing of Funds from the Water Pollution Control Loan Program through the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) in the aggregate principal amount of \$9,297,400.00 with the principal and interest payment made semi-annually, and the loan shall mature in 20 years; the costs to be repaid from the Storm and Sanitary Sewer Fund (Fund 402) for the Northwest Sanitary Sewer Service Area Reconstruction to include renovating two existing lift stations, decommissioning an existing lift station, constructing a new lift station with a control building, and rerouting sanitary force mains and gravity sewers, moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval as recommended by Committee, seconded by Alderman Strebing. Alderman Troglia asked when the City will know of the 30% loan forgiveness. Engineer Cole responded we will do the application and once we are selected and prior to entering into a construction agreement with the contractor we will know what we are approved for, but will not receive the actual forgiveness until the back end of construction, but we will know what they have allocated to us. He has never known of anyone who applied for the forgiveness that has not received it. There being no further questions or discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen Pickering, O’Kane, Iverson, Strebing, Puhr, Foster, Brown, Davis, Poshard, Stone, Williams, Troglia

Nays: None

Absent: Aldermen Duncheon, McMahon

Motion carried 12 to 0 with 2 absent.

#### #13-J... Items of Information

- Director Carpenter reported he has received a quotation for the demolition of the Bresee Tower and former Vermilion County Courthouse Annex buildings. The quotation will be reviewed and emailed to the Aldermen.
- Alderman Poshard questioned if there are plans to construct an overpass over Bowman Avenue as he has been questioned from his constituents. Mayor Williams responded the possibility of a Bowman overpass has not been scrapped, but placed on hold.
- Alderman Davis reported a large hole at the entrance of Garfield Park near the railroad crossing.

- Mayor Williams reminded everyone there is a note on the sewer bill when the solid waste collection will be one day behind due to a holiday. He received inquiries regarding the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday and garbage collection being a day behind this week.

[The next Public Works Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 11, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.]

#### #14... PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

#14-A..Chairman Foster presented ORDINANCE NO. 9251 authorizing Disposal of Municipally Owned Surplus Real Estate to Carle Health Development, LLC and waiving the requirements pertaining to sales of municipal real estate as set forth in Section 30.07 of the Code of Ordinances, for the following property: 110 Robinson, 509 Lafayette, 139 N. Logan, 606 W. Harrison, 516 W. Harrison, 601 W. Harrison, 607 W. Harrison, 615 W. Harrison, 602 W. Madison, 512 W. Madison, 108 N. Logan, 110 N. Logan, 126 N. Logan, 205 New York St., Harrison St. (PIN 23-08-106-007-0030), moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval, seconded by Alderman Strebing. After all of the questions were addressed, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen O’Kane, Iverson, Strebing, Puhr, Foster, Brown, Davis, Poshard, Stone, Williams, Troglia, Pickering

Nays: None

Absent: Aldermen Duncheon, McMahon

Motion carried 12 to 0 with 2 absent.

#### #14-B...Items of Information

- Chairman Foster announced the next Public Services Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 28, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.
- Chairman Foster asked the Council to consider electronic attendance and voting for the meetings. Corporation Counsel Mockbee stated he will research electronic attendance from the Illinois Municipal League (IML) and share information he receives with the Aldermen.

#### #15... ITEMS OF INFORMATION

- Mayor Williams voiced objection to the 1% sales tax in county schools as it could affect the City with sales. If the tax is passed, Illinois will become the second highest in the country for taxes. The vote will occur on March 17<sup>th</sup> and urged everyone to vote no.
- Aldermen Foster, Iverson, and Strebing voiced appreciation to the old Comptroller as well as the new Comptroller for a smooth budget process. Mayor Williams stated he is proud there is no increases in taxes in the new budget and thanked the department heads for their hard work on the budget.

#16... CLOSED SESSION was not needed.

#### #17... ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned by acclamation at 6:35 p.m. following a motion by Alderman Strebing and a second by Alderman Pickering.

  
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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 January 21, 2020, as the same

appears on the records of the City now in my custody and keeping.

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Lisa K. Monson, City Clerk

Approved: 02/04/20  
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