

PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE  
MINUTES OF OCTOBER 22, 2019

#1 CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Foster called the Public Services Committee meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. at the Robert E. Jones Municipal Building, 17 W. Main St., Danville, Illinois.

Roll Call was answered by Chairman Steve Foster, Vice Chairman Sharon McMahon, Aldermen Brenda Brown, R.J. Davis, Dan Duncheon, Steve Nichols, and Tom Stone. A quorum was present.

Others Present were Mayor Rickey Williams, Jr., Aldermen Mike O’Kane, Sherry Pickering, Mike Puhr, and Aaron Troglia, Deputy City Clerk Megan Mudd, Human Relations Administrator Sandra Finch, Information Technology Administrator Agnel DSilva, Interim Fire Chief Don McMasters, Payroll and Personnel Manager Jamie White, Police Chief Chris Yates, Public Works Director Carl Carpenter, Risk Manager Kathy Courson, 3 audience members and 3 news media were also present.

#2 APPROVAL OF MINUTES – None

#3 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chairman Foster presented the agenda, Vice Chairman McMahon moved for approval as presented, seconded by Alderman Davis. On the voice vote, all ayes, no nays; the motion so ordered.

#4 AUDIENCE COMMENTS – None

#5 CHAIRMAN’S COMMENTS – None

#6 APPROVAL OF PAYROLLS

Chairman Foster presented Payrolls for October 18, 2019, of \$71, 525.56. Alderman Duncheon moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval, seconded by Alderman Stone. There being no questions, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen McMahon, Brown, Davis, Duncheon, Nichols, Stone, Foster

Nays: None

Motion carried 7 to 0.

#7 APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS PAYABLE

Chairman Foster presented the Schedule of the Vouchers Payable for October 22, 2019, of \$491,109.76. Alderman Stone moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval as presented, seconded by Alderman Brown. There being no questions, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen Brown, Davis, Duncheon, Nichols, Stone, McMahon, Foster

Nays: None

Motion carried 7 to 0.

#8...CITY CLERK’S REPORT – Megan Mudd, Deputy City Clerk

#8-A) Chairman Foster presented an ordinance Enacting and Adopting Supplement S-55 to the City Code of Ordinances. Alderman Stone moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval, seconded by Vice Chairman McMahon. There being no questions, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen Davis, Duncheon, Nichols, Stone, McMahon, Brown, Foster

Nays: None

Motion carried 7 to 0.

#8-B) Items of Information

- Clerk Mudd reported that City Clerk Monson has been out of the office due to recent health complications and asked that everyone keep her in their thoughts and prayers as she recovers.

#9...FINANCE– Rickey Williams, Jr., Mayor



Chairman Foster presented Items A thru G for a single vote. There being no objections, Alderman Stone moved to dispense with the readings and asked for approval, seconded by Alderman Brown. Those items being:

- #9-A) a resolution authorizing a one-year agreement for the period of January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020 with Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Illinois through Old National Risk Partners, Inc. for the City's PPO plan and a High Deductible PPO plan with a HSA (health savings account) with a 10% reduction in 2020 premiums for Health Insurance;
- #9-B) a resolution authorizing a one-year agreement for Health Insurance for Medicare Part B eligible retirees with Health Alliance through Old National Risk Partners, Inc. for the period of January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020;
- #9-C) a resolution authorizing a one-year agreement with Principal through Old National Risk Partners, Inc. for Voluntary Dental Insurance for the period of January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020;
- #9-D) a resolution authorizing a one-year agreement with Principal through Old National Risk Partners, Inc. to provide \$10,000.00 Group Term and AD&D Life Insurance for current employees, and the option for employees to purchase Voluntary Life Insurance coverage for themselves, their spouses, and their dependents under the age of 25 for the period of January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020;
- #9-E) a resolution authorizing a Spousal Incentive to lower monthly Health Insurance Premiums, an incentive program to qualified employees, which provide the appropriate incentive payment of \$500, \$2000, or \$2,500 minus all applicable taxes to employees on January 17, 2020, in exchange for the monthly premium savings and utilization to the City of Danville's health insurance from January 2020 through December 2020;
- #9-F) a resolution authorizing a one-year agreement extension with Benefit Planning Consultants, Inc. for Flexible Spending Program to allow qualified employees who participate to pay certain unreimbursed medical, dental, optical, dependent and health insurance premiums with pre-tax dollars with a maximum election of \$2,000.00 for period of January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020;
- #9-G) a resolution authorizing agreement for Liability and Worker's Compensation Insurance with Illinois Counties Risk Management Trust (ICRMT) through Loman-Ray Insurance Group, beginning December 1, 2019 to December 1, 2020, with a premium of \$1,176,284.00, for a difference of \$-13,485.00 from the previous year's premium due to the City's claim experience, payroll expenses, and the City's property values.

Manager Courson stated the plan for Blue Cross/Blue Shield is exactly the same as it has been for the last two years with no changes to it. This year they came in with a 10% decrease in the City's premiums per month so that will be a nice savings to the City. The City's Health Alliance plan is also the same this year but it did have an increase by \$17.00 per member, per month, due to it being regulated by the Federal government because it is a Medicare advantage plan. The City is changing providers for the dental and vision plans this year, having been with MetLife for several years now, but Principal came in with a 3% decrease to the dental premiums. The Group Life Insurance Plan is changing from MetLife as well, where the City is currently paying \$2.31 per member, per month and with Principal, it will decrease down to \$1.81 per member, per month. It is around a \$1,400.00 savings at the end of the year, so with the increase in the dental insurance that is where the employees themselves will directly feel it because dental, vision, and voluntary life are completely paid at 100% by the employee. We have been doing the Spousal Incentive since 2016 and want to offer that again this year. Back in 2015 when we occurred six million dollars in medical, 3 million of that alone was just spouses, so the utilization is what drives our premium cost so even though there is a cost to us to provide that incentive the premium savings is something we can actually track and see per year but the utilization we can't unfortunately track it because we have no way of knowing what they could have utilized but it is quite apparent that in the last few years our utilization has decreased quite significantly which is why we had a decrease in our premiums. Last year we actually had 65 employees who did the spousal incentive for a net savings to the City of \$699,142.37 in premiums. For Worker's Compensation and Liability Insurance, that did come in for a second year in a row where we had a decrease in premiums as well. It is around a \$22,000 savings from last year and I do want to stress that we might not see that again next year just because of the fact that unfortunately the May storms did hit us hard and so we have around \$300,000 in damage city wide to buildings and vehicles, so that it what the insurance has reimbursed us back for that. After all questions were addressed and there being no further discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen Duncheon, Nichols, Stone, McMahon, Brown, Davis, Foster

Nays: None

Motion carried 7 to 0.

#9-H) Chairman Foster presented a resolution authorizing the Write-Off of Delinquent Accounts that are uncollectible by reason of bankruptcy, death, or other circumstances through which the City will not be able to recover the amount owed. Alderman Stone moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval, seconded by Alderman Duncheon. There being no questions, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen Nichols, Stone, McMahon, Brown, Davis, Duncheon, Foster

Nays: None

Motion carried 7 to 0.

#### #9-I) ITEMS OF INFORMATION

##### #9-I-1) RISK MANAGER MONTHLY REPORT – Kathy Courson, Risk Manager

Manager Courson presented the September 2019 Statistics stating Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Illinois and Health Alliance Insurance Premiums for employees, firefighter duty disabilities and police duty disabilities, and incentives which totaled \$321,742.28, for retirees \$42,985.94, and for Library Employees \$15,892.39; September Worker's Compensation totaled one, and there were eight Liability claims submitted. The total cost of health insurance premiums in September 2019 totaled \$380,620.61 and the total cost of health premiums for September 2018 totaled \$373,265.37. Manager Courson also stated that Monday, October 28, 2019 at the City Hall building we will be having our second Flu Shot Clinic from 2:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m.

##### #9-I-2) PERSONNEL MONTHLY REPORT – Jamie White, Payroll and Personnel Manager

Manager White presented the Personnel Report as of October 22, 2019, stating there were 235 employees eligible for benefits and 28 part-time seasonal/temporary/intern employees, with one new hire, no transfers, and one separation. Applications are being accepted for City Comptroller, Code Enforcement Inspector, Engineer I, Engineer II, and Engineer III, Extra Board Bus Drivers-On Going, and Public Works Laborer. Manager White also stated there is a community hiring event at the VA Medical Center on November 7, 2019 and the City has been invited to participate in that so I will be attending that event.

##### #9-I-3) Additional Items of Information

Chairman Foster asked Mayor Williams for a status update on hiring process for the new City Comptroller. Mayor Williams replied we are currently accepting applications with 19 being received so far and have been reviewing those. There are at least three that I would deem highly qualified but I have not been able to go thru the entire list yet. Overall, we are tracking in the right direction and we are leaving the position open for now with plans to hopefully start interviewing next week. Mayor Williams also stated he appreciates Manager Ahrens for helping us out and attending Council meetings until the new Comptroller is hired. Manager Ahrens stated she had submitted 115 accounts to the Illinois Debt Recovery Program, and 68 of those were approved for \$12,799.65 and those probably won't come in until after the tax season starts. We had 18 that had no matches for the past 5 years meaning those will have to be a write-off because they have not received a tax-refund for the last 5 years. We had 29 match but again there were no payments from the State for those people for the last 5 years. We will also continue to submit old accounts to the State to see what we can get back.

#### #10...FIRE – Don McMasters, Interim Fire Chief

##### #10-A-1) Items of Information

Chief McMasters presented the Monthly Incident Report for September 1, 2019, through September 30, 2019, stating 247 total incidents were recorded and total estimated loss in fires was \$70,910.00. There were 19 fire incidents, of those, five were building fires, five were cooking fires, two were mobile property (vehicle) fire, five were outside rubbish, trash or waste fire, and two were outside equipment fire. There were 161 rescue or EMS incidents, which accounted for 65% of service. Breaking that down, 63 were EMS calls, 1 was motor vehicle accidents with injuries, 1 was motor vehicle accidents with no injuries, 2 medical assist lifting patient, and there were 89 medical assists. Chief McMasters also stated that they have had four of our six new personnel

complete two weeks' worth of hazardous materials technician training which is part of one of their requirements as new hires.

#11...HUMAN RELATIONS – Sandra Finch, Administrator

#11-A-1) Items of Information

- Administrator Finch reported that for the period of September 17, 2019 through October 21, 2019, the office handled 25 complaints, which consisted of 3 police complaints, 10 employment complaints, and 12 housing complaints.
- Administrator Finch reported they are preparing for the 2020 MLK Holiday celebration, which will be held on January 19 and January 20 of 2020. Also the applications for the MLK scholarship have gone out so if anyone knows a high school senior that plans to attend college they should apply for the \$4,000 scholarship.

#12...INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY – Agnel DSilva, Administrator

#12-A) Items of Information

Administrator DSilva reported on an update on law enforcement records system stating they are going live next week, and it has been a lot of work the last few months so I want to thank Chief Yates and the team for supporting the records management system. In addition, GIS Coordinator Adam Aull is here to give an update on the civic platform we have been working on. Coordinator Aull reported last time he was here he was reporting on the citizen reporting app that is being built in-house to replace the Public Stuff app that was shut down, and it is now live internally with the Public Works Department. We have a person on staff that is entering items such as alley grading, potholes, and those kinds of reports. They are coming in by phone or email right now and the purpose of this is to weed out any of the problems that may occur before we release it live to the public. We certainly do not want to release it live and then try to fix things post-haste. The next step is then to bring in the code enforcement side of things and see how that works and then work through that in the next couple of months before going live to the public to where they can start submitting right on the city website. Administrator DSilva lastly reported that he will be doing a presentation at the next Public Services meeting on cyber security and ransomware and will be bringing some recommendations to the committee regarding this subject.

#13...LEGAL – Rickey Williams, Jr., Mayor

#13-A) Items of Information

#13-A-1) Discussion of Ordinance: Amending Chapter 92 of City Code Pertaining to Fire Prevention-Fireworks

Mayor Williams stated this item is being brought back for discussion since Chief Yates is at this meeting and feedback can now be provided while he is here. Chief McMasters stated that he knows the addition that we wanted placed in the ordinance was in reference to applying for permits and getting permits for commercial fireworks agencies along with fees for those permits, so that is what we added to 92.07. I spoke briefly with Corporation Counsel Wesner about that and we discussed making some changes to that and adding it but then he and I did not get back together. City Clerk Monson added references from the State statute regarding firework regulations for information purposes as well. Alderman Stone stated that home owner's shooting off fireworks in residential areas and neighborhoods is a problem as well. Chief Yates stated they do write tickets for city ordinance violations regarding fireworks and have seized illegal fireworks during the Fourth of July holiday and then have to dispose of them safely. The problem lies beyond just having an ordinance on the subject because it's similar to concerns I have with enforcement of downtown parking. There's a system of doing it and it comes to a point where officers have to come to a discretionary call of do we take as many as we can from them and rather than the half hour of an ordinance that is difficult to enforce or get accountability for so we can go to the next call to determine whether or not it's a fireworks call or gun call and then seize those things. When we write ordinance violations there are different areas that include fireworks and we do enforce that under the city ordinance, however when we then take it to City Court there needs to be a different communication and understanding between Corporation Counsel, the department, and etc. because fourth of July is a major problem for people that do not enjoy having fireworks go off against their house. So those are things we have to work on, and also because it doesn't just include Corporation Counsel and law enforcement, the hearing officer and processes in which city ordinances are heard and enforced. Further discussion ensued.

Following discussion Mayor Williams stated that he will get together with both Chiefs and Corporation Counsel to get something worked out and brought back to the committee.

#14...POLICE – Chris Yates, Police Chief

#14-A) Items of Information

#14-A-1) Chief Yates presented the Danville Police Division Monthly Report from September of 2019. There were around 3,000 calls for service, domestic disturbances were at 318, civil disturbances at 191, and suspicious persons at 200. He stated from May to June we had a decrease of right around 300 calls, We had an officer resign today, and it is something that we had looked at as a potential possibility and it was not for any other reason than he was pursuing other endeavors with the Illinois State Police, and I wish him luck. We have planned for this and have contingencies in place for it. The Citizens Academy will be announced soon and it will start in December or January. Officer Lewallen will be in charge of that and she's done a great job so far getting everything put together and getting the various people ready to speak at it. We have already had a huge number of calls come in for it and I think we are going to have a rather large group this year. For the recruit update, they are doing great. I have been receiving their test scores back from the PTI (Public Training Institute) and two of them are really excelling based off of their scores, and all of them are average to above average. The commanders and I presented the Operation 2020 five-year plan to the Mayor earlier in the month. I won't go over the entire thing because it took us an hour and a half to go over it but quickly I will hit a couple points on it. It's reinstating, clarifying, and reminding the police officers as well as the people that work in law enforcement our vision value and mission statement. That was something very important to a lot of us and we'll continue that. As far as growth of the department and recruitment and retention there's different ideas that we're bringing into the mix along with community partnership. Also part of our recruitment if we're wanting to recruit from our own community we have to create that conversation, I met with members of DACC this month that are involved with the college program for high school students, and that's one of things we're reaching and building on. With the retention, that has a lot to do with officer development and mobility inside the department, how they are going to be trained and assessed, and where they can go from doing good work and being rewarded for that with special units. Leadership development and expert certification not only makes our community more advantageous but it also creates confidence within law enforcement, as well as when people separate from law enforcement and when they have other opportunities. Organizational progression, I explain to the command staff and officers that every day that we don't progress and advance is a day that we actually fall behind because our community and society is always advancing so were constantly looking for different ways that we can progress and develop. We are redoing our policy manual so we'll have that done by January and hopefully by May I would like to have out for the officers. We are looking at three special units right now and we've all talked about the POP Unit over and over and that is definitely coming. We already have the logistics set for it and the vehicles ready and the people training for it. We are waiting for the six to come out of the academy so we can move the other officers into those special units. We are also going to have a second unit for community housing. This will be similar to what the COPS program was before, and it will be under the umbrella of the criminal investigations division. They will be helping them along with creating strategies on how we are going to proactively deal with different problems, and they will work in conjunction with the POP unit in developing as well as sharing intelligence amongst all the units. They will be working with all the public housing management groups to see what their problems are, and to see what kind of tools we can use for mitigation to deal with the challenges we have there. Mayor Williams stated that he is really excited about the new community housing unit and for the opportunity for police to develop relationships with residents. The third unit will be a traffic enforcement team. This team will be comprised of specialists in traffic enforcement, and they will be able to understand the data that comes in and analyze that in order to determine where the largest needs are for traffic enforcement. In traffic enforcement details, the priority and objective is not to issue citations, it's to reduce the likelihood of traffic crashes and traffic related injuries or death. Many more stops than not result in a verbal warning or a written warning. When it's warranted, and a verbal or written warning will not suffice, then a written citation will be issued. Traffic enforcement is a big deal, especially if you have a child or loved one that has ever been injured due to it. The unit will be smaller, but it will be just as important to many people. So those are the three units. We are looking at moving towards specialization, to where we can get the most efficient personnel and most effective police work while operating. I think that is going to reflect on the community to where the confidence will be going back into the community. They will feel

safer and they will eventually have the confidence in us that we will be able to do what we need to do to protect them whenever they need us or when they are willing to come forward with information. I just got a call today from a group that I want to get involved with because another big thing is community relationship and rebuilding past and future relationships is important. I will be meeting next month with 30 or so community leaders and going over some things on how they can get more involved within the community. This is a five-year plan and we understand that we're not going to see everything accomplished at once, but I think in order to where we can take a step back, look at it, and say how do we make it better, is probably somewhere within a five-year plan. Mayor Williams added that we always get swamped with the idea that the police are just out there giving out tickets and doing this or that because they can't solve crimes or murders but first of all that is completely inaccurate and un-factual. One of the things that Chief mentioned to me was that when we do these POP sweeps the amount of drugs that we have gotten from traffic stops, and the amount of illegal and stolen weapons that we have gotten off the streets, and the amount of violent offenders that we have arrested as a result of traffic stops is huge. These types of stops often lead to things that help prevent further violence from happening in our community. Alderman Foster stated that just getting out of the squad car is risky these days because you never know who's behind the wheel when you make a traffic stop. Alderman Puhr stated that Chief Yates has been working on these ideas and plans for years, before he was ever Chief, and he has put a lot of thought and effort into it and it's just fortunate that its now able to be implemented with a lot of confidence and positive support. Chief Yates added that I started writing these plans in 2013 based off different ideas that we had and one day and we would be able to implement, but these are not just my ideas. Many of these are ideas that different sergeants and commanders brought to me and we have talked about and rather than just dropping them we say let's improve them and then implement. Further discussion ensued.

#15...DANVILLE MASS TRANSIT – Lisa Beith, Director

#15-A) Chairman Foster presented a resolution awarding Bid #632 for Roof Repairs. Vice Chairman McMahon moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval, seconded by Alderman Brown. Manager Courson stated the Mass Transit Building was unfortunately was one of the buildings that took a major hit when we had the hail storm back in May. This is a file for just the building, the vehicles were a different file so that just kind of gives you an indication of just how many various places and specific damages that we had for the City as a whole. The Mass Transit office and garage did get hit with hail damage, luckily the transportation zone was able to escape any major damage but the hail did get the roof of the public transportation garage. So the bid is to replace that and our insurance did estimate that the damage would take about \$137,000.00 to repair the roof, and they did send us a check for \$98,000.00 so far and then they will send us another \$28,000.00 once the work is complete. Once we get this done and show them that the work is complete and that it's been finished and paid for then at that point they will issue that. The two bids that came in, the lowest bid was for River City Roofing for \$120,500.00 and so that does fall below what we are actually going to be what we have fully received from the insurance company. Alderman Duncheon asked where River City Roofing is out of and Manager Courson replied she believes they are from Bellevue, Illinois. Mayor Williams stated that one of the companies didn't bid all of the work and the entire scope of work that we wanted either. Manager Courson stated yes there were some issues with this the first time and that is why it went back again because of the fact that the insurance is very specific on what they deemed needed repaired and replaced. There being no further questions or discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen Stone, McMahon, Brown, Davis, Duncheon, Nichols, Foster

Nays: None

Motion carried 7 to 0.

#15-B) Items of Information – None

#16...PUBLIC WORKS – Carl Carpenter, Director

#16-A) Chairman Foster presented a resolution approving contractual demolition of various city properties, Bid #635. Alderman Stone moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval, seconded by Alderman Duncheon. Director Carpenter stated that we would like to get this moved through Council in two weeks. This actually expends CDBG funds and I believe they have to be expended in March but we are looking at having this all done by no later than the middle of February simply so they can get all the paper work turned in as well and get reimbursed through CDBG. We actually have received four bids, with the lowest one being Thomas

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Excavating, then Big O Services, Dan Ribbe Trucking, and then Owen's Excavating. In all likelihood we'll use each of those for some of these structures, as you see we have quite a bit to expend with roughly 27 units on here and if you look there's a list there of the actual addresses on the back, and there's also a map where you can see the structures everywhere from west to Harmon Street. We will still have funds in CDBG to do more in the future but they won't be under such a time constraint. After all questions were addressed, and there being no further discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen McMahon, Brown, Davis, Duncheon, Nichols, Stone, Foster

Nays: None

Motion carried 7 to 0.

#### #16-B) Items of Information

- Chairman Foster stated that he received an email regarding the sidewalks and crossings at Liberty Lane and asked if that could be looked into. He stated it is a little dangerous for the seniors that are walking up and down in that area. There are sidewalks being recommended so I just wanted to bring it up so you could take a look at it and maybe get with the Mayor and report back next time we get together.
- Alderman Brown stated that near the Post Office the City still has a cone sitting out there and its right at that crosswalk. She has received several complaints about it and she believes it's near Seminary and Hazel. Director Carpenter replied he presumes it's for a sunken catch basin. Alderman Brown asked if it was going to be repaired and Director Carpenter replied that there is a list of those being worked on and the street department has started at the top of the list and are working their way down.

#### #17...Discussion of 2019 Tax Levy and Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Budget

Mayor Williams stated that when we met last time everyone was comfortable with moving the tax levy forward so Manager Ahrens and I are working on updating that schedule and will have that out to you soon. I know that Alderman Nichols has some concerns about the pension payments but does anyone have any other concerns. Alderman Nichols stated he is not sure why we would be approving a budget in December so early and maybe we should consider changing the fiscal year. Alderman Foster stated he feels we need to address something in the budget in regards to the Collins Tower, formerly Breese, stating I know that we were waiting on numbers to come back for a demolition estimate and I think we should pressure them on it because we want to make sure that if we are putting up our own framework around it that that is in the budget. Alderman Duncheon concurred with proceeding with the budget discussion. Alderman O'Kane stated there is around \$500,000 in Community Development for demolitions and he would like to have a breakdown on what part of that is for demolitions. Director Carpenter stated that is the 310 Fund but there is roughly almost \$400,000.00 that has to come out to repay the loan, and another bond issue, and then what is left is what's spent for demolitions, also the asbestos abatement comes out of that line item as well. Alderman Pickering stated she believes that line item has been increased by around \$190,000.00 already. Director Carpenter stated he believes there's only one or two payments left on the loan and that loan was for all of the equipment. They bought it before there was ever money even coming in. Mayor Williams stated with this budget we would be paying off the equipment so that we would have the full budget, minus the bond payment the next year, we would have that full amount available. Further discussion ensued. It was the consensus of the committee to move forward with the budget and tax levy.

#18 CLOSED SESSION was not needed.

#19 ITEMS OF INFORMATION - None

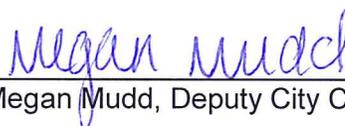
#### #20 COMMITTEE MEMBERS' COMMENTS

Alderman Brown stated that First Presbyterian celebrated their 109<sup>th</sup> anniversary this past Sunday and Alderman Iverson was there who read the proclamation for the City. Alderman Pickering, Alderman Iverson, and Alderman Strebing were in attendance that day as well. From the recital, the luncheon, and the program afterwards it was a joyful day and they did a great job with the program. Mayor Williams stated he wishes he could have been there and wants to thank First Presbyterian Church because he had no idea about some of their history. They established the first public library, the first free medical clinic, and the first school in the City

of Danville. The City of Danville is 192 years old and they are 190 years old so they have been with us since the beginning and we really appreciate all that they continue to do. They are great partners with us for MLK, various committees, and Community Day. They also host the Dwelling Place which provides essential items for the homeless, as well as Big Brothers Big Sisters which is a great testament and help to our youth. They have a strong testimony of being the hands and feet of God in our community and we sure do appreciate that. Alderman Puhr stated that he is sure everyone has been receiving emails with a form letter opposing the closing of Logan Avenue and asked if there's going to be a public hearing regarding that. Mayor Williams replied yes it will have to go before the Planning and Zoning Committee on November 5<sup>th</sup> and then whatever they decide it would come to the City Council on November 17<sup>th</sup>. Alderman Puhr stated that he's not sure if anyone has received questions regarding Mach 1 gas station but how will that be addressed as far as liquor license and serving. Mayor Williams replied there have been several lengthy discussions with Corporate Counsel as well as the Clerk's Office and former Comptroller Scott but as long as they meet the provisions of the ordinance I cannot deny them a license.

#21 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned by Chairman Foster at 7:51 p.m. following a motion by Alderman Duncheon and a second by Vice Chairman McMahan.



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Megan Mudd, Deputy City Clerk

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