

**MINUTES
CITY OF DEKALB
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 25, 2021**

The City Council of DeKalb, Illinois held a Regular City Council meeting on January 25, 2021, in the Yusunas Meeting Room of the DeKalb Public Library, 309 Oak Street, DeKalb, Illinois.

A. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Mayor Smith called the meeting to order at 6 p.m.

City Clerk Lynn Fazekas (attending remotely) called the roll, and the following members of City Council were present: Aldermen Carolyn Morris, Bill Finucane (attending remotely), Tracy Smith, Greg Perkins, Scott McAdams, Mike Verbic, Tony Faivre, and Mayor Jerry Smith.

Staff present included: City Manager Bill Nicklas and Assistant City Manager Josh Boldt.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES

Mayor Smith led the Pledge.

C. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mayor Smith invited requests for additions or deletions to the agenda. None were made.

MOTION

Alderman Faivre moved to approve the agenda. Alderman Verbic seconded.

VOTE

Motion carried 8-0 on roll call vote. Aye: Morris, Finucane, Smith, Perkins, McAdams, Verbic, Faivre, Mayor Smith. Nay: none. Mayor Smith declared the agenda approved.

D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was none.

E. PRESENTATIONS

1. Certificate of Recognition to Ken Koch for 9 Years of Service to the Citizens' Environmental Commission.

2. Certificate of Recognition to Christina Doe for 10 Years of Service to the Planning and Zoning Commission.
3. Certificate of Recognition to Susan Johnson for 13 Years of Service to the Citizens' Community Enhancement Commission.
4. Proclamation Declaring January 25, 2021 as "Kiwanis Club of DeKalb Day" in the City of DeKalb.

Mayor Smith read the certificates and the proclamation, said a few words about/to each awardee and gave each the opportunity to say a few words. He noted Kiwanis was celebrating its 100th year of service on that very day.

Assistant Manager Boldt read an email from the League of American cyclists announcing DeKalb had won a Bronze award for having a bicycle friendly community.

F. APPOINTMENTS

1. Appointment of Jeff Main to the Police Pension Board for a Two-Year Term through May 31, 2022.
2. Appointment of Kyle Moore and Nick Newman to the Citizens' Environmental Commission for a Two-Year Term through December 31, 2022.
3. Appointment of Richard Downen to the Airport Advisory Board for a Four-Year Term through December 31, 2024.

Mayor Smith read each of the appointments and ascertained there were no objections to voting on them in omnibus fashion.

MOTION

Alderman Morris moved to approve the appointments. Alderman Perkins seconded.

VOTE

Motion carried 8-0 on roll call vote. Aye: Finucane, Smith, Perkins, McAdams, Verbic, Faivre, Morris, Mayor Smith. Nay: none. The mayor declared the appointments approved.

G. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of January 11, 2021.
2. Accounts Payable and Payroll through January 25, 2021 in the Amount of \$3,143,716.98.

3. Investment and Bank Balance Summary through November 2020.
4. Year-to-Date Revenues and Expenditures through November 2020.
5. Hospitality Recovery Program Update through November 2020.
6. Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Report – December 2020.
7. FY2020 Human Services Funding Fourth Quarter Report.

Mayor Smith read each item of the consent agenda and invited requests for separate consideration of any item. There were none.

MOTION

Alderman Smith moved to approve the consent agenda. Alderman McAdams seconded.

VOTE

Motion carried 8-0 on roll call vote. Aye: Smith, Perkins, McAdams, Verbic, Faivre, Morris, Finucane, Mayor Smith. Nay: none. Mayor Smith declared the consent agenda approved.

H. PUBLIC HEARINGS

There were none.

I. CONSIDERATIONS

There were none.

J. RESOLUTIONS

1. Resolution 2021-010 Approving a Laundromat Liquor License for South 4th Street Mega Laundromat, LLC, Located at 1387 S. Fourth Street, with Supplemental Licensure for Video Gaming.

Mayor Smith read the resolution by title only.

MOTION

Alderman Finucane moved to pass the resolution. Alderman Faivre seconded.

VOTE

Motion was defeated 2-5 on roll call vote. Aye: Finucane, Smith. Nay: Perkins, McAdams, Verbic, Faivre, Morris. Mayor Smith declared the motion defeated.

2. Resolution 2021-011 Authorizing the Adoption of the 2019 DeKalb County All Hazards Mitigation Plan.

Mayor Smith read the resolution by title only.

MOTION

Alderman McAdams moved to approve the resolution. Alderman Morris seconded.

VOTE

Motion carried 8-0 on roll call vote. Aye: McAdams, Verbic, Faivre, Morris, Finucane, Smith, Perkins, Mayor Smith. Nay: none.

3. Resolution 2021-012 Authorizing Payment to LiftOff in the Amount of \$48,938.40 for the Renewal of the City of DeKalb Microsoft Office 365 Subscription.

Mayor Smith read the resolution by title only.

MOTION

Alderman Verbic moved to approve the resolution. Alderman Perkins seconded.

VOTE

Motion carried 8-0 on roll call vote. Aye: Verbic, Faivre, Morris, Finucane, Smith, Perkins, McAdams, Mayor Smith. Nay: none. The mayor declared the resolution passed.

K. ORDINANCES – SECOND READING

1. Ordinance 2021-003 Approving a Special Use Permit for a Parking Lot as a Principal Use when Located Within 300 Feet of the Use Served (1030 E. Locust Street – Nehring Electrical Works).

Mayor Smith read the ordinance by title only.

MOTION

Alderman Faivre moved to approve the ordinance. Alderman Finucane seconded.

City Manager Nicklas reported that Scott Dillon, vice-president of operations at Nehring, has talked with people in the neighborhood but there are still unresolved issues. Mr. Nicklas asked that Council postpone the final vote for 30 days.

MOTION

Alderman Perkins moved that the vote be postponed to the second Council meeting in February. Alderman McAdams seconded.

VOTE

Motion to postpone carried 8-0 on roll call vote. Aye: Faivre, Morris, Finucane, Smith, Perkins, McAdams, Verbic, Mayor Smith. Nay: none.

L. ORDINANCES – FIRST READING

1. Ordinance 2021-004 Approving a Final Plat of Resubdivision, an Amended Final Development Plan, and Amended Development Standards for Goldframe, LLC for the Facebook Planned Development Site Along E. Gurler Road to Accommodate a ComEd Substation.

Mayor Smith read the ordinance by title only.

MOTION

Alderman Smith moved to approve first reading. Alderman McAdams seconded.

Mayor Smith noted a unanimous vote to recommend approval by Planning & Zoning.

VOTE

Motion carried 8-0 on roll call vote. Aye: Morris, Finucane, Smith, Perkins, McAdams, Verbic, Faivre, Mayor Smith. Nay: none. The mayor declared passage of first reading.

MOTION

Alderman Finucane moved to waive second reading and approve the ordinance. Alderman Morris seconded.

VOTE

Motion carried 8-0 on roll call vote. Aye: Finucane, Smith, Perkins, McAdams, Verbic, Faivre, Morris, Mayor Smith. Nay: none. Mayor Smith declared the ordinance passed.

M. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

1. Council Member Reports

Alderman Morris reminded residents to keep fire hydrants clear of snow.

Alderman Finucane encouraged everyone who can to get vaccinated for COVID in addition to taking other precautions.

Alderman Faivre expressed gratitude for the Public Works employees who would be plowing snow that night. He reminded residents to keep sidewalks clear of snow.

Mayor Smith announced he had just gotten word that the region would be moving into Phase Four of pandemic mitigations. The mayor also reported the passing of Barb Kummerfeldt, founder of the Preserve the Egyptian Theatre (PET) organization.

2. City Clerk Report

City Clerk Fazekas gave no report.

3. City Manager Report

City Manager Nicklas reported Public Works would be plowing snow all night and until the storm is finished.

N. EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO 5 ILCS (120/2)

No executive session was authorized during this meeting.

O. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION

Alderman Faivre moved to adjourn at 6:44 p.m. Alderman McAdams seconded.

VOTE

Motion carried 8-0 on roll call vote. Aye: Smith, Perkins, McAdams, Verbic, Faivre, Morris, Finucane, Mayor Smith. Nay: none. Mayor Smith declared adjournment at 6:44 p.m.

LYNN A. FAZEKAS, City Clerk

Approved by City Council on February 8, 2021.