

**MINUTES  
CITY OF DEKALB  
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
FEBRUARY 10, 2020**

The City Council of DeKalb, Illinois held a Regular City Council meeting on February 10, 2020, in the City Council Chambers of the DeKalb Municipal Building, 200 South Fourth 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 called the roll, and the following members of City Council were present: Alderman Carolyn Morris, Alderman Bill Finucane, Alderman Tracy Smith, Alderman Greg Perkins, Alderman Scott McAdams, Alderman Mike Verbic, Alderman Tony Faivre, and Mayor Jerry Smith.

Staff present included: City Manager Bill Nicklas, Community Services Coordinator Joanne Rouse, Interim Police Chief John Petragallo, and City Attorney Matt Rose.

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

Mayor Smith led the Pledge.

**C. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Mayor Smith asked if there were additions or deletions to be made to the agenda.

**MOTION**

Alderman Morris 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**

DeWayne Brown spoke about the Ferrara Company's selection of DeKalb for the site of its new facility and said the City "did it right" this time.

**E. PRESENTATIONS**

There were none.

**F. APPOINTMENTS**

1. Appointment of Helen Umdenstock to the Citizens' Community Enhancement Commission for the Completion of a Two-Year Term through December 31, 2020.
2. Appointment of Rebecca Hunt to the DeKalb Public Library Board for the Completion of a Three-Year Term through June 30, 2022.
3. Appointment of Sarah Fox as an Ex-Officio Member of the Citizens' Environmental Commission (No Term Limit).

Mayor Smith read the list and asked if Council would permit an omnibus vote on the appointments. No one voiced an objection.

#### MOTION

Alderman McAdams 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. Mayor Smith declared the motion approved.

### **G. CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of January 27, 2020.
2. Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of January 27, 2020.
3. Accounts Payable and Payroll through February 10, 2020 in the Amount of \$5,404,862.51.
4. FY2019 Vendor Payments Over \$20,000.

Mayor Smith read each item of the consent agenda and asked if any item should be removed for separate consideration. No such request was made.

#### MOTION

Alderman Faivre moved to approve the consent agenda. Alderman Morris 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**

1. Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Five-Year Consolidated Plan 2020-2024 and 2020 Annual Action Plan.

Mayor Smith announced the subject of the hearing and opened the hearing at 6:08 p.m.

City Manager Nicklas gave a brief introduction and said Community Services Coordinator Rouse was available to take questions.

After ascertaining no one wished to speak, Mayor Smith closed the hearing at 6:12 p.m.

## **I. CONSIDERATIONS**

There were none.

## **J. RESOLUTIONS**

1. Resolution 2020-013 Authorizing a Standard Agreement for Construction Services with Crawford, Murphy and Tilly, Inc. for Architectural/Engineering, Planning and Special Services, Project DKB4665 Crack Fill and Remark Runway 2-20, Design Phase, at the DeKalb Taylor Municipal Airport with a City Cost for the Design Phase Not to Exceed \$52,280.

Mayor Smith read the resolution by title only.

### **MOTION**

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

City Manager Nicklas said this is part of the transportation plan approved this past November.

### **VOTE**

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

2. Resolution 2020-014 Authorizing a 2020 Census Efforts Grant Sub-Award Agreement with Region 1 Planning Council.

Mayor Smith read the resolution by title only.

### **MOTION**

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

### **VOTE**

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

3. Resolution 2020-015 Authorizing the Purchase and Equipping of One Chevrolet Tahoe Police Vehicle Based on the State Bid Contract Pricing in an Amount Not to Exceed \$49,000.

Mayor Smith read the resolution by title only.

**MOTION**

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

City Manager Nicklas said the department's K-9 vehicle has engine and transmission problems; Police Chief Petragallo said the old vehicle would go to public auction.

**VOTE**

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

4. Resolution 2020-016 Approving the Community Development Block Grant Five Year Consolidated Plan 2020–2024 and Annual Action Plan (One Year Use of Funds) for Program Year 27 (April 1, 2020 through March 31, 2021).

Mayor Smith read the resolution by title only.

**MOTION**

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

City Manager Nicklas said the City is pushing broadband and streetlights in the Annie Glidden North area. He noted the plan must also be approved by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

**VOTE**

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

**K. ORDINANCES – SECOND READING**

1. Ordinance 2020-005 Amending Chapter 35 "Towing", Chapter 52 "Offenses Against Public Peace – Safety and Morals", and Chapter 64 "Smoking Regulations" to Conform to New Cannabis and Tobacco Laws.

Mayor Smith read the ordinance by title only.

**MOTION**

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

Alderman Finucane said it was his understanding the ordinance would allow the smoking of cannabis in a retail tobacco shop. City Manager Nicklas confirmed this.

**MOTION**

Ald Finucane moved that the section allowing it [smoking of cannabis in tobacco retail shop] be stricken from the ordinance. No one offered a second. Mayor Smith declared the motion failed for lack of a second.

**VOTE**

Original motion carried 7-1 on roll call vote. Aye: Morris, Smith, Perkins, McAdams, Verbic, Faivre, Mayor Smith. Nay: Finucane. Mayor Smith declared the ordinance passed.

**L. ORDINANCES – FIRST READING**

1. Ordinance 2020-009 Authorizing a Tax Increment Financing Development Incentive Agreement with Rosa Balli for the Rehabilitation of the Property Located at 206 East Lincoln Highway.

Mayor Smith read the ordinance by title only.

**MOTION**

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

**VOTE**

Motion carried 8-0 on roll call vote. Aye: Finucane, Smith, Perkins, McAdams, Verbic, Faivre, Morris, Mayor Smith.

**MOTION**

Alderman Finucane moved to waive second reading. Alderman Verbic seconded.

City Attorney Rose said the attorney for the Balli family had requested Council not waive second reading. Aldermen Finucane and Verbic withdrew their motion and second.

**M. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

1. Council Member Reports

Alderman Morris thanked Community Services Coordinator Rouse for her work on the Community Development Block Grant program. She noted a lot of it will go to her ward.

Aldermen Finucane and Smith welcomed the Ferrara Company to DeKalb.

Alderman Faivre said a day and time would soon be announced for a ward meeting he planned to hold the following week.

Mayor Smith reported on the elementary schools he's visited recently and read thank-you notes from the children.

2. City Clerk Report

City Clerk Fazekas gave no report.

3. City Manager Report

City Manager Nicklas said the police chief and airport manager positions are now posted.

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

Approval to Hold an Executive Session in Order to Discuss:

1. Personnel as Provided for in 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1); and
2. Collective Bargaining as Provided for in 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2).

Mayor Smith read the items to be authorized for the session.

**MOTION**

Alderman Faivre moved to recess for executive session. Alderman Smith 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 a recess at 6:38 p.m.

**O. ADJOURNMENT**

Council returned from executive session at 7:32 p.m.

**MOTION**

Alderman Faivre moved to adjourn the regular meeting. Alderman Smith seconded.

**VOTE**

Motion carried by majority voice vote. Mayor Smith declared adjournment at 7:32 p.m.

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LYNN A. FAZEKAS, City Clerk

Approved by City Council: February 24, 2020.