

**MINUTES
CITY OF DEKALB
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JULY 8, 2019**

The City Council of DeKalb, Illinois held a Regular City Council meeting on July 8, 2019 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 6:01 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 Pat Fagan, Alderman Scott McAdams, Alderman Mike Verbic, Alderman Tony Faivre, and Mayor Jerry Smith.

Alderman Tracy Smith was absent.

Staff present included: City Manager Bill Nicklas, Assistant City Manager Ray Munch, Principal Planner Dan Olson, Airport Manager Tom Cleveland, and Assistant Public Works Director Bryan Faivre.

Mayor Smith introduced bugler Gene Vanden Bosch, who played the National Anthem.

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

Mayor Smith led the Pledge. He then introduced Frank Beierlotzer, who said a few words about the motorcycle motorcade and other activities. Mayor Smith presented a Certificate of Recognition to Mr. Beierlotzer for his service in honoring local veterans.

C. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mayor Smith asked for approval of the agenda if Council had no additions or deletions to it. No additions or deletions were offered.

MOTION

Alderman Finucane moved to approve the agenda. Alderman Fagan seconded.

VOTE

Motion carried 7-0-1 on roll call vote. Aye: Finucane, Fagan, McAdams, Verbic, Faivre, Morris, Mayor Smith. Nay: none. Absent: Smith. Mayor Smith declared the agenda approved as written.

D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Robert Goering talked about use of tax increment financing (TIF) for projects in the downtown, saying he supports the latest project proposal, but others should not be denied the same economic incentives. Mr. Goering also pointed out that previously approved projects have received a much smaller share of TIF as a percentage of project costs than the request contained in the latest proposal.

Dennis White asked for the City to take action concerning a train continually left parked with engine running for hours at a time near his home on South Eleventh Street. Mr. White said he has concerns about air quality, vibrations and noise, and that his neighbors are concerned, too. He said the same problem occurred in 2015 and was stopped.

E. PRESENTATIONS

1. Certificate of Recognition Presented to Tammy Greene.

Mayor Smith presented the Certificate to Ms. Greene to honor her 29 years of teaching and to recognize her being named Illinois History Teacher of the Year by the Illinois State Historical Society.

2. 2-1-1 Resource and Referral System Update Presentation by Paul Callighan and Kishwaukee United Way Executive Director Dawn Littlefield.

Ms. Littlefield explained that 2-1-1 is a nationwide resource and referral program that was brought by United Way to DeKalb County two years ago to provide streamlined access to human services providers and emergency resource coordination. Locally, some 150 agencies participate in a database United Way maintains.

Mr. Callighan said 1,000 individuals have contacted 2-1-1, and the data show many callers need more than one service. He encouraged participation in growing the database.

3. Proclamation: Unplug DeKalb Day – July 13, 2019.

Mayor Smith presented the proclamation to DeKalb Park District Board (DPD) President Phil Young and Executive Director Amy Doll. Mr. Young said DPD is concerned about overuse of phones and other electronic devices. Ms. Doll said DPD will be encouraging exercise on Unplug DeKalb Day with special activities at the gym and pool.

4. Nguzo Saba FY2019 Human Services Funding Report by President Jerry Wright.

Derrick Smith filled in for Jerry Wright. He described the basketball mentoring program they run every summer to keep youth busy. Due to funding cuts and Northern Illinois University charging for space now, Mr. Smith said the program has

been reduced to 4 weeks and 90 youth served, though demand is for 120 places in the program.

F. APPOINTMENTS

1. Appointment of Council Member Carolyn Morris as Council Liaison to the Citizens' Community Enhancement Commission.
2. Appointment of Council Member Tracy Smith as Council Liaison to the Landmark Commission.
3. Appointment of Council Member Scott McAdams as Council Liaison to the Human Relations Commission.
4. Appointment of Virginia Wilcox to the Citizens' Environmental Commission for the Completion of a Two-Year Term through December 31, 2020.
5. Appointment of Tyrus Wright to the Human Relations Commission for the Completion of a Three-Year Term through December 31, 2022.
6. Appointment of Melissa Gallagher to the Airport Advisory Board for the Completion of a Four-Year Term through December 31, 2022.

Mayor Smith read each of the proposed appointments and suggested approval via omnibus vote.

MOTION

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

VOTE

Motion carried 7-0-1 on roll call vote. Aye: Fagan, McAdams, Verbic, Faivre, Morris, Finucane, Mayor Smith. Nay: none. Absent: Smith. Mayor Smith declared the appointments approved.

G. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of June 24, 2019.
2. Accounts Payable and Payroll through July 8, 2019, in the Amount of \$2,218,445.14.
3. Resolution 2019-110 Authorizing the Release of Certain Executive Session Meeting Minutes and the Destruction of Certain Verbatim Recordings.

4. Resolution 2019-111 Receiving and Filing the FY2018 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR), Audit Report, and Management Letter.

Mayor Smith asked for deletions to the consent agenda. There were none. He then read each item of the consent agenda.

MOTION

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

VOTE

Motion carried 7-0-1 on roll call vote. Aye: McAdams, Verbic, Faivre, Morris, Finucane, Fagan, Mayor Smith. Nay: none. Absent: Smith. Mayor Smith declared the consent agenda approved as read.

H. PUBLIC HEARINGS

There were none.

I. CONSIDERATIONS

1. Consideration of Interest by Syndeo in an Airport Lease.

City Manager Nicklas said Syndeo and Dekalb Fiber Optic would like to build north of the maintenance building on airport property, and Council will likely consider a 20-year lease.

Mayor Smith noted the Airport Advisory Board favors the plan.

J. RESOLUTIONS

1. Resolution 2019-112 Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into a Purchase Agreement with the Kishwaukee Water Reclamation District for the Purchase of a Vehicle in the Amount of \$57,500.

Mayor Smith read the resolution by title only.

MOTION

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

City Manager Nicklas noted the advantages of this vehicle, including cost.

VOTE

Motion carried 7-0-1 on roll call vote. Aye: Verbic, Faivre, Morris, Finucane, Fagan, McAdams, Mayor Smith. Nay: none. Absent: Smith. Mayor Smith declared the resolution passed.

K. ORDINANCES – SECOND READING

There were none.

L. ORDINANCES – FIRST READING

1. Ordinance 2019-047 Amending Chapter 10 “Landlord-Tenant Regulations”, Section 10.08 “Landlord/Tenant Handbook”.

Mayor Smith read the ordinance by title only.

MOTION

Alderman Faivre moved to approve first reading. Alderman Verbic seconded.

City Manager Nicklas noted that the amendments were vetted by the DeKalb Area Rental Association (DARA) as well as by City staff.

VOTE

Motion carried 7-0-1 on roll call vote. Aye: Faivre, Morris, Finucane, Fagan, McAdams, Verbic, Mayor Smith. Nay: none. Absent: Smith.

MOTION

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

VOTE

Motion carried 7-0-1 on roll call vote. Aye: Morris, Finucane, Fagan, McAdams, Verbic, Faivre, Mayor Smith. Nay: none. Absent: Smith. Mayor Smith declared the ordinance passed.

2. Ordinance 2019-048 Authorizing a Special Services Agreement with the DeKalb Municipal Band for Services Beginning January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019, in an Amount Not to Exceed \$38,250, and Amending the Budget for the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2019 (FY2019).

Mayor Smith read the ordinance by title only.

MOTION

Alderman Verbic moved to approve first reading. Alderman Faivre seconded.

VOTE

Motion passed 7-0-1 on roll call vote. Aye: Finucane, Fagan, McAdams, Verbic, Faivre, Morris, Mayor Smith. Nay: none. Absent: Smith.

MOTION

Alderman Verbic moved to waive second reading and pass the ordinance. Alderman Fagan seconded.

VOTE

Motion carried 7-0-1 on roll call vote. Aye: Fagan, McAdams, Verbic, Faivre, Morris, Finucane, Mayor Smith. Nay: none. Absent: Smith. Mayor Smith declared the ordinance passed.

3. Ordinance 2019-049 Amending the Fiscal Year End December 31, 2019 (FY2019) Budget to Execute a Loan from the Water Fund for the Installation of a Fire Suppression System at 924 Greenbrier Road.

Mayor Smith read the ordinance by title only.

MOTION

Alderman Verbic moved to approve first reading. Alderman Fagan seconded.

VOTE

Motion carried 7-0-1 on roll call vote. Aye: McAdams, Verbic, Faivre, Morris, Finucane, Fagan, Mayor Smith. Nay: none. Absent: Smith. Mayor Smith declared the motion passed.

MOTION

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

VOTE

Motion carried 7-0-1 on roll call vote. Aye: Verbic, Faivre, Morris, Finucane, Fagan, McAdams, Mayor Smith. Nay: none. Absent: Smith. Mayor Smith declared the ordinance passed.

4. Ordinance 2019-050 Authorizing a Special Use Permit for a Video Gaming Establishment at 122 E. Hillcrest Drive (RLDR, LLC).

Mayor Smith read the ordinance by title only.

MOTION

Alderman Finucane moved to pass first reading. Alderman Faivre seconded.

VOTE

Motion carried 7-0-1 on roll call vote. Aye: Faivre, Morris, Finucane, Fagan, McAdams, Verbic, Mayor Smith. Nay: none. Absent: Smith. Mayor Smith declared the motion passed.

MOTION

Alderman Finucane moved to waive second reading and pass the ordinance. Alderman McAdams seconded.

VOTE

Motion carried 7-0-1 on roll call vote. Aye: Morris, Finucane, Fagan, McAdams, Verbic, Faivre, Mayor Smith. Nay: none. Absent: Smith. Mayor Smith declared the motion passed.

M. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

1. Council Member Reports

Alderman Morris reported on her Ward meeting. She said there was good turnout by business owners, and that parking issues were discussed extensively. She said the "Double Dutch" activity was continuing, and she announced a trash pickup walk.

Alderman Finucane announced the "Biking with Beanie" event.

Alderman McAdams announced a ward meeting, where parking in the Ellwood neighborhood and other Fifth Ward issues would be discussed.

Alderman Verbic announced the Jehovah's Witnesses conference and Drum Corps International event.

Alderman Faivre said he will be scheduling a meeting soon about parking issues in the Seventh Ward.

Mayor Smith listed upcoming musical events through the week.

2. City Clerk Report

The City Clerk gave no report.

3. City Manager Report

The City Manager gave no report.

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

Approval to Hold an Executive Session in Order to Discuss:

1. Purchase or Lease of Real Property as Provided for in 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5)

Mayor Smith read the discussion item.

MOTION

Alderman Faivre moved to recess for Executive Session. Alderman Morris seconded.

VOTE

Motion carried 7-0-1 on roll call vote. Aye: Finucane, Fagan, McAdams, Verbic, Faivre, Morris, Mayor Smith. Nay: none. Absent: Smith. Mayor Smith declared a recess at 7:13 p.m.

O. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION

Following the return of Council to open session, Alderman Finucane moved to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 7:45 p.m. Alderman Faivre seconded.

VOTE

Motion carried on majority voice vote. Mayor Smith declared the meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

LYNN A. FAZEKAS, City Clerk

Approved by City Council: July 22, 2019.