

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE LA SALLE CITY COUNCIL
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS,
745 SECOND STREET, LA SALLE, IL.
7:00 P.M., TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2011**

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

PRESENT Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Green, Ptak, Lavieri,
Salazar, Schroeder, Herndon

ABSENT None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Alderman Schroeder and seconded by Alderman Lavieri that the minutes of the last regular meeting held Monday, January 24, 2011 are accepted and placed on file; each and every alderman has a copy. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

PETITIONS

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Salazar that 2011 Raffle Licenses are issued to LPAC, Lighted Way Association, Inc. Foundation, Catholic Charities and Illinois Valley Chapter of the American Red Cross. Each alderman has a copy of the applications. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Green and seconded by Alderman Ptak that the request from Mr. R. Kevin Platt for a variance to the zoning ordinance to reduce the set back of his property line at 1020 Hennepin Street from 5' to 1-1/2' for the erection of an attached 12' x 19' open carport on the north side of the home over an existing concrete driveway is accepted and referred to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a recommendation. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS

Moved by Alderman Bacidore and seconded by Alderman Lavieri that the Building Inspectors' Report for January 2011 showing total value of construction of \$32,000.00 and total fees collected of \$450.00 is accepted and placed on file; each alderman has a copy. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Grove reported that he and others in the city have received numerous letters, e-mails, etc regarding the good work that was done with snow removal. Mayor Grove said that usually we get negative comments and it's nice to get something positive and he wanted city employees to be aware of the compliments. The Mayor also thanked the

public works departments as well as the Police Department and the Fire Department for all their work during the snowstorm/blizzard and repairing the water main breaks.

STANDING COMMITTEES

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

OLD BUSINESS

Alderman Salazar asked if there was any progress regarding work on the Kaskaskia Hotel and at the former Sauer-Danfoss building. Alderman Lavieri said he has spoken with Mr. Carus regarding the Kaskaskia Hotel and Mr. Carus is still working on it. Alderman Schroeder said he has spoken to the people who purchased the former Sauer-Danfoss building and they are moving forward.

Mayor Grove said he again wanted to recognize Keven Daley for his award for 100% proficiency with his lab results at the waste water treatment plant. He has consistently won an award for quality assurance. Mr. Daley was applauded.

NEW BUSINESS

Alderman Lavieri asked if the city needs an ordinance that designates Eagle Drive as a city road.

Alderman Schroeder congratulated the boys basketball team from Trinity Catholic Academy for winning their regional competition.

ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS

Moved by Alderman Green and seconded by Alderman Salazar that Resolution No. 201101: a Resolution abating principal and interest on \$1,875,000 General Obligation Bonds, Series 2010B, of the City of LaSalle, LaSalle County, Illinois is accepted and passed; each alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Green, Ptak, Lavieri, Salazar, Schroeder, Herndon. NAY: None. Motion carried.

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7:18 P.M. Moved by Alderman Green and seconded by Alderman Herndon that the regular council meeting is adjourned and that the council goes into executive session regarding pending and/or potentially imminent litigation.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Green, Ptak, Lavieri, Salazar, Schroeder, Herndon. NAY: None. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: To discuss pending and/or potentially imminent litigation

7:43 P.M. Moved by Alderman Green and seconded by Alderman Schroeder that the council goes out of executive session and returns to the regular council meeting.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Green, Ptak, Lavieri, Salazar, Schroeder, Herndon. NAY: None. Motion carried. `

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Moved by Alderman Green and seconded by Alderman Demes that bills submitted totaling \$612,624.56 (Payroll \$147,607.20; bills to be paid \$106,435.55; bills paid \$358,581.81) be accepted, paid and placed on file; each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Green, Ptak, Lavieri, Salazar, Schroeder, Herndon. NAY: None. Motion carried. `

Mayor Grove said he appreciated all that Pete Miller had done for the city and the community and he offered his sympathy to the family.

Alderman Lavieri announced that the Park Board meeting scheduled for that evening was rescheduled to 5:00 P.M. on February 10th.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Alderman Salazar and seconded by Alderman Lavieri that the meeting be adjourned. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

ADJOURNED 7:45 P. M.

Virginia Kochanowski Clerk