

**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., MONDAY, MARCH 21, 2011**

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

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

ABSENT Alderman Bacidore, Green

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Alderman Schroeder and seconded by Alderman Lavieri that the minutes of the last regular meeting held Monday, March 7, 2011 are accepted and placed on file; each and every alderman has a copy. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

PETITIONS

Moved by Alderman Demes and seconded by Alderman Ptak that the Girl Scouts of Central Illinois Troop #1315 are allowed to sell cookies at various locations in the city on Saturday, March 26, 2011. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Salazar that Ameren Illinois is allowed to break ground at 926 19th Street to install new gas service and at 1564 4th Street to retire gas service. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Demes that the request for a 2011 Raffle License from LaSalle County C.A.S.A. is granted. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Demes and seconded by Alderman Salazar that the request from John Ptak and Ryan Storage for closure of the parking lot east of Storage's for a fundraiser is granted provided they fence off the property, with the fence on their property, and that they provide a date of the event. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS

Moved by Alderman Herndon and seconded by Alderman Schroeder that the Police Income Report for February 2011 showing total fees collected of \$20,402.42 is accepted and placed on file; each alderman has a copy. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Lavieri that the Illinois Department of Revenue reports showing sales tax for December 2010 of \$73,285.83 and referendum approved sales tax of \$31,281.30 for a total of \$104,567.13 are accepted and placed on file; each alderman has a copy. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

Mayor Grove announced he has received a communication informing him that the city will be eligible for reimbursement from FEMA for removal of snow following the snowstorm/blizzard in February.

PROCLAMATION

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Salazar that the Proclamation declaring May 2011 as Motorcycle Awareness Month is accepted; each alderman has a copy. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

PROCLAMATION: May 2011 as Motor Cycle Awareness Month

STANDING COMMITTEES

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Salazar that the resignation of Joe Stachowicz from the Park and Recreation Board is accepted with regret. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

**Resignation:
Joe Stachowicz from Park and Recreation Board**

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Salazar that the Mayor's appointment of Ambrosia Engels to the Park and Recreation Board to 2014 is accepted. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

**Appointment:
Ambrosia Engel to Park Board to 2014**

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

OLD BUSINESS

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Demes that approval is given for payment to Sjostrom & Sons, Inc. and CMT, pending approval of the IEPA.

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

NEW BUSINESS

Moved by Alderman Schroeder and seconded by Alderman Ptak that a request for a no parking here to corner sign at 2108 Hennepin Street be referred to the Streets, Alleys and Traffic Committee for a recommendation. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Herndon and seconded by Alderman Schroeder that the Streets, Alleys and Traffic Committee study and make a recommendation regarding parking on both sides of O'Conor Avenue near the veterans home and also at the intersection of Tonti and O'Conor, since there have been complaints that vehicles parked on O'Conor Avenue near the intersection of Tonti Street are blocking the view of traffic on Tonti. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

Alderman Salazar said he has received a request for some type of signage on Rt. 351 to make motorists aware that there are businesses on 8th Street (something like the blue sign on Rt. 351 just south of 11th Street).

There was discussion of the notices that were placed at homes in the 3rd ward by Illinois Valley Waste. The notices said that yard waste pick up would begin May 1, 2011 and residents would need to send a check for \$10.00 to be eligible for yard waste pick up. Residents would also need to put a \$2.00 sticker on each bag or bundle. Mayor Grove said it was his understanding that when the resident paid the \$10.00 fee they would receive 2 stickers from the IV Waste and he said he would contact Illinois Valley Waste to further discuss the notice.

ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS

7:30 P.M. Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Demes that the regular council meeting is adjourned and that the council goes into Executive Session to discuss the possible sale of city real estate and related matters.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION to discuss the possible sale of city real estate and related matters.

7:57 P.M. Moved by Alderman Schroeder and seconded by Alderman Herndon that the Executive Session is adjourned and the council returns to the regular council meeting.

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

COMMENTS

Mayor Grove announced that the LaSalle Fire Department and the LaSalle Business Association is sponsoring an Open House at the Fire Department on Wednesday, March 23rd from 5:15 P.M. to 7:00 P.M.

Mayor Grove announced that he has received word from IDOT that they will be resurfacing Rt. 6 from Peru to the area East of Casey's Store in LaSalle and that the resurfacing will be curb-to-curb.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Demes that bills submitted totaling \$698,808.29 (Payroll \$138,400.19; bills to be paid \$135,455.90; bills paid \$424,952.20) be accepted, paid and placed on file; each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Ptak, Lavieri, Salazar, Schroeder, Herndon.

NAY: None. ABSENT: Alderman Bacidore, Green. Motion carried. `

ADJOURNMENT

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

ADJOURNED 8:47 P. M.

Virginia Kochanowski Clerk

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