

**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, OCTOBER 31, 2011**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT** Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Edgcomb Lavieri,  
Duncan, Herndon, Schneider

**ABSENT** None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Moved by Alderman Herndon and seconded by Alderman Lavieri that the minutes of the last regular meeting held Monday, October 17, 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 Duncan that representatives of RHMG and 3-D Design are allowed to address the council. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

Marsha McCutchan of RHMG Engineers, Inc. and Daniel Dalziel of 3D Design Studio gave an update on Phase I. Ms. McCutchan said she had met with various stake-holder groups and as a result of those stake-holder meetings she presented several options and ideas. There were six alternatives. Three had a Southern entrance more central to the 52-acre park site and the other three had a northern entrance. They all had a similar range of park elements. It was the consensus of the aldermen, members of the Rotary Park Committee and others that the central entrance was preferable. The formal decision will be made at the November 14<sup>th</sup> council meeting.

Alderman Ptak requested confirmation from Ms McCutchan that the engineering fee for Phase I will not exceed the \$95,000.00 fee and the project would not exceed the grant amount of \$800,000.00. Ms. McCutchan agreed.

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Duncan that the consensus of the council members is that the southern/central route into the park is preferable and that formal action is taken at the November 14, 2011 council meeting.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Edgcomb, Lavieri, Duncan, Herndon, Schneider. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Schneider and seconded by Alderman Edgcomb that the requests for a 2001 Raffle License from the LaSalle VFW Post 4668 and from the IV Juniors are granted. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

### **REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS**

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Lavieri that the Annual Treasurers' Report for the City of LaSalle for the Fiscal Year Ending April 30, 2011 is accepted and placed on file; each and every alderman has a copy. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Herndon and seconded by Alderman Schneider that the Police Income Report for September 2011 showing total fees collected of \$15,318.97 is accepted and placed on file; each and every alderman has a copy. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Demes that the Illinois Department of Revenue Reports for July 2011 showing sales tax of \$97,243.42 and referendum approved sales tax of \$42,891.64 for a total of \$140,135.06 are accepted and placed on file; each and every alderman has a copy. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

### **STANDING COMMITTEES**

Alderman Duncan stated that the Lighting Committee will meet at 6:45 P.M. on November 14<sup>th</sup> to discuss decorative lighting downtown and he hopes the committee will have a recommendation for the next Council meeting on the 14<sup>th</sup>.

### **SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Edgcomb that authorization is given for payment to Sjostrom & Sons, Inc. (Inv. 21577) for the wastewater treatment plant system improvements, pending approval of the IEPA

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Edgcomb, Lavieri, Duncan, Herndon, Schneider. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Schneider that the proposal from RHMG to complete the Master Plan for Rotary Park with the fee of \$25,350.00 is accepted Attorney McPhedran asked for confirmation from Ms McCutchan that she was confident that RHMG can complete the master plan work from a design engineering standpoint for the amount in the proposal and no more. Ms McCutchan said that is correct.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Edgcomb, Lavieri, Duncan, Herndon, Schneider. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Alderman Bacidore announced that the Streets, Alleys and Traffic Committee will meet at 6:15 P.M. on Monday, November 14<sup>th</sup> to make a recommendation to the council regarding the request to close 2<sup>nd</sup> Street from Wright and Marquette for a LaSalle Days Celebration.

Alderman Lavieri asked if the council should consider combining the two park parcels into one park. Ms McCutchan said the grant application is open enough that it is not necessary to combine the two parks. It was the recommendation of RHMG to stick with two parks at this time.

Alderman Duncan asked that the water line issue for the Yaklich property is put it on the November 14<sup>th</sup> agenda for further discussion. (potentially adding a water line from Garfield to O'Connor – The scope would be a 6” or 3” water line)

Alderman Bacidore said residents on 8<sup>th</sup> Street between LaFayette and Creve Coeur are complaining about LP students parking on both sides of the street, and they are requesting that one side of that street is designated as no parking school days. Alderman Bacidore moved and Alderman Demes seconded that the request be referred to the Streets, Alleys and Traffic Committee for study and a recommendation. The Committee will meet at 6:15 P.M. on Monday, November 14<sup>th</sup>. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

Alderman Duncan wanted to remind residents that the leaf vacuum program is up and running and he encouraged residents to use that program rather than burning their leaves. Mayor Grove said the yard waste bags are also another alternative.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS**

Moved by Alderman Bacidore and seconded by Alderman Schneider that Ordinance No: 2303: An Ordinance Further Regulating and Amending Parking Ordinances in the City of LaSalle, Illinois (no parking on the south side of Gunn Avenue from the driveway on the south side of Gunn Avenue closest to the Gunn Avenue intersection with Chartres Street then west back to the intersection of Gunn Avenue & Chartres Street) is accepted and passed; each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Edgcomb, Lavieri, Duncan, Herndon, Schneider. NAY: None. Motion carried.

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Moved by Alderman Demes and seconded by Alderman Duncan that Ordinance No.2304: An Ordinance Amending Ordinances Regarding Certain Aspects of Compensation, Hiring, Residency and Related Matters Concerning Paid On Call Firefighters (Amending Ordinance No. 2228 regarding fixing the amount to be paid to volunteer officers, volunteer members of the Fire Department, First Responders and members of MABAS teams and amending Ordinance No.667 Creating and Establishing Volunteer Fire Department of the City of LaSalle) is accepted and passed; each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Edgcomb, Lavieri, Duncan, Herndon, Schneider. NAY: None. Motion carried.

**Ordinance No. 2304: An Ordinance Amending Ordinances Regarding Certain Aspects of Compensation, Hiring, Residency and Related Matters Concerning Paid On Call Firefighters (Amending Ordinance No. 2228 regarding fixing the amount to be paid to volunteer officers, volunteer members of the Fire Department, First Responders and members of MABAS teams and amending Ordinance No.667 Creating and Establishing Volunteer Fire Department of the City of LaSalle)**

### **COMMENTS**

Alderman Bacidore said he wanted to recognize the Ax Church for their work providing popcorn, candy and hot chocolate and also for other help during the Hometown Halloween event over the weekend. Mayor Grove also thanked participants and businesses for everything they did to promote the event. The weather was beautiful. The Mayor thanked the Public Works, the Fire and Police Departments as well as LPAC members for their help.

Police Chief Rob Uranich said there have recently been mail scams where bogus financial institutions send out mailings as well as checks to the elderly in particular and ask those people to send them a personal check back. If anyone receives such a check they should take it to their local financial institution or the police department.

Economic Development Director Don Aleksy said he is coordinating ground breaking ceremonies this week and he asked council members to try to be there if possible.

### **APPROVAL OF BILLS**

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Herndon that bills submitted totaling \$461,941.03 (Payroll \$145,176.23; bills to be paid \$151,954.63; bills paid \$164,810.17) be accepted, paid and placed on file; each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Edgcomb, Lavieri, Duncan, Herndon, Schneider. NAY: None. Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT**

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

**ADJOURNED 8:55 P. M.**

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Virginia Kochanowski Clerk

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