

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE LA SALLE CITY COUNCIL
October 3, 2022**

A regular meeting of the La Salle City Council of La Salle, Illinois was held, Monday, October 3, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. with Mayor Jeff Grove presiding with proper notices being duly and continuously posted.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Present - Mayor Grove, Aldermen Bacidore, Thompson, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Crane, Herndon

Absent - NONE

A quorum was present.

Others Present: **Others Present:** Deputy Clerk Brent Bader, Finance Director John Duncan, Economic Development Director Curt Bedei, Director of Public Works Patrick Watson, City Attorney James McPhedran, City Treasurer Virginia Kochanowski

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Moved by Alderman Laveiri and seconded by Alderman Thompson to go into executive session regarding pending and/or potentially imminent litigation and related matters. Collective bargaining and related matters, and acquisition and/or sale of city real estate and related matters and the employment, discipline, appointment, performance and/or compensation of non-union and/or union personnel and related matters pursuant to the Open Meetings Act including 5-ILCS 120 section 2(c)1-2,5,6,11 thereof.

ROLL CALL

AYE: Aldermen Bacidore, Thompson, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Herndon, Crane

NAY: None **Absent:** NONE **Abstain:** None

MOTION CARRIED: 8-0

Mayor adjourned the regular session meeting at 6:32 p.m.

Mayor proceeded back into the regular session meeting at 7 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present - Mayor Grove, Aldermen Bacidore, Thompson, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Crane, Herndon

Absent - NONE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Alderman Reynolds and seconded by Alderman Thompson to accept and place on file the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held September 19, 2022. Each and every alderman has a copy.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION AND POTENTIAL ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING PETITIONS:

Moved by Alderman Herndon and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to approve the request from Comcast and Porter Installations to install CATV service near 2911 East 6th Road.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to grant the request from Eureka Savings Bank to install two illuminated, single facing signs at 250 Marquette Street.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS

Moved by Alderman Herndon and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to accept and place on file the Monthly Police Income Report for September 2022 showing total fees collected of \$5,134.61

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to accept and appreciate a donation of labor and materials in the amount of \$1,397.00 to Rotary Park from Cyclops Welding Company.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

STANDING COMMITTEES

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Lavieri to accept the recommendation from the Finance Committee to support the Resolution of the City of LaSalle in support of Passenger Rail Service and the financial participation in the application to the Federal Rail Administration's Rail Corridor Identification and Development Program for the Peoria to Chicago Region.

ROLL CALL

AYE: Aldermen Bacidore, Thompson, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Herndon, Crane

NAY: None **Absent:** NONE **Abstain:** None

MOTION CARRIED: 8-0

Moved by Alderman Ptak and Alderman Lavieri to accept the Finance Committee recommendation to deny the request for a donation to LaSalle-Peru Christian School as part of its "Race for Education" fundraiser.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Bacidore to table the recommendation of the SAT committee regarding a request to add a "Resident Only" parking sign in front of 145 Ninth St.

Moved by Alderman Bacidore and seconded by Alderman Ptak to accept the recommendation of the SAT Committee to install a "Caution Def Person in Area" sign in front of 328 LaHarpe Street.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Alderman Bacidore asked for Deputy Bader to put a work order in for the installation of the sign.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Jeppson to approve the recommendation of the Zoning Board of Appeals to grant the request of Travel Center Realty, LLC a/k/a Southern Tire Mart, by its authorized representatives, for variances regarding premises commonly known as 341 Civic Road, LaSalle, Illinois.

ROLL CALL

AYE: Aldermen Bacidore, Thompson, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Herndon, Crane

NAY: None **Absent:** NONE **Abstain:** None

MOTION CARRIED: 8-0

OLD BUSINESS

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Thompson to pay and authorize Payment Request to Cruz Concrete Inc. totaling \$18,105.00 for completed work on 2022 Lagoon Modifications project.

ROLL CALL

AYE: Aldermen Bacidore, Thompson, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Herndon, Crane

NAY: None **Absent:** NONE **Abstain:** None

MOTION CARRIED: 8-0

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Jeppson to pay and authorize payment request to Advanced Asphalt Company totaling \$55,583.09 for completed work 2022 Lincoln Court Improvements project.

ROLL CALL

AYE: Aldermen Bacidore, Thompson, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Herndon, Crane

NAY: None **Absent:** NONE **Abstain:** None

MOTION CARRIED: 8-0

Moved by Alderman Herndon and seconded by Alderman Crane to pay Estimate #2 for Universal Asphalt & Excavating, Inc. totaling \$301,833.78 for work completed to date on 2022 Road Improvements - Rebuild Illinois (RBI) project.

ROLL CALL

AYE: Aldermen Bacidore, Thompson, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Herndon, Crane

NAY: None **Absent:** NONE **Abstain:** None

MOTION CARRIED: 8-0

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Thompson to authorize and pay estimate #2 for Universal Asphalt & Excavating, Inc. totaling \$161,793.55 for work completed to date on the 2022 Road Improvements MFT project.

ROLL CALL

AYE: Aldermen Bacidore, Thompson, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Herndon, Crane

NAY: None **Absent:** NONE **Abstain:** None

MOTION CARRIED: 8-0

Building Inspector Bacidore mentioned the report in regards to 217 Marquette Street from Wendler Engineering. He felt the report was self explanatory and told the council members that they could ask any questions if they wish. Mayor Grove thought it would be best to get some time tables like they are requesting from 801-805 First Street.

Alderman Bacidore questioned when they are going out for bids and where they are advertising to.

Reynolds mentioned that Watson has not received any bids currently for 801-805. Bacidore asked if the bid process was published and posted.

Mayor is hoping that Reynolds can get some hard dates from contractors and for work from Watson. Watson is out of the office for two weeks and the information was passed on to Reynolds from Erin Maze.

Ptak asked Bacidore if there was an issue with the garage trusses. Bacidore mentioned that the issue was not with the garage trusses, it was an issue with the north wall. This is what is concerning the structural engineer currently. This sounds to be the main concern. Reynolds reminded the council that this report just recently came out so the company knows just as much as they do in regards to the issues.

Mayor stated that the work is finally being done on KFC and it is good news for the city. The company does have plans to rebuild.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Grove read a statement in regards to a newspaper article from this past Saturday and a FOIA request the City received. Mayor Jeff Grove's written statement will be submitted as Exhibit A.

DISCUSSION AND POTENTIAL ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS:

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Lavieri to approve and accept the resolution of the City of LaSalle in support of Passenger Rail Service and the financial participation in the application to the Federal Rail Administration's Rail Corridor Identification and Development Program for the Peoria to Chicago Region. Each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL

AYE: Aldermen Bacidore, Thompson, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Herndon, Crane

NAY: None **Absent:** NONE **Abstain:** None

MOTION CARRIED: 8-0

Moved by Alderman Laveiri and seconded by Alderman Jeppson to accept an Ordinance authorizing variances concerning premises as requested by Travel Center Realty, LLC a/k/a Southern Tire Mart, by its authorized representatives, regarding premises commonly known as 341 Civic Road, within the City of LaSalle, Illinois. Each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL

AYE: Aldermen Bacidore, Thompson, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Herndon, Crane

NAY: None **Absent:** NONE **Abstain:** None

MOTION CARRIED: 8-0

Mayor Grove believes it will be a good thing for the Flying J. There is constant traffic in and out of the truck stop currently.

Mayor Grove asked for a straw vote to have Leah Inman hired as an outside consultant. She would be available to help out with Thortons and the Rail Program. All council members were in agreement of this straw vote. This item will be on the agenda for approval for the next meeting.

Alderman Crane wanted to acknowledge and thank Cyclops Welding for the job well done at Rotary Park.

Alderman Herndon wanted to point out to the residents that it takes more than some believe for the demolition process of KFC to occur. Mayor thanked Bacidore, Attorney McPhedran, and Jacob Frost for the work that was done to get this demolition taken care of.

COMMENTS

There were no more questions or comments from the public.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Lavieri to accept, pay, and place on file bills for September 19, 2022 with Total Submitted: \$595,428.87 (Total Payroll \$177,945.20, Bills to be Paid \$157,732.57, Total Bills Paid \$259,751.10).

ROLL CALL

AYE: Aldermen Bacidore, Thompson, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Herndon, Crane

NAY: None **Absent:** NONE **Abstain:** None

MOTION CARRIED: 8-0

Moved by Alderman Reynolds and seconded by Alderman Crane to adjourn the meeting. Voice vote, all ayes. Motion is carried.

ADJOURNED 7:33pm

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Amy Quinn". The signature is fluid and cursive, with "Amy" on the first line and "Quinn" on the second line.

Amy Quinn, City Clerk