

WEST FRANKFORT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2019

1. MAYOR JORDAN CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 6:00 P.M. REQUESTING A ROLL CALL. ALL COMMISSIONERS WERE IN ATTENDANCE, ALONG WITH THE CITY ATTORNEY AND CITY CLERK.
2. MAYOR JORDAN ASKED FOR APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE FEBRUARY 12, 2019 COUNCIL MEETING. COMMISSIONER HARKINS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.
3. MAYOR JORDAN NEXT ASKED FOR APPROVAL TO PAY CITY BILLS AND PAYROLL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$277,136.97. COMMISSIONER SIMPSON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HARKINS. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.
4. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO ACCEPT BIDS AND AWARD PROJECTS FOR DEMOLITION. THE MAYOR STATED THIS IS THE 200 BLOCK OF EAST MAIN. THE ROOF IS LEAKING AND IT IS CAUSING DAMAGE ACROSS TO THE OTHER BUILDINGS. WE HAVE HAD PRE-BID MEETINGS AND WE HAVE RECEIVED THREE BIDS ON THE DEMOLITION OF THOSE BUILDINGS IN THE BACK BY THE ALLEY. THE FIRST BID IS FROM EARTH SERVICES FOR \$23,390.00, NEAT CUT LAWN CARE \$12,820.00 AND MCVICKERS \$13,500.00 AND A SEPARATE BID TO REMOVE THE SUBGRADE AND PUT IN GRAVEL FOR A PARKING LOT FOR \$5,875.00. ROGER STANLEY STATED THE STREET DEPARTMENT WILL DO THE PARKING LOT. ACCORDING TO MY INFORMATION MR. MCVICKER WAS THE ONLY ONE WHO ATTENDED ALL THE MEETINGS, WE HAVE ALSO DONE BUSINESS WITH HIM IN THE PAST AND HE IS VERY EASY TO WORK WITH. MY RECOMMENDATION WOULD BE BECAUSE OF HIS EXPERIENCE AND OUR WORKING RELATIONSHIP WITH HIM WOULD BE MCVICKER FOR \$13,500.00. COMMISSIONER BLADES MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

THE NEXT BID WAS FOR 1004 E. POPLAR WE RECEIVED ONE BID FROM JOPLIN SALVAGE FOR \$4,925.00.

COMMISSIONER HARKINS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SIMPSON. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

5. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF A PROPOSED NEW COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND ILLINOIS FOP LABOR COUNCIL/SWORN POLICE OFFICERS TO COVER THE PERIOD OF MARCH 1, 2019 THROUGH FEBRUARY 28, 2023. THE MAYOR STATED IT IS A 1.5% INCREASE ON SALARY AND A LITTLE TWEAKING ON THE CONTRACT. COMMISSIONER SIMPSON STATED IT IS A 1.5% PER YEAR INCREASE FOR THE NEXT THREE YEARS WITH A WAGE REOPENER IN THE FOURTH YEAR AND AN INCREASE IN LONGEVITY FROM 20 TO 25 YEARS. THE MAYOR STATED ALL THE CONTRACTS THAT ARE FOR APPROVAL TONIGHT ARE THE SAME. COMMISSIONER HARKINS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BLADES. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.
6. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF A PROPOSED NEW COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND ILLINOIS FOP LABOR COUNCIL/CAPTAINS TO COVER THE PERIOD OF MARCH 1, 2019 THROUGH FEBRUARY 28, 2023. COMMISSIONER HARKINS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SIMPSON. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.
7. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF A PROPOSED NEW COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND LOCAL 2402 INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FIRE FIGHTERS, AFL-CIO, CLC TO COVER THE PERIOD OF MARCH 1, 2019 THROUGH FEBRUARY 28, 2023. COMMISSIONER HARKINS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BLADES. ROLL CALL VOTE: COMMISSIONER HARKINS, COMMISSIONER BLADES, COMMISSIONER SIMPSON AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS ABSTAINED. MOTION CARRIED.
8. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF A PROPOSED NEW COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND LABORERS LOCAL 773/DISPATCHERS TO COVER THE PERIOD OF MARCH 1, 2019

THROUGH FEBRUARY 28, 2023. COMMISSIONER HARKINS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

9. THE NEXT ITEM WAS DISCUSSION, WITH POSSIBLE ACTION, REGARDING FAÇADE IMPROVEMENT GRANT APPLICATIONS. THE MAYOR STATED THIS APPLICATION IS FROM STONE FUNERAL HOME THEY ARE PUTTING UP A NEW SIGN. THE COST IS \$11,646.00 THE CITY WILL PAY THE FIRST \$2,500.00 OF ANY PROJECT THAT IS \$5,000.00 OR MORE. COMMISSIONER BLADES MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.
10. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH MB HOMETOWN PROPERTIES FOR TAX INCREMENT FINANCING REDEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT FOR REDEVELOPMENT OF CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE CITY OF WEST FRANKFORT, ILLINOIS. THE MAYOR STATED THIS IS FROM MORELAND/BISHOP FOR THE OLD KMART PLAZA WHICH IS NOW THE WEST FRANKFORT PLAZA. THEY HAVE REQUESTED A TIF AGREEMENT TO DO SOME IMPROVEMENTS TO THE SHOPPING MALL. THEY WILL BE REMOVING THE OLD FAÇADE AND REPLACE IT WITH A NEW LIGHT GRAY METAL FAÇADE, REPLACE LED LOT LIGHTS, REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT OF CONCRETE. THE PROPERTY TAXES GENERATED OUT THERE ARE ABOUT \$23,000.00 OF TIF FUNDS ANNUALLY. THE RECOMMENDATION IS THAT WE GIVE THEM A GRANT WHICH WOULD BE A ONE TIME PAYMENT OF \$35,000.00 TOWARDS THE IMPROVEMENTS. COMMISSIONER SIMPSON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HARKINS. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.
11. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF A DONATION TO THE OLD KING COAL COMMITTEE. THE MAYOR STATED LAST YEAR WE GAVE \$10,000.00 TO THE OLD KING COAL COMMITTEE. COMMISSIONER SIMPSON RECOMMENDED DONATING \$5,000.00 FROM THE GAMBLING FUND AND \$5,000.00 FROM THE TOURISM FUND. COMMISSIONER SIMPSON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION

CARRIED.

12. THE NEXT ITEM WAS DISCUSSION, WITH POSSIBLE ACTION, REGARDING THE LEASING OF LAKE LOTS. THE MAYOR STATED WE HAD A LAKE COMMITTEE MEETING ON THE 21ST ABOUT THE OLD 4H CAMP (WOODMEN OF THE WORLD)/SCOTT WILLIAMS PROPERTY. THE COUNCIL AND CITY ATTORNEY HAD DISCUSSION ABOUT LEASING THESE LOTS TO SCOTT WILLIAMS. THIS MATTER WAS TABLED.
13. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO PAY AN INVOICE FROM FRANKLIN COUNTY HIGHWAY FUND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,020.00 FOR THE PURCHASE OF SALT FOR THE WF MALL. THE MAYOR STATED WE HAD TO GET SALT WITHOUT CINDERS FOR THE MALL PARKING LOT. COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SIMPSON. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.
14. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO PAY AN INVOICE FROM SERVPRO R&L RESTORATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,265.73 REGARDING CLEAN UP OF SUITE 102 AT THE WF MALL. THE MAYOR STATED WHEN WE HAD THAT BIG RAIN ONE OF THE GUTTERS COLLAPSED INSIDE THE MALL AND FLOODED ONE OF WPS ROOMS. THEY HIRED SERVEPRO TO COME IN AND CLEAN IT ALL UP AND THIS IS THE BILL FOR THAT. COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BLADES. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.
15. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO PAY AN INVOICE FROM DOOR DOCTOR OF SOUTHERN ILLINOIS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,901.00 REGARDING REPAIRS FOR SUITE 8 AT WFBI. DON GASS STATED THEY ARE GOING TO CUT A HOLE AND INSTALL A DOOR SO THEY CAN TAKE FORK TRUCK TRAFFIC BACK AND FORTH AND LOAD TRUCKS INSIDE THE BUILDING. WALLACE IS GOING TO PAY \$1090.00 FOR AN OPENER FOR THE OTHER DOOR SO THEY WILL JOIN TOGETHER. COMMISSIONER SIMPSON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

16. BUILDING AND SIGN PERMITS:

N/A

17. MAYORS COMMENTS:

THE MAYOR STATED WE WENT AND TALKED TO A COUPLE BUSINESS PEOPLE ABOUT MAKING SURE THE MERCHANTS ON MAIN STREET ARE AWARE OF THE IDOT RESURFACING PROJECT AND PUTTING IN SIDEWALKS. WE WENT TO THE GRAND OPENING FOR NIFTY SWIFTY UP IN THE HEIGHTS IT LOOKED REALLY NICE. I WANT TO THANK THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, POLICE DEPARTMENT, DISPATCHERS AND ALL THE COMMISSIONERS FOR ALL THE WORK THAT WAS PUT IN ON THE AGREEMENT OF THE CONTRACTS.

18. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:

COMMISSIONER HARKINS STATED THE FIRE AND POLICE DEPARTMENT ARE A GOOD BUNCH TO REPRESENT.

COMMISSIONER SIMPSON STATED IT WAS A PLEASURE DEALING WITH THE POLICEMEN, FIREMEN AND DISPATCHERS TO GET THEIR AGREEMENTS AND I LOOK FORWARD TO ALL THE OTHER UNITS BEING TAKEN CARE OF.

COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS STATED SHE HAS BEEN WORKING WITH IDOT TO TRY AND RESOLVE THE ISSUE AT THE CORNER EAST OF THE NEW DOLLAR GENERAL. IT IS ON DOLLAR GENERAL TO FIX IT AND THE STATE IS OVERSEEING IT BECAUSE IT CONNECTS WITH THE STATE HIGHWAY.

19. AUDIENCE QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS:

20. MAYOR JORDAN ASKED FOR APPROVAL TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS, PERSONNEL, LAND ACQUISITION AND/OR PENDING LITIGATION, WITH POSSIBLE ACTION. COMMISSIONER HARKINS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SIMPSON. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS ALONG WITH THE MAYOR VOTED YES. MOTION CARRIED. THE COUNCIL WENT INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 6:46 P.M.

21. THE COUNCIL RETURNED TO OPEN SESSION AT 7:16 P.M. ON A MOTION BY COMMISSIONER SIMPSON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HARKINS. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS ALONG WITH MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO RETURN TO OPEN SESSION. MOTION CARRIED.

22. WITH NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO BE DISCUSSED, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED ON A MOTION BY COMMISSIONER HARKINS AT 7:16 P.M.


MAYOR TOM JORDAN


ANGIE BAKER DEATON, CITY CLERK