

**WEST FRANKFORT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**  
**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2019**

1. MAYOR JORDAN CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 6:00 P.M. REQUESTING A ROLL CALL. COMMISSIONER HARKINS, COMMISSIONER SIMPSON AND COMMISSIONER WARREN WERE IN ATTENDANCE, ALONG WITH THE CITY ATTORNEY AND DEPUTY CITY CLERK. COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS WAS NOT IN ATTENDANCE.
  
2. MAYOR JORDAN ASKED FOR APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE OCTOBER 22, 2019 COUNCIL MEETING. COMMISSIONER HARKINS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WARREN. 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 \$294,176.38. 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 OF A RESOLUTION FOR THE C.A.R.E ASSOCIATION TO SPONSOR THE FANTASY OF LIGHTS PARADE TO BE HELD TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2019 AT 6:30 P.M. COMMISSIONER WARREN 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 DISCUSSION, WITH POSSIBLE ACTION, REGARDING A FAÇADE IMPROVEMENT GRANT APPLICATION. THE MAYOR STATED WE HAVE A GRANT APPLICATION FROM HOLLYWOOD STAR THE OWNERS ARE LISA FROST AND CARISSA NORRIS. THEY ARE REPLACING THE FRONT WINDOWS, DOOR AND THE STICKER ON THE WINDOW. THE REPLACEMENT OF THE WINDOWS WAS \$5,600.00, DOOR \$1,200.00 AND THE STICKER WAS \$230.00. WE WILL MATCH HALF UP TO \$5,000.00 SO OUR PORTION

WILL BE \$2,500.00. COMMISSIONER SIMPSON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HARKINS. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

6. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF AN ESTIMATE TO TRANSITION AND UPGRADE THE CURRENT COMPUTER SYSTEM FROM WINDOWS 7 AND INSTALL SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS AT THE NEW CITY HALL. THE MAYOR STATED THE CURRENT SYSTEM THAT THE CITY IS OPERATING ON IS WINDOWS 7 AND MICROSOFT WILL NO LONGER SUPPORT THAT PROGRAM SO WE HAVE CONTACTED 4SIWI TO REPLACE AND SET THESE UP. THEY WILL ALSO SET UP OUR PHONE SYSTEM, SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM AND CAMERAS AND WIFI FOR THE BUILDING. THE TOTAL COST FOR ALL OF THIS WILL BE \$29,064.29. COMMISSIONER SIMPSON STATED THIS INCLUDES TABLETS FOR THE COMMISSIONERS FOR THE COUNCIL MEETINGS. THE MAYOR STATED YES WE WILL BE PAPER FREE. COMMISSIONER SIMPSON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HARKINS. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.
7. THE NEXT ITEM WAS DISCUSSION, WITH POSSIBLE ACTION, REGARDING THE RENEWAL OF THE ADVERTISING CONTRACT WITH LAMAR BILLBOARDS. THIS BILLBOARD IS SOUTHBOUND RIGHT BEFORE THE BENTON EXIT AND IT WILL ADVERTISE FOR CHRISTMAS TOWN. COMMISSIONER WARREN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SIMPSON. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.
8. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO BLOCK TRAFFIC ON ANNA STREET BETWEEN MAIN STREET AND OAK STREET ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2019 FROM 3:00 P.M. UNTIL 10:00 PM.M TO PREPARE FOR THE FANTASY LIGHTS PARADE. COMMISSIONER HARKINS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WARREN. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

9. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO PAY AN ESTIMATE FROM MANURE, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$21,645.00 REGARDING FALL LAND APPLICATION FOR THE SEWER DEPARTMENT. COMMISSIONER WARREN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SIMPSON. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.
10. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO PAY AN INVOICE FROM BROWN & ROBERTS, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$53,820.00 REGARDING IL RT 149, KEN GRAY BLVD & BOB BURTON WAY PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING. 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 TO PAY AN INVOICE FROM BROWN & ROBERTS, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,233.60 REGARDING 2019 STP NPDES PERMIT REVIEW. COMMISSIONER WARREN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SIMPSON. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.
12. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO PAY AN INVOICE FROM JOHNSON'S AUTO & TRUCK REPAIR IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,756.92 FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. COMMISSIONER HARKINS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WARREN. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.
13. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO PAY AN INVOICE FROM HAWKINS, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,844.04 FOR THE SEWER DEPARTMENT. THE MAYOR STATED ON THE AGENDA THE WORDING SHOULD SAY FROM RESSLER & ASSOCIATES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,500.00 PLUS NEW GASKETS FOR A MUFFIN MONSTER FOR THE SEWER DEPARTMENT. COMMISSIONER WARREN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SIMPSON. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

14. OFFICER REPORTS:

CHIEF PRUDENT READ THE POLICE DEPARTMENT'S REPORT.

COMMISSIONER HARKINS READ THE FIRE DEPARTMENT'S REPORT.

15. BUILDING AND SIGN PERMITS:

N/A

16. MAYORS COMMENTS:

THE MAYOR STATED THE LIGHTS PARADE IS GOING TO BE IN TWO WEEKS AND THERE IS A LOT OF HARD WORK THAT GOES INTO IT.

17. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:

COMMISSIONER HARKINS STATED THE POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENT IS SMOOTH. THE NEW FIRE TRUCK SHOULD BE IN SERVICE SOON.

COMMISSIONER SIMPSON STATED ROGER DID AN EXCELLENT JOB GETTING THE ROADS CLEARED FROM THE SNOW AND WE APPRECIATE IT.

COMMISSIONER WARREN ASKED IF THERE WERE MANY PEOPLE USING THE WARMING CENTER AT THE POLICE DEPARTMENT? POLICE CHIEF STATED I THINK THERE WERE A COUPLE THAT USED IT. WE ARE DOING GOOD AT THE WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENT. I WANT TO KNOW WHAT THE COUNCILS OPINION IS ON CLOSING THE GATE AT THE OLD LAKE AND ALSO THE DUCK BLINDS AND HOW THEY WORK? THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL DISCUSSED THIS AND WHAT THE OPTIONS ARE. THEY ALSO TALKED ABOUT THE PORTA POTTY AT THE LAKE.

18. AUDIENCE QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS:

I HAVE NOTICED THERE ARE SEVERAL INTERSECTIONS IN TOWN THAT DON'T HAVE STOP SIGNS OR YIELD SIGNS EITHER DIRECTION AND SOMEONE IS GOING TO GET HURT. SOME THAT I HAVE NOTICED ARE AT VANBUREN, 8<sup>TH</sup> & MONROE AND ON CLARK THERE ARE A LOT OF ROADS THAT DEAD END AND COMING OUT THERE ARE NO SIGNS EITHER WAY.

WHAT IS GOING ON WITH THE 9<sup>TH</sup> STREET SIDEWALKS? THE MAYOR STATED WE ARE STILL WAITING ON AN EASEMENT TO BE COMPLETED IN THAT ONE SECTION. CITY ATTORNEY, MIKE RIVA STATED I DON'T THINK THE FAMILY HAS EVER SIGNED IT AND I DON'T THINK THEY PLAN ON IT. THE MAYOR STATED I THINK THAT IS THE ONLY HOLD UP WE HAVE. WE WILL SEE IF WE CAN DO ANYTHING WITH THAT.

THE MAYOR STATED THE NEXT COUNCIL MEETING IS TWO WEEKS FROM TODAY AND IT WILL BE AT 10:00 A.M. BECAUSE OF THE LIGHTS PARADE THAT EVENING.

I WANT TO RECOGNIZE THE MCGUIRES THEY ARE GOING INTO THE OLD SPARKLING ARRANGEMENTS BUILDING. THEY OWN THE WEEPING WILLOW IN BENTON A FLOWER AND GIFT SHOP.

19. 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 6:52 P.M.
20. THE COUNCIL RETURNED TO OPEN SESSION AT 7:45 P.M. ON A MOTION BY COMMISSIONER HARKINS, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SIMPSON. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS ALONG WITH MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO RETURN TO OPEN SESSION. MOTION CARRIED.
21. WITH NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO BE DISCUSSED, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED ON A MOTION BY COMMISSIONER HARKINS AT 7:45 P.M.

  
MAYOR TOM JORDAN

  
TARYN MORTHLAND,  
DEPUTY CITY CLERK