

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF THE
SAVANNA CITY COUNCIL IN THE CITY OF SAVANNA, CARROLL COUNTY, ILLINOIS,
ON TUESDAY, MAY 25, 2021, AT 7:00 P.M., VIA THE WEB APPLICATION ZOOM**

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Chris Lain called the meeting to order on the said date at 7:02 P.M. Notice of the meeting was delivered to all Council members and posted at 333 Chicago Avenue, Savanna, Illinois, in accordance with the State of Illinois Open Meetings Act.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mayor Chris Lain led the Council in the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL / ESTABLISH QUORUM:

Mayor Chris Lain declared the establishment of a quorum with members in attendance Mayor Chris Lain, Pat Sanchez, Jocelyn Boyd, Stephanie East, Tevan Hartman, Jeff Griswold, Nick Law, Jim Friedenbach, and Deb Long. Non-members in attendance Police Chief Jeff Doran, Public Works Superintendent John Lindeman, Fire Chief Scott Wolfe, Comptroller/Treasurer Brittany Hatteberg, City Attorney Phil Jensen, News Media: Mike Nester, Michael Miller, Colton Ostrum, Jeanne Byers Spraez, Steve Haring, Rhonda Weiss and City Clerk Betsy Kinder.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Mayor Chris Lain asked that we add a letter of resignation from Stephanie East under Communications. Jeff Griswold asked to add a brief discussion about road conditions on Third Street under New Business. After review, **Pat Sanchez motioned to approve the Agenda with the additions, seconded by Jim Friedenbach.** All voting in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Consideration of the Minutes of the May 11, 2021 Regular Meeting: After a brief review, **Pat Sanchez motioned to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes from May 11, 2021, seconded by Jocelyn Boyd.** All voting in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

WARRANT #1A: Additional Invoices Totaling \$3,736.04: Mayor Chris Lain stated in order to order the new desks, the city needs to pay half. **Pat Sanchez made a motion to approve the amount of \$3,736.04, seconded by Nick Law.** Roll Call Vote Aye: Stephanie East, Jocelyn Boyd, Jeff Griswold, Pat Sanchez, Nick Law, Debbie Long, Tevan Hartman, and Jim Friedenbach. Nay: None. Motion passed.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Annual Statement-Savanna Police Pension Fund:

Annual Statement-Savanna Fire Pension Fund: Comptroller/Treasurer Brittany Hatteberg stated following an audit from the Illinois Department of Insurance, the pension funds are required to present the annual statements each year to the council for informational purposes.

Mayor Chris Lain also stated the City of Savanna Directory was provided in the packets.

Addition: Letter of Resignation, Stephanie East: Mayor Chris Lain read the letter of resignation from Stephanie East. **Pat Sanchez made a motion to accept the letter, seconded by Nick Law.** All in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

APPOINTMENTS: City of Savanna Committee

Hotel/Motel Committee: Mayor Chris Lain gave a brief discussion on appointing Debbie Long to the Hotel/Motel Committee. **Nick Law made a motion to accept Deb Long on the Hotel/Motel Committee, seconded by Jocelyn Boyd.** All in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Project Update, MSA: Public Works Superintendent John Lindeman gave a brief update on the road over

lay and the Wacker Road projects. He will give updates at our next meeting.

Discussion and Possible Action on Encroachment Easement: Public Works Superintendent John Lindeman and City Attorney Phil Jensen gave a brief update. This was tabled until the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Heartland Pet Welfare, Request for Waiver of Kennel License Fee: Mayor Chris Lain stated every year Heartland Pet Welfare asks the council to waive the \$100.00 Kennel License Fee. **Pat Sanchez made a motion to waive the \$100.00 fee, seconded by Jim Friedenbach.** All in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

Resolution, Temporary Road Closure, Independence Day Parade: Mayor Chris Lain stated the parade was being scheduled from 6:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. on July 3, 2021 for the Independence Day Parade. **Pat Sanchez made a motion to approve Resolution #1214 for the Independence Day Parade, seconded by Tevan Hartman.** Roll Call Vote Aye: Nick Law, Debbie Long, Tevan Hartman, Jim Friedenbach, Stephanie East, Jocelyn Boyd, Jeff Griswold, Pat Sanchez,. Nay: None. Motion passed.

Addition: Third Street, Discussion: Jeff Griswold asked about the road conditions for Third Street, after seeing vehicles try to avoid all the issues. After a brief discussion, **Pat Sanchez made a motion to send the concerns to Water/Sewer/Refuse/Street and Alley Committee, seconded by Nick Law.** All in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

CITIZENS, COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Pat Sanchez asked about the events that were being planned for the July 3, 2021 Independence Day Event, a brief description was given by Mayor Chris Lain.

Deb Long asked about the work on the retaining wall along Chicago Avenue. City Attorney Phil Jensen is looking into this and will report at the next meeting, no information/decision was given after his last contact with the state.

Jim Friedenbach asked about the docks at the south end of the park. It was reported that they are in.

Stephanie East reported that 2 citizens of Savanna had suggested that the city may want to consider planning an event called Savanna Hills Run. It was tabled at this time.

Public Works Superintendent John Lindeman gave an update on the road work that will be starting on Tuesday June 1, 2021 on Superior Avenue.

Mayor Chris Lain reminded all of us that the Independence Day Cookout Fundraiser would be Friday May 28th at Sullivan's.

Nick Law asked about the house at 1722 Michigan Avenue and what was happening there. After a brief discuss it was decided to take down the houses that we have funds for.

ADJOURNMENT:

With nothing further, **Mayor Chris Lain made a motion to adjourn at 7:37 P.M.**

Minutes composed by Betsy Kinder, City Clerk.