

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF THE SAVANNA CITY COUNCIL IN THE CITY OF SAVANNA, CARROLL COUNTY, ILLINOIS, ON TUESDAY, MAY 10, 2022, AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT 333 CHICAGO AVEUNE, SAVANNA, ILLINOIS 61074

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Pro-Tem Pat Sanchez called the meeting to order on the said date at 7:00 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 Pro-Tem Pat Sanchez led the Council in the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL /ESTABLISH QUORUM:

Mayor Pro-Tem Pat Sanchez declared the establishment of a quorum with members in attendance Mayor Pro-Tem Pat Sanchez, Jocelyn Boyd, Nick Law, Jim Friedenbach, Jeff Griswold, Tevan Hartman, Peter King, and Deb Long. Non-members in attendance City Attorney Phil Jensen, Fire Chief Scott Wolfe, Superintendent of Public Works Brent Corey, Police Chief Jeff Doran, Comptroller/Treasurer Brittany Hatteberg, News Media: Michael Miller, Mike Nester, Linda Grissinger, Marne LaShelle, Darien Sanchez, Tawnie Sanchez, Ariel Sanchez, Jared Fluhr with MSA, Peggy Voeller with the Savanna Chamber of Commerce, and City Clerk Betsy Kinder.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

After review, **Jocelyn Boyd** motioned to approve the agenda, seconded by **Deb Long**. All voting in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Consideration of the Minutes of the April 26, 2022, Regular Meeting and Executive Session: After a brief review, **Jocelyn Boyd** motioned to approve the **Regular Meeting Minutes with the correction of changing review to reviewed under the Presentation, Landfill Solar Development and the Executive Session minutes, seconded by Nick Law**. All voting in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Hotel/Motel Committee, 05-04-22: Jocelyn Boyd gave an update on James Bratta and he has agreed to pay the back taxes in installments. She discussed tourism numbers and all are up at this time. Jocelyn Boyd discussed the Grant Money requested by the Historical Society for \$600.00 for window coverings. After a brief review, **Peter King** motioned to approve the grant to the Historical Society in the amount of **\$600.00, seconded by Nick Law**. All voting in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

Festival Monies Request – Savanna Pride Picnic: The Riverview Center is planning a Savanna Pride Picnic and has requested a \$1,000.00 donation to be used towards advertising, promoting, and supplies. After a brief review, **Jocelyn Boyd** motioned to approve the **\$1,000.00 donation to the Pride Picnic from Hotel/Motel Tourism Tax Fund, seconded by Deb Long**. Roll Call Vote Aye: Jocelyn Boyd, Peter King, and Deb Long. Nay: Jim Friedenbach, Jeff Griswold, Nick Law, and Tevan Hartman. Motion did not pass. With further discussion, **Nick Law** motioned to table it until the next council meeting so that we could get more information on it and see if a representative could attend to explain the picnic in more detail, seconded by **Tevan Hartman**. Roll Call Vote Aye: Jim Friedenbach, Jeff Griswold, Nick Law, Deb Long, Tevan Hartman, Jocelyn Boyd, and Peter King. Nay: None. Motion passed. Mayor Pro-Tem Pat Sanchez will reach out to Riverview Center to invite them to our next meeting. With nothing further, **Peter King** motioned to approve the committee report as given, seconded by **Nick Law**. All voting in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

Finance Committee, 05-10-22: Pat Sanchez gave an update regarding the meeting held earlier in the day. One account is outstanding on the Accounts Receivable, the 12-24-36-48-60 Month Report was reviewed and accepted.

Request for Funds, Tanker Truck Equipment, Fire Department: Fire Chief Scott Wolfe had to leave the meeting due to a fire call, Pat Sanchez explained this was a budgeted item and equipment is needed for the new Tank Truck that was ordered. After a brief review, **Pat Sanchez** motioned to approve the purchase of **Tanker Truck Equipment not to exceed \$12,000.00 from Civic Fund 52, seconded by Jim Friedenbach**. Roll Call Vote Aye: Jim Friedenbach, Jeff Griswold, Nick Law, Deb Long, Tevan Hartman, Jocelyn Boyd, and Peter King. Nay: None. Motion passed.

Request for Funds, Portable Radios, Fire Department: Pat Sanchez stated this was a budgeted item to replace old radios that are no longer in working condition, **Pat Sanchez** motioned to approve the purchase of **Portable Radios not to exceed \$7,700.00 from Civic Fund 52, seconded by Nick Law**. Roll Call Vote Aye: Jim Friedenbach, Jeff Griswold, Nick Law, Deb Long, Tevan Hartman, Jocelyn Boyd, and Peter King. Nay: None. Motion passed.

Request for Funds, Thermal Imaging Camera System, Fire Department: Pat Sanchez stated this was a budgeted item for more thermal imaging cameras, **Pat Sanchez** motioned to approve the purchase of **6 Thermal Imaging Camera Systems not to exceed \$3,900.00 from Fire Protection Fund 23, seconded by Peter King**. Roll Call Vote Aye: Jim Friedenbach, Jeff Griswold, Nick Law, Deb Long, Tevan Hartman, Jocelyn Boyd, and Peter King. Nay: None. Motion passed. With nothing further, **Peter King** motioned to approve the committee report as given, seconded by **Nick Law**. All voting in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

WARRANT #1:

Bills for the Month of April 2022 Totaling \$219,262.60: After a brief review, **Jocelyn Boyd motioned to approve Warrant #1, totaling \$219,262.60, seconded by Tevan Hartman.** Roll Call Vote Aye: Jim Friedenbach, Jeff Griswold, Nick Law, Deb Long, Tevan Hartman, Jocelyn Boyd, and Peter King. Nay: None. Motion passed.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Illinois Department of Public Health: A letter was received by the IDPH commending the Water System Personnel for maintaining perfect compliance in 2021 for 12 consecutive months.

APPOINTMENTS:

Discussion and Possible Action on Appointment of an Acting Mayor: After a brief discussion, Jeff Griswold asked to be considered for Mayor. **Jim Friedenbach motioned to appoint Jeff Griswold for Mayor, seconded by Nick Law.** Roll Call Vote Aye: Jim Friedenbach, Nick Law, Tevan Hartman, and Jeff Griswold. Nay: Deb Long, Pat Sanchez, Jocelyn Boyd, and Peter King. Motion did not pass. After a brief discussion, Pat Sanchez asked to be considered for Mayor. **Deb Long motioned to appoint Pat Sanchez for Mayor, seconded by Jocelyn Boyd.** Roll Call Vote Aye: Deb Long, Pat Sanchez, Jocelyn Boyd, and Peter King. Nay: Jim Friedenbach, Nick Law, Tevan Hartman, and Jeff Griswold. Motion did not pass. Pat Sanchez will remain active Mayor until a Mayor is appointed. They will discuss this at the next Full Council meeting. City Attorney Phil Jensen suggested that they elect Mayor Pro-Tem at this time. City Attorney Phil Jensen also discussed the option of a council member recommending someone currently not serving on the council to be recommended to serve as Mayor.

Election of Mayor Pro-Tem: After a brief discussion, **Pat Sanchez motioned to appoint Jocelyn Boyd to Mayor Pro-Tem, seconded by Peter King.** Roll Call Vote Aye: Jim Friedenbach, Nick Law, Deb Long, Tevan Hartman, Pat Sanchez, Jocelyn Boyd, and Peter King. Nay: Jeff Griswold. Motion passed.

City Attorney, Philip F. Jensen: After a brief review, **Pat Sanchez motioned to continue to retain Philip F. Jensen as the City Attorney, seconded by Tevan Hartman.** Roll Call Vote Aye: Jim Friedenbach, Jeff Griswold, Nick Law, Deb Long, Tevan Hartman, Jocelyn Boyd, and Peter King. Nay: None. Motion passed.

MONTHLY REPORTS:

Financial, Police, Fire, and Public Works for April 2022: After brief review, **Jocelyn Boyd motioned to approve the Financial, Police, Fire, and Public Works monthly reports as presented, seconded by Nick Law.** All voting in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Project Update, MSA: Jared Fluhr with MSA gave a handout and discussed grant options. It was decided to hold a Zoom Finance meeting on May 17, 2022, at 7:00 P.M. to discuss these options in more detail.

Sanitary Sewer Improvements & DCEO Grant – Project Scope & MSA Contract: Tabled until next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution, 2022 Illinois Municipal League Conference: After a brief review, **Peter King motioned to approve Resolution #1233, 2022 Illinois Municipal League Conference, seconded by Nick Law.** All voting in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

Resolution, Induce the Redevelopment of Certain Property within a Tax Increment Financing Redevelopment Project Area, 611 N. Main Street: After a brief review, **Jim Friedenbach motioned to approve Resolution #1234, Induce the Redevelopment of Certain Property within a Tax Increment Financing Redevelopment Project Area, 611 N. Main Street, seconded by Nick Law.** All voting in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

Savanna Water Mains, CDBG Grants, Discussion: Jared Fluhr with MSA discussed this and will give more in-depth information on the May 17, Finance Meeting, he said it would cost the city about \$160,000 this budget year to apply for the grant. After a review, **Jim Friedenbach motioned to pursue the grant and send to Finance Committee for review, seconded by Nick Law.** All voting in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

CITIZENS, COMMITTEE MEMBER:

Tevan Hartman asked if Committee Meetings could be held in the evenings so that members that work days could attend.

Jocelyn Boyd thanked Pat Sanchez for all he does.

Jim Friedenbach thanked Public Works for all their work and for getting the docks in so quickly.

Betsy Kinder stated they received a donated shipment from Theisen's and is for sale at Classy Closet.

ADJOURNMENT:

With nothing further, **Mayor Pro-Tem Pat Sanchez made a motion to adjourn at 8:36 P.M.**

Minutes composed by Betsy Kinder, City Clerk.