

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE OGLESBY CITY COUNCIL WAS HELD ON MONDAY, JANUARY 6, 2020 AT CITY HALL. THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M.

PRESENT: COMMISSIONERS ARGUBRIGHT, CULLINAN CURRAN, LIJEWSKI, MAYOR RIVARA, ATTORNEY JIM ANDREONI AND CITY CLERK EITUTIS.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ARGURIGHT SECONDED BY CURRAN to approve the regular meeting minutes from December 16, 2019. AYES: ARGUBRIGHT, CULLINAN, CURRAN, LIJEWSKI, RIVARA.

Public comments on agenda items only: Drew Merriman questions payment made to Advantage Logistics and how much longer the TIF is in effect. Drew Merriman expresses his opinions in regards to money going in to the TIF and not directly into the City. Argubright answers questions in regards to the length of time remaining. Mayor Rivara states that the TIFs have generated money and cities GTI as an example. Drew Merriman feels that once TIFs expire businesses leave the area. Cullinan responds that there are costs being recooperated up front in regards to costs. Cedar Creek subdivision is a result of a TIF replies Curran. Drew Merriman continues to express his opinions that TIFs do not generate income as they should.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ARGUBRIGHT, SECONDED BY LIJEWSKI to approve bills as presented AYES: ARGUBRIGHT, CURRAN, LIJEWSKI, CULLINAN, RIVARA.

Advantage Logistics \$380,251.19; AFLAC \$35.90; Airgaas USA, LLC \$5.40; Ameren IL \$886.43; Ameren IP \$1,692.44; Anixter \$22,751.81; Arjes, Kendra \$62.50; Arrow Sales & Service Inc. \$ 58.00; Batteries & Things \$ 229.50; BHMG \$6,009.91; Bob's Business Inc. \$86.70; Call One \$2,365.09; City of Oglesby \$120.42; City of Peru \$1,859.00; Columbia Pipe & Supply Co. \$1,907.81; Comcast Business \$918.93; Complete Integration & Service \$3,140.00; Connecting Point \$18,696.86; Conway Shield \$396.00; Core & Main \$239.00; Daley's Super Service \$415.73; De Lage Landen Financial \$538.19; Dollar General \$187.60; Double M Trucking \$357.50; Econo Signs \$ 1407.77; Eichelkraut, Patty \$ 115.00; Emergency Medical Products \$527.13; Feece Oil Co. \$964.58; First Midwest Trust \$3,399.98; Fletcher-Reinhardt \$2,625.91; Grainger \$ 74.32; Halm's Auto Parts \$447.11; Hawkins \$494.30; Healthcare and Family Services \$30.00; Henry, Briza \$ 50.00, HR Green, Inc. \$1,313.00; Humana Health Care Plan \$ 30,853.50; Hygienic Institute \$355.55; Il Dept. of Innovation & Tech \$ 539.30; Il Fiber resources \$3,300.00; IL public Risk Fund \$ 3,652.00, IV Cellular \$ 3,610.82; IVCC \$ 60,255.25; Il Valley Excavating \$ 5,782.00; IVRD \$ 5,865.00; Impact Networking \$ 24.72; IMUA \$630.00; ITron Inc \$ 823.66; John Deere Financial \$ 266.94; John Senica Jr. \$311.51; Kelly Sauder Rupiper Equip. \$ 299.92; Kendrick pest Control \$ 105.00; Kittlison's Garage \$ 1,122.54; Klein, Thorpe & Jenkins \$503.50; Knoblauch Advertising \$ 170.00; Knoblauch, James 4 10.00; Lafarge Aggregates \$299.07; Lasalle Office Supply \$241.55; LPHS \$ 117,130.56; Mautino Dist. \$ 19.5; McConnaughay & Sons \$ 964.00; McDermott, James \$ 62.50; Medical Reimbursement Services \$1,053.57; Menards \$ 701.85; Mertel Gravel Co. \$ 1,279.25; Midwest Paving \$ 183.98; NCPERS Group Life Ins. \$16.00; News Tribune \$ 167.61; Oglesby Grade School \$ 152.23; Oglesby Library Dist. \$ 10,559.09; On Site Repair Service \$ 6,927.65; Oscar's Automotive \$

33.55; Overhead Door Co. \$ 130.00; Power Line Supply \$ 2,250.00; PTM Document Systems \$ 159.17; Republic Services \$ 54,715.46; Schweitzer Engineering \$1,925.00; Seico \$588.00; Springfield Electric 4 1800.30; St. Margaret's Health \$1,710.00; Standard Life Insurance \$ 786.49; Storage Battery Systems \$ 3,597.20; TEST \$120.00; US Water Services, Inc \$ 170.31; Uline \$ 935.54; USPS \$ 720.63; Universal utility Supply \$ 6,297.40; Valley Fabrication \$ 17,825.88; Vanwingerden, nick \$ 266.29; Verizon \$ 167.72; Western Aggregates \$ 376.11; Wex Fleet Services \$ 2,435.09  
**TOTALS: \$ 809,546.19**

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ARGUBRIGHT, SECONDED BY CURRAN to Approve quarterly building permits. AYES: ARGUBRIGHT, CULLINAN, CURRAN, LIJEWSKI, RIVARA. The amount was \$16,774,791.00 in building totals. The large amounts are due in part to GTI and Speedway.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY CURRAN, SECONDED BY LIJEWSKI to approve authorization of purchasing Britespan cover for Street Department salt storage. AYES: LIJEWSKI, RIVARA. NAYS: ARGUBRIGHT, CULLINAN. Curran gives explanation as to why the building is needed. Curran also explains that he did seek other options and the Britespan was the cheapest. Argubright questions what the City currently pays for the building they use? Curran responds zero. A discussion between Argubright and Curran continues in regards to who owns the building, that there is no contract, and the shape of the building. Curran cites his concerns should the current agreement fall through. Argubright feels there are bigger problems to address. Cullinan questions Curran in regards to the state of the building. Curran again states that the City has no legal rights to the building and what would happen should it collapse. Cullinan asks where the proposed building would go? It would be located NW of the Street Department building. A resident asks the cost to which Curran replies \$31,841.00. Curran also states there were two size options available.

Old Business: none

Public Comment: none

Commissioner's Reports:

Argubright- none

Lijewski – Winter recreation Basketball begins and dates are given. Trees on Lehigh Park are scheduled to be cut down (17). Fire Department had 12 calls and 153 for the year. Ambulance calls for the month were 71; 34 were transfer and 1,023 calls for the year.

Curran – GTI is still being worked on. So far outside contractors will not be needed. Curran addresses the flickering light issue.

Cullinan- reminds about the utv/golf cart inspection on 01/11/2020 and that there may be a few issues. Attorney Andreoni gives explanation in regards to the Ordinance and the need for seatbelts and windshields. Curran states that there is meeting set up 01/09/2020 with the Fire and police Board to begin the hiring process for a new officer. Mayor Rivara asks when he can expect a new officer to be hired? Rivara states it has cost the City \$15,975.62 in overtime and has been 3 months

so far. Cullinan responds that there is a list and that he has spoken to Chief Knoblauch and they may retest officers. Cullinan said in the past it's taken a year. Lijewski states that doesn't make it right. Cullinan said he is trying to move the process forward. Mayor Rivara asks if meal break policies are being enforced? Cullinan said there's no problem and Rivara asks why it's not being done then? Cullinan questions Chief Knoblauch in the audience if it is being done to which Chief replies "some are, some aren't". Knoblauch said the officers are going off of Cullinans e-mail. Cullinan states there are issues in regards to time lines on door checks and the schedule. He also states the amount of time in between shifts and officers having to work with little to no sleep. Mayor Rivara addresses secondary employment. Cullinan said it was because someone called off. Mayor Rivara states his concern with secondary employment is that the officers do not have enough time off and the creates liability for the City. Cullinan states the issues are with the schedule. Chief Knoblauch states the officer's schedule is in their contract. He states the union fought taking it out of their contract and that is why it's in there. Knoblauch also states that secondary employment is in the union contract and that is to be reported to the Chief. Chief Knoblauch doesn't know why there is an issue because it is in the union contract. Chief said Cullinan sent an email telling officers telling them otherwise. Cullinan asks Chief about this? Chief Knoblauch said the officers will not do anything different because they do not listen to him and Cullinan would need to send an e-mail directing otherwise. Mayor Rivara has concerns about the officers and the residents. Cullinan wants to push for 2 officers to be on duty. Drew Merriman comments about the hiring (Mayor bangs his gavel), Merriman continues to comment (Mayor bangs his gavel again).

Mayor Rivara-a working meeting needs to be scheduled. A discussion amongst the council happens and the date of January 13, 2020 is set at 7:00 p.m. Attorney Andreoni explains why he cannot be present due to attending Spring Valley's council meetings. A meeting for Seneca Square also needs to be scheduled Mayor states. The bid of \$1.5 million is cited. The Mayor states the City does not have that kind of money and wants to see what can be salvaged and modified. Mayor states the City is looking for an economic developer and grant writer. The status of the Schmidt building and other building within the downtown area is brought up. Mayor had a meeting with Senator Rezin which resulted in good news and was productive. The city has been meeting with IVCC as well. An audience member asks when the Seneca square meeting will be? Attorney Andreoni reminds that there is meeting on 01/08/2020 in regards to the cannabis ordinance and zoning and that the Planning Commission meeting will follow directly.

A MOTION TO ADJOURN WAS MADE by ARGUBRIGHT, SECONDED BY CURRAN.  
AYES: ARGUBRIGHT, CULLINAN, CURRAN, RIVARA.

Amy Eitutis, City Clerk.