

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE OGLESBY CITY COUNCIL WAS HELD ON MONDAY , NOVEMBER 15, 2021 AT CITY HALL. THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M.

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

A MOTION WAS MADE BY LIJEWSKI, SECONDED BY CURRAN to approve the regular meeting minutes from October 18, 2021. AYES: ARGUBRIGHT, , CURRAN, LIJEWSKI, RIVARA. ABSENT: CULLINAN. Commissioner Lijewski would like an amendment made to the November 1, 2021 meeting in regards to her not being present and to the issue regarding a resident issue.

Public comments on agenda items only: none

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

**ADVANCED ENERGY \$10.50; AIR ONE EQUIPMENT \$ 15,980.00; BHMNG ENGINEERING \$1,066.55; COMCAST \$345.20; COMMUNICATIONS DIRECT \$ 51.14; CONNECTING POINT \$ 458.00; CORE & MAIN \$ 1,272.96; DAVIS, ERIC \$ 222.93; DELAGE LANDEN FINANCIAL SERVICES \$ 204.87; DEBO ACE HARDWARE \$ 247.01; DOLL, EDWARD \$ 61.33; DOLLAR GENERAL \$ 44.75; DOUBLE M TRUCKING \$ 440.00; EDENS, CATHIE \$ 12.50; EICHELKRAUT, PATTY \$ 75.17; EMERGENCY MEDICAL PRODUCTS \$ 413.54; FEECE OIL CO. \$ 2,418.21; FICEK ELECTRIC \$ 228.00; FOSTER COACH SALES INC \$ 111.28; GONZALEZ, VICTOR \$ 30.00; GROSENBACH'S AUTO REPAIR \$ 40.00; HALM'S AUTO PARTS \$ 109.99; HAWKINS, INC. \$ 448.55; HERITAGE CORRIDOR \$ 450.00; HOLLOWAY'S PORTABLE RESTROOMS \$ 850.00; HOPKINS & ASSOCIATES \$ 250.00; IL ASSOCIATIONS OF CHIEFS \$ 130.00; IL MUN ELEC AGENCY \$ 342,287.96; IL MUNICIPAL LEAGUE \$ 450.00; IV CELLULAR \$ 1,270.06; IVRD \$ 6,159.00; ILLINI STATE MASTERCARD \$ 2634.54; JOHN SENICA JR. \$ 836.99; KENDRICK PEST CONTROL \$ 180.00; KING TIRE \$ 447.00; KITTILSON'S GARAGE \$ 362.78; LAFARGE AGGREGATES \$ 319.64; LAFARGE NORTH AMERICA \$ 330.75; LANDCOMP LANDFILL \$ 529.68; LAUTERBACH & AMEREN \$ 2,200.00 LEMMER, MARTIN \$ 61.80; MACHINERY MAINTENANCE \$ 4,788.89; MAGNAFICI, JADE \$ 107.21; MAUTINO DISTRIBUTING CO. \$ 20.50; MENARDS \$ 637.97; MERTEL GRAVEL \$ 403.44; MTCO \$ 148.87; NCPEERS GROUP LIFE \$ 16.00; NEWS TRIB \$ 633.02; NORTHERN ILLINOIS AMBULANCE \$ 2,372.69; PF PETTIBONE \$ 372.90; PADDOCK POOL EQUIPMENT \$ 356.00; SHARP, TABITHA \$ 79.26; SMART SOURCE LLC \$ 3,522.75; SMITH'S SALES & SERVICE \$ 52.00; ST. MARGARET'S HEALTH-PERU \$ 355.55; STAPLES CREDIT PLAN \$ 144.01; SUNRISE SUPPLY \$ 78.90; SUPERIOR LIGHTING \$ 5,491.05; T&R ELECTRIC SUPPLY \$ 6,950.00; TEST INC. \$ 19,472.16; TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT \$ 341.41; TELEFLEX, LLC \$ 562.50; UNIVERSAL UTILITY SUPPLY**

**\$ 912.00; VALLE, BRETT \$ 30.00; WATER PRODUCTS COMPANY \$ 2,849.00; WATTS, RICHARD \$ 146.29; WESTERN AGGREGATES, LLC \$ 384.28; WTH TECHNOLOGY, INC. \$ 81.00**  
**TOTALS : \$435,139.14**

A MOTION WAS MADE BY LIJEWSKI, SECONDED BY CURRAN to approve 1176-110121 an ordinance amending and establishing compensation for employees of the Oglesby City Fire Department. AYES: ARGUBRIGHT, , CURRAN, LIJEWSKI, RIVARA. ABSENT: CULLINAN Commissioner Lijewski gives a brief explanation of the details in the Ordinance.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ARGUBRIGHT, SECONDED BY CURRAN to table 1177-110121 an ordinance amending compensation for employees of the Oglesby City Ambulance Service. AYES: ARGUBRIGHT, CURRAN, LIJEWSKI, RIVARA. ABSENT: CULLINAN Mayor Rivara states there are two clauses that are left out of the ordinance and suggests tabling it. The clauses are an audit and an Ambulance Board and how it would operate.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY CURRAN, SECONDED BY ARGUBRIGHT to obtain BHMG for engineering services for Mallick sub terminal design. AYES: ARGUBRIGHT, CURRAN, LIJEWSKI, RIVARA. ABSENT: RIVARA Commissioner Curran explains the services is for how the City of Oglesby would receive the second connection for the Mallick sub-station.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY CURRAN, SECONDED BY LIJEWSKI to authorize Chamlin and Associates to resolve the drainage issue in Heritage Gardens. AYES; ARGUBRIGHT, CURRAN, LIJEWSKI, RIVARA. ABSENT: CULLINAN Mayor Rivara explains it has been an ongoing issue that needs to be resolved. Commissioner Curran comments on a letter that was submitted and acknowledges that it may be a civil matter and also that the City of Oglesby may have some responsibility and does not want to get into a habit of doing this for all residents, to which Commissioner Lijewski agrees. Commissioner Argubright questions what it will cost the City to have Chamlin Engineering look into the matter? Mayor Rivara said there is a history with the drainage in said area where McPhedran Lake is built. Mayor Rivara said the issue needs to be looked into and a solution.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ARGUBRIGHT, SECONDED LIJEWSKI to purchase updated hardware and software from Anixter for handheld upgrades in the approximately \$43,000.00 AYES: ARGUBRIGHT, CURRAN, LIJEWSKI, RIVARA. ABSENT: CULLINAN. Commissioner Argubright explains that the current software and hardware will no longer be supported in 2022 if upgrades are not done.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ARGUBRIGHT, SECONDED BY LIJEWSKI to approve switching health care providers for medical/dental/vision insurance in regards to the meeting held on 11/12/2021 with past and present City employees and Suarez and Associates. AYES: ARGUBRIGHT, CURRAN, LIJEWSKI, RIVARA. Attorney Barry asks the Council what option they are going with. The City would be switching to United Health Care from Humana. Lora Gramer from Suarez and Associates addresses the Council and gives a presentation on what the current plan is and what the new plan will be. Commissioner Curran asks if the employees were

in agreement with the change? To which the Mayor replied that they were. Commissioner Argubright states it is the Council's decision.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ARGUBRIGHT, SECONDED BY CURRAN to approve the sealed bid submitted for the demolition of the Reizner Building located at 238 East Walnut Street, Oglesby, Illinois. The bid was awarded to Kirsch Excavating for \$49,613.00. The funds for the demolition will be paid for from grant funds. A second bid was submitted by John Pohar & Sons in the amount of \$ 71, 150.00. Commissioner Curran asks if the matter has to be placed on file or can be passed to which Attorney Barry states it can be passed.

A discussion is held amongst the Council in regards to the request from the Oglesby Library for \$10,000.00 for repairs to the building. Mayor Rivara states there is an issue with water, drainage and gutters and that the library is looking for help and funds would be paid from TIF I. Commissioner Curran asks if a Resolution has to be drawn up? Commissioners Argubright and Lijewski question the bids that are in the agenda packet as to what exactly is being done. Commissioner Argubright suggests the library submit more than one bid. Attorney Barry suggests seeing multiple bids before a monetary amount is suggested. Commissioner Curran asks if it's a new item because it is not on his agenda, to which the City Clerk replied he had obtained his packet much earlier in the day.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ARGUBRIGHT, SECONDED BY LIJEWSKI to table the request made by the Oglesby Public Library for \$10,000.00 for building repairs.

Mayor Rivara states a date for a working meeting needs to be established. The Council decides on November 28, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

Old Business: none

Public Comments: none

**Commissioner Reports:**

Argubright: none

Lijewski: reminds the Council they are to have suggestions for changes to the ordinance book for the working meeting. Sergeant Brett Valle was named the Officer of the Month for October 2021.

Curran: leaf vac is being extended through the week of November 29, 2021. Chipping services will begin the week of November 22, 2021. Commissioner Curran thanks residents for putting leaves/branches by the berm.

Cullinan: absent

Mayor's report: The City will sponsor a residential and commercial lighting contest and asks those interested to contact City Hall by December 1, 2021 to register. Winners will receive a \$200 rebate off of their utility bills and winners of the contest will be announced on December 27, 2021. The City's Christmas event is scheduled for Saturday, December 18, 2021 from 5:00-8:00 p.m. This year's theme is from the movie Elf, featuring Will Farrell. The event is being

promoted as a drive-thru event and feels it is the safest options for the children and residents. Nest thermostats are available for Ameren gas customers residing in Illinois. A coupon for \$100.00 is available on the Ameren Illinois web site. The City is going to continue to reach out to the State of Illinois and the DNR in regards to the land that was purchased from Buzzi Unicem.

A MOTION TO ADJOURN WAS MADE BY ARGUBRIGHT, SECONDED BY CURRAN to adjourn regular session. AYES: ARGUBRIGHT, CURRAN, RIVARA ABSENT: CULLINAN

Amy Eitutis, City Clerk