

**OGLESBY CITY COUNCIL
MONDAY, JULY 5, 2023**

A regular meeting of the Oglesby City Council was held on Wednesday, July 5, 2023. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Jason Curran.

PRESENT: Mayor Jason Curran, Commissioners Richard Baldrige, Terry Eutis, Gregory McDermott, Tony Stefanelli, City Clerk Becky Clinard and Attorney Pat Barry.

There was no public comment on agenda items.

Mayor Curran observed a moment of silence for former commissioner James Vaughn.

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A MOTION WAS MADE BY Baldrige, **SECONDED** by Stefanelli to approve the minutes from the June 19, 2023 meeting. **AYES:** Baldrige, Eutis, McDermott, Stefanelli, Curran. **NAYS:** None **MOTION CARRIED.**

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Stefanelli, **SECONDED** by Eutis to approve bills in the amount of \$854,429.39 as presented for payment. **AYES:** Baldrige, Eutis, McDermott, Stefanelli, Curran. **NAYS:** None **MOTION CARRIED.**

Bills presented for payment: Alan Environmental Products In, 2,402.23; Ameren, \$1,344.57; American Express, \$356.97; Anderson Pool Supply, Inc., \$224.00 ; Anderson, Avery, \$125.00; Anixter Inc, \$549.00; Bach, Patty, \$171.60; Benefit Planning Consultants, Inc, \$414.00; Brownlee Data Systems, \$750.00; Cain, Gwen, \$100.57; Card Service Center-Police, \$1,430.64; Civic Systems, LLC, \$250.00; Columbia Pipe & Supply Co, \$1,776.00; Connecting Point, \$1598.50; Conrad, Manuela, \$219.53; Conway Shield, \$577.50; Core & Main, \$4,847.34; De Lage Landen Financial Services, \$699.79; Double M Trucking, \$528.00; Dresbach Distributing, \$134.85; Ficek Electric, Fletcher-Reinhardt Service Co, \$6,795.74; Gordon Electric Supply, \$1,265.91, Graphic Electronics Inc., \$40.00; H & S Contracting, \$3,275.00; Halm, Kylee, \$200.00; Hawkins, Inc, \$2,654.53; Holloway's Portable Restrooms, \$2,955.00; Hopkins & Associates, \$10,000.00; Il Department Of Innovation And Tech, \$30.70; Il Mun Elec Agency Revenue Fun, \$352,659.61; Il Public Risk Fund, \$5,748.00; Il Valley Excavating, In, \$1,995.84; Illini State Bk-200007350, \$51,650.68; Illinois State Police, \$28.25; Impact Networking LLC, \$30.37; J.F. Electric, \$286,386.00; John Senica Jr., \$209.74; John's Service & Sales, \$501.00; King Tire, \$939.00; Knoblauch Advertising, \$421.50; Lafarge North America, \$405.44; Lance, Joe, \$400.00; Maze Lumber, \$190.98; Menards, \$1,326.36; Mertel Gravel Co, \$496.13; Mississippi Valley Pump, Inc, \$915.00; NCPERS Group Life Ins, \$16.00; News-Trib, \$101.31; ; Patriot Fire & Safety, \$719.00; Rental Pros, \$2,085.00; Republic Services -- Allied Waste, \$31,635.60; Rush Power Systems, \$2,714.90; Sherwin Williams Co, \$540.00; Springfield Electric Supply, \$213.46, Standard Insurance-Life, \$918.97; Starved Rock Media, Inc., \$1,168.00; Swords, Dirk, \$79.65; T.E.S.T Inc., \$39.10; Teleflex, LLC., \$562.50; The Corner Garden, \$330.58; U.S. Us Bank Supply, \$97.14; Verizon, \$150.15; Village Of Utica, \$198.00; Summer Fun Fest. 64,733.66; **TOTAL -\$854,429.39**

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Stefanelli, **SECONDED** by McDermott to approve Ordinance No. 1227-070523, which revises the existing sound ordinance. The changes will allow amplified music until 11 p.m. in areas zoned commercial year-round. This ordinance was revised after local bar owners reached

out to the city. **AYES:** Eutis, McDermott, Stefanelli, Curran. **NAYS:** None **ABSTAIN:** Baldrige. **MOTION CARRIED.**

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Eutis, **SECONDED BY** McDermott to approve Ordinance No. 1228-070523, which formally rescinds a previous ordinance that named event coordinators for the city and set a stipend for them. The council voted to rescind the ordinance at the June 28, 2023, working meeting. Upon review, Attorney Barry discovered that the original ordinance called for an ordinance to rescind it. **AYES:** Baldrige, Eutis, McDermott, Stefanelli, Curran. **NAYS:** None **MOTION CARRIED.**

Commissioner Eutis then recognized James Mandujano for his 25 years of service to the Oglesby Police Department. Mandujano retired from the force with 25 years of service. Eutis presented Mandujano a plaque.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Stefanelli, **SECONDED BY** Baldrige to accept and approve the changes to the Building Improvement Grant (aka Façade Grant) as recommended by the Building Improvement Committee. The changes create a second classification of grant for vacant properties and adjusted the amounts of the grant to reflect today's building costs. Curran also commended the committee for creating language that protected the city's investment by linking payment to a portion of the grant to a business locating in the vacant building. **AYES:** Baldrige, Eutis, McDermott, Stefanelli, Curran. **NAYS:** None **MOTION CARRIED.**

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Baldrige, **SECONDED BY** Stefanelli to approve the utilization of property on the east end of Walnut Street (by the city parking lot) for a dog run. Baldrige, when discussing the project, said that it had "dragged on long enough," and that he was moving forward with plans to put up the fencing, signage, etc. **AYES:** Baldrige, Eutis, McDermott, Stefanelli, Curran. **NAYS:** None **MOTION CARRIED.**

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Baldrige, **SECONDED BY** Stefanelli to approve the expenditure of \$8,000 in funds for fencing for the dog run. **AYES:** Baldrige, Eutis, McDermott, Stefanelli, Curran. **NAYS:** None **MOTION CARRIED.**

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

Stefanelli, Finance Commissioner

- ❖ Garbage pickup is a day later this week because of the July 4 holiday
- ❖ Explained that several larger bills this cycle resulted in a higher than normal list of bills to be approved.
- ❖ Offered an update on improvements in the clerk's office and in the building permit process. In the long run, these improvements will save money and time for both the city and residents, he told the council.
- ❖ Told about his plans to install a large screen smart tv and equipment which will allow for presentations to be made during council meetings. His plans include a way to show the presentation on the Facebook Live video as well.

Eutis, Public Health & Safety Commissioner

- ❖ Asked the council to consider moving the July 17, 2023, meeting. He is unable to attend due to a family matter.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY EUTIS, SECONDED BY Stefanelli to move the July 17, 2023, meeting to Wednesday, July 26, 2023. Curran told the council that he “wasn’t a fan of constantly moving meeting” dates, but others were willing to do so. **AYES:** Baldrige, McDermott, Stefanelli, Curran. **ABSTAIN:** Eutis **NAYS:** None **MOTION CARRIED.**

McDermott, Streets, Water & Sewer Commissioner

- ❖ Asked Oglesby residents to trim back trees that encroach upon streets and sidewalks to keep Oglesby safe.

Baldrige, Public Property Commissioner

- ❖ Reported that the Clark Street electrical upgrade was finished.
- ❖ Announced that the Le High Shelter’s concrete pad was going to be lifted and leveled this week.

MAYOR’S REPORT

- ❖ Thanked residents for standing by for the voice announcement, but noted that an equipment issue prevented the announcement.
- ❖ Read a letter from Mr. Pillion at Oglesby Grade School which thanked the city for helping spread mulch on their playground area. He specifically noted the work of Rich Watts and JP rose.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Stefanelli, **SECONDED by** Baldrige to go into executive session (at 7:19 pm) to discuss “the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of a specific employee or legal counsel for the public body” and “collective negotiating matters or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees.” **AYES:** Baldrige, Eutis, McDermott, Stefanelli, Curran. **NAYS:** None **MOTION CARRIED.**

(The council retreats to the downstairs meeting room for executive session. Facebook live video continues.)

A MOTION WAS MADE by Eutis, **SECONDED by** Stefanelli to resume the normal meeting at 8:16 p.m. **AYES:** Baldrige, Eutis, McDermott, Stefanelli, Curran. **NAYS:** None **MOTION CARRIED.**

A MOTION WAS MADE By Baldrige, **SECONDED by** Stefanelli to adjourn at 8:17 p.m. **AYES:** Baldrige, Eutis, McDermott, Stefanelli, Curran. **NAYS:** None **MEETING ADJOURNED.**