

**OGLESBY CITY COUNCIL**  
**SEPTEMBER 2, 2025**

The Oglesby City Council was called to order by Mayor Jason Curran on September 2, 2025 at 6:00p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** Commissioners Rich Baldrige, Austin Cullinan, Greg McDermott, Hilary Moyle, Mayor Jason Curran were present. City Attorney Pat Barry and City Clerk Becky Clinard were present as well.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**A MOTION WAS MADE BY** Cullinan to approve minutes from the August 18, 2025 regular session with no second. MOTION DIES

**A MOTION WAS MADE BY** Cullinan, **SECONDED BY** Moyle to approve the bills presented for payment in the amount of \$182,522.35. **AYES:** Baldrige, Cullinan, McDermott, Moyle, Curran. MOTION CARRIED

**BILLS PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT:**

ADAM LIND, \$325.00; AIRGAS USA LLC, \$455.23; AMEREN ILLINOIS-7419559858, \$38.62; AMEREN ILLINOIS-8218382099, \$15.35 APLINGTON, KAUFMAN, MCCLINTOCK, STEELE & BARRY, LTD, \$13,603.55; BLUE CARDINAL CHEMICAL, \$2,207.04; BOUND TREE MEDICAL LLC, \$667.76; CITY OF OTTAWA, \$135.00; COMCAST BUSINESS, \$1,200.68; CONNECTING POINT, \$2,907.63; CONWAY SHIELD, \$3,475.21; CORE & MAIN, \$4,645.21; COSGROVE DISTRIBUTORS, \$270.23; DALEY'S SUPER SERVICE, \$2,523.37; DE LAGE LANDEN FINANCIAL SERVICES, \$605.41; DOUBLE M TRUCKING, \$495.00; ECHO ELECTRIC, \$2,786.86; GRAINGER, \$222.44; HAWKINS, INC, \$3,087.00; HY-VEE, INC, \$91.10; IL MUNICIPAL LEAGUE, \$35.00; IL PUBLIC RISK FUND, \$8,817.00; IL VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE, \$7,638.83; IL VALLEY EXCAVATING, INC, \$26,605.00; ILLINOIS FIRE INSPECTORS ASSOCIATION, \$450.00; JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL, \$88.41; KENDRICK PEST CONTROL, INC, \$38.00; KING TIRE, \$529.00; KNOBLAUCH ADVERTISING, \$232.80; LASALLE-PERU-HS #120, \$19,655.08; MAUTINO DISTRIBUTING CO, \$15.50, MENARDS, \$820.85; MERTEL REPAIR, \$2,592.50; MP AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR, \$140.00; NICK'S EMERGENCY LIGHTING AND MORE, \$1,354.00; OGLESBY GRADE SCHOOL #125, \$22,278.58; OSF HEALTHCARE SYSTEM, \$594.62; OTTOSEN DINOLFO HASENBALG & CASTALDO, \$3,602.50; OVERHEAD DOOR CO,

\$822.50; PEERLESS NETWORK, INC, \$1,466.34; STANDARD INSURANCE-LIFE, \$874.79; STRATUS NETWORKS, \$1,229.05; STREATOR FARM MART, \$339.99; SURF NET, \$1,099.26; TESCO-THE EASTERN SPECIALTY COMPANY, \$4,081.00; UNITED HEALTH CARE, \$10,237.06; UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE, \$1,039.42; UTILITY EQUIPMENT CO, \$555.00, VERIZON, \$1,593.08; WEX BANK, \$5,358.00; WHISKEY ROMANCE, \$2,500.00; WITMER PUBLIC SAFETY GROUP, \$60.77; WRIGHT EXCAVATING, \$16,000.00; TOTAL, \$182,522.35

**A MOTION WAS MADE BY** Cullinan, **SECONDED BY** McDermott to approve the August 29, 2025 payroll in the amount of \$70,986.12. **AYES:** Baldrige, Cullinan, McDermott, Curran. **ABSTAIN:** Moyle. MOTION CARRIED

**A MOTION WAS MADE BY** Cullinan, **SECONDED BY** Baldrige to appoint Jennifer Spratt as Oglesby City Clerk. **AYES:** Baldrige, Cullinan, McDermott, Moyle, Curran. MOTION CARRIED

**A MOTION WAS MADE BY** Cullinan, **SECONDED BY** McDermott to approve Ordinance No. 1297-090225, Establishing wage and benefits for the Oglesby City Clerk. **AYES:** Baldrige, Cullinan, McDermott, Moyle, Curran. MOTION CARRIED

**A MOTION WAS MADE BY** McDermott, **SECONDED BY** Baldrige to approve Ordinance No. 1296-090225, Installation of a second water meter for residential premises (water not run through the sewer). **AYES:** Baldrige, Cullinan, McDermott, Moyle, Curran. MOTION CARRIED

**A MOTION WAS MADE BY** Cullinan, **SECONDED BY** Moyle to approve Ordinance No. 1298-090225, An ordinance revising section 9.16.040 of the Municipal Code relating to the definition of "Gambling". **AYES:** Cullinan, McDermott, Moyle, Curran. **ABSTAIN:** Baldrige  
MOTION CARRIED

**A MOTION WAS MADE BY** McDermott, **SECONDED BY** Baldrige to name Jennifer Spratt as the authorized agent and redeemer for the city's credit card at heartland Bank. **AYES:** Baldrige, Cullinan, McDermott, Moyle, Curran. MOTION CARRIED

**A MOTION WAS MADE BY** Baldrige, **SECONDED BY** McDermott to appoint Jennifer Spratt as the authorized agent for IMRF. **AYES:** Baldrige, Cullinan, McDermott, Moyle, Curran.  
MOTION CARRIED

In new business, code enforcement was discussed, in regards to property maintenance and building code violations. The council reviewed practices from neighboring towns compared to

the current process in Oglesby. These cities have dedicated code enforcement officers who patrol and identify violations. Council members discussed the merits and feasibility of creating a similar enforcement office for Oglesby. Concerns included budget and workload which led to questions about whether existing staff, such as the building or electrical inspector could be empowered to handle enforcement. The council agreed on the need to review and potentially amend the city's code enforcement ordinance. The city attorney will review the current enforcement sections and provide recommendations and modifications.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

A resident reported a very strong sewer smell near 122 N Woodland Ave. The same resident noted that a "No Parking" sign near their home was removed during school construction and had not been replaced. The council agreed to look into the matters mentioned.

#### **COMMISSIONER REPORTS**

Austin Cullinan, Accounts and Finance

- Welcomed the new city clerk and expressed eagerness to continue working on modernizing the clerk's office.

Hilary Moyle, Public Safety

- Explained the reasoning for abstaining from the approval of payroll was that she had not received a copy of the employee timesheets.

Greg McDermott, Public Works

- Thanked Pohar and Sons for opening the temporary road to the new Waste Water Treatment Plant work site. Reminds residents of upcoming bridge work and WWTP construction work.

Richard Baldrige, Public Property

- Read and thank you note from a resident for the efforts of the Parks Department crew on some recent projects at McPhedran Lake as well as a thank you note from the former city clerk, Becky Clinard. He mentioned an anonymous donation of \$2,500 to the Oglesby Pool and highlighted upcoming community events organized by the We Are Oglesby group.

#### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Welcomed the new city clerk. He also highlighted an upcoming city event combined with the We Are Oglesby event. The mayor cautioned residents about event-specific alcohol regulations in regards to the two events and commented about expanding city events and partnerships with local organizations.

**A MOTION WAS MADE BY** McDermott, **SECONDED BY** Baldrige to adjourn at 6:46 p.m. **AYES:** Baldrige, Cullinan, McDermott, Moyle, Curran. **MEETING ADJOURNED.**