

OGLESBY CITY COUNCIL

NOVEMBER 3, 2025

Commissioner Autin Cullinan called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. November 3, 2025. He read an email sent by Mayor Curran letting the council know he would be unavailable for the meeting.

ROLLCALL: Commissioners Rich Baldrige, Austin Cullinan, Greg McDermott, and Hilary Moyle, were present. City Attorney Pat Barry, and City Clerk Jennifer Spratt were present as well. Mayor Curran was absent.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Moyle, **SECONDED BY** McDermott to appoint Cullinan to chair the November 3, 2025 meeting **AYES:** Baldrige, Cullinan, McDermott, Moyle, **ABSENT:** Curran **MOTION CARRIED.**

There was a moment of silence for Robert “Trapper” Kuhar, a long-time city employee who recently passed away. Cullinan spoke about Trapper’s dedication to the job.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY McDermott, **SECONDED BY** Moyle to appoint Moyle, Baldrige, Mario Caretto, Mark Ambrose, John Lemmer, John Shapiro, Jack Barnes, Bob Stone, and Mike Bender to the insurance committee **AYES:** Baldrige, Cullinan, McDermott, Moyle, **ABSENT:** Curran **MOTION CARRIED.**

MAYORS REPORT

Cullinan read the mayor’s report sent to him by Curran, in which he discussed chair yoga at the Dickinson House continuing as a donation trial. It has been a success. He encouraged others to use the public building for other events, with the example of a card club. The Oglesby American Legion will hold a Veteran’s Day event next Monday, November 10, in Memorial Park at 11 a.m. WAO will host the winter parade on December 13, 2025.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Moyle, **SECONDED BY** McDermott to approve the October 20, 2025 minutes **AYES:** Baldrige, Cullinan, McDermott, Moyle, **ABSENT:** Curran **MOTION CARRIED.**

Cullinan let the council know that bills to be paid were high this time because of a large payment to Vissering Construction and IMEA.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY McDermott, **SECONDED BY** Moyle to approve bills in the amount of \$1,019,330.92 **AYES:** Baldrige, Cullinan, McDermott, Moyle, **ABSENT:** Curran **MOTION CARRIED.**

Bills to be paid:

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Moyle, **SECONDED BY** McDermott to approve payroll for October 24, 2025 in the amount of \$64,446.69 **AYES:** Baldrige, Cullinan, McDermott, Moyle, **ABSENT:** Curran **MOTION CARRIED.**

McDermott let the council know the Safe Routes to School engineering agreement for \$30,000 needed to be placed on file to approve at the next meeting.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY McDermott, **SECONDED BY** Baldrige to place the SRS engineering agreement for \$30,000 on file **AYES:** Baldrige, Cullinan, McDermott, Moyle, **ABSENT:** Curran **MOTION CARRIED.**

Moyle discussed the Less Lethal Alternatives grant for \$21,600. The tasers and packages have to be purchased and then the price will be refunded by the grant.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Moyle, **SECONDED BY** McDermott to approve the purchase of LLAs for \$21,600 to be refunded **AYES:** Baldrige, Cullinan, McDermott, Moyle, **ABSENT:** Curran **MOTION CARRIED.**

Moyle also let the council know the fire department was awarded the FEMA Grant for air packs and bottles. This grant will cover \$168,000 of purchases, with the city's portion coming to \$22,560. This will allow the fire department to have all new packs and bottles, and to start a replacement program.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Moyle, **SECONDED BY** McDermott to approve the FEMA Grant of \$168,000 for air packs and bottles with a cost to the city of \$22,560 **AYES:** Baldrige, Cullinan, McDermott, Moyle, **ABSENT:** Curran **MOTION CARRIED.**

COMMISSIONER REPORTS:

Austin Cullinan, Accounts and Finance

- ❖ Erin Quick in the clerk's office is working with Civic Systems to learn and implement the new online system for customers
- ❖ City received the first waste water treatment check from the IEPA for a total of \$2,199,120.94
- ❖ Will get YouTube chapters update for last few meetings.

Hilary Moyle, Public Safety

- ❖ Let the council know the Fire Department was awarded a grant from Casey's for new pagers with no match needed from the city
- ❖ Gave October stats for fire, ambulance, police departments

Greg McDermott, Public Works

- ❖ Dry Bridge will start soon

Richard Baldrige, Public Property

- ❖ Gave condolences to “Trapper’s” family and friends.
- ❖ Electric Department is continuing to make rebuild lines throughout the city
- ❖ Parks are winterized and outside water is turned off
- ❖ Winter activities are available for sign up online or at city hall
- ❖ McPhedron Park sign is refinished and back up
- ❖ Ball diamonds and batting cages are down for the winter and will reopen in the spring

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Baldrige, **SECONDED BY** Moyle to adjourn at 6:17 p.m. **AYES:** Baldrige, Cullinan, McDermott, Moyle **ABSENT:** Curran **MOTION CARRIED**