

OGLESBY CITY COUNCIL

January 20, 2026

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Curran at 6:00 p.m.

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

A moment of silence was observed after the pledge for former city attorney Jerry Hunter.

A point of order was called by Moyle, against the Mayor's Final comment agenda item. Discussion was had. Curran denied the point of order.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Moyle, **SECONDED** by Baldridge to appeal the point of order decision. **AYES:** Cullinan, Baldridge, Moyle, McDermott **NAYS:** Curran. **MOTION CARRIED**

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Baldridge, **SECONDED** by Moyle to strike the Mayor's Final Comment from the agenda. **AYES:** Cullinan, Baldridge, Moyle, McDermott, Curran. **MOTION CARRIED**

MAYOR'S REPORT: Baseball signups have started, softball signups will start next week. IMEA scholarship is open, please reach out if you feel like you need a warming center, discussed needing to work on actions benefitting the city.

Discussion was had on meeting minutes, with Moyle said emotion was brought in to minutes and they should be more general. It was suggested Clerk Spratt use Chat GPT for minutes

A MOTION WAS MADE BY McDermott and **SECONDED BY** Baldridge to table the December 15 and January 5, 2026 regular meeting minutes **AYES:** McDermott, Baldridge, Moyle, Curran **ABSTAIN:** Cullinan **MOTION CARRIED.**

Similar discussion and agreement was had to generalize Executive Session minutes as well.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Moyle and **SECONDED BY** McDermott to table the executive minutes from October 6, October 20, November 17, December 1, December 15, 2025 and January 5, 2026 **AYES:** McDermott, Baldridge, Moyle, Curran, Cullinan **MOTION CARRIED.**

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Cullinan and **SECONDED BY** Moyle to approve bills presented for Payment in the amount of \$189,121.16 for usual monthly bills, Vissering Construction in the amount of \$637,852.50 for a total of \$826,973.66 **AYES:** McDermott, Baldridge, Moyle, Curran, Cullinan **MOTION CARRIED**

BILLS PAID: MERTEL GRAVEL, \$680; CHAMLIN & ASSOCIATED, \$38,197.50; NEWS-TRIB, \$235.70; DALEY'S SUPER SERVICE, \$3110.57, FIRST IMPRESSION, \$1396.50, SMITH'S SALES AND SERVICE,

\$230.00; HALM'S AUTO PARTS, \$2380.54; AMEREN IP, \$8314.55; UNIVERSAL UTILITY SUPPLIES, 7546.56, JACOB & KLEIN, LTD, \$447.90; OTTAWA OFFICE SUPPLY, \$66.63; APPLE PRESS, \$158.50; DEBO ACE HARDWARE, \$281.31; OGLESBY GRADE SCHOOL, \$3,841.70; LASALLE-PERU HS, \$3,389.30; T & R ELECTRIC SUPPLY, \$23,272.56; AIRGAS USA, \$184.05; SHEARER TREE SERVICE, \$4,800.00; BROWNSTONE ELECTRIC, \$3,126.60; SEICO INC, \$588.00; GRAINGER, \$695.02; BONNELL INDUSTRIES, \$651.81; MOTION INDUSTRIES INC, \$176.84, MAUTINO DISTRIBUTING, \$24.25; TE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GROUP, \$1,911.60; TEST INC, \$25,891.21; DEVINE FLORAL DESIGN, \$50.00; ILLINOIS VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE, \$1,317.24; PETE RAGAZINCKY, \$416.00; HAWKINS, INC, \$1,793.90; ANIXTER INC, \$12,177.60; ILLINOIS VALLEY REGIONAL DISPATCH, \$8922.99; VERIZON, \$281.91; CORE & MAIN, \$842.94; NORTHERN ILLINOIS AMBULANCE, \$2,902.82; WINTROY SUPPLY LLC, \$1699.16; OSF MEDICAL GROUP \$1,120.00; MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS, \$522.00; CHARD SNYDER, \$189.30; QUICKET SOLUTIONS, \$4200.00; VICTORIA GEORGE, \$50.00; ECHO ELECTRIC, \$189.61; AMRIZE MID-AMERICAN, \$484.30; VISSERING CONSTRUCTION, \$637,852.50; KAREN SHARISKY, \$213.66; HERITAGE TRACTOR, \$358.32; KORY WEIR, \$195.04; MINE REPAIR, \$513.58; HAILEY SCHOOK, \$50.00; LASALLE BODY AND FENCE, \$4,302.72; THE FIRST SIGNS OF FIRE, \$140.95; CALUMET HARBOR LUMBER, \$14,010.00

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Cullinan and **SECONDED BY** Moyle to approve payroll for January 2, 2026 in the amount of \$67,486.90 and January 16, 2026 for \$66,996.60. **AYES:** McDermott, Baldridge, Moyle, Curran, Cullinan **MOTION CARRIED**

Discussion was had on Baldridge's agenda item to place executive minutes online for ease of access for all commissioners. Attorney Barry objected to placing executive minutes online. Ideas were to review in closed session, on a dedicated computer in city hall with no online access, or to keep the procedure the same as is. It was decided to try generalizing the minutes and reviewing in closed session.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY McDermott, **SECONDED** by Baldridge to approve the Oglesby Elks Raffle license **AYES:** Cullinan, Baldridge, Moyle, McDermott, Curran. **MOTION CARRIED**

COMMISSIONERS REPORT

Cullinan: Plan Committee will meet January 28. Sat down with Moyle, inspector Burton Lavens, and police Chief Margis to continue formalizing new inspection forms and work on community calendar. Office is changing to Microsoft 360, and will be working on evaluation format.

Moyle: First responder of the Month is Tim Ploch

McDermott: thanked Vissering Construction for continuing good job on WWTP, asked everyone to check on neighbors, friends and family in coming bad weather.

Baldrige: Work on signs by the Park District is getting completed. Applications for summer part time work will open soon. Electric department is working on mapping. Christmas lights have been taken down and stored. They are reviewing any areas of concern around the city for preemptive repair. Knights of Columbus Fish Fry and American Legion Steak fry are coming up. WAO has a meeting with new library director. Please reach out if you have any not-for-profit events we can share.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Cullinan, **SECONDED BY** Moyle to enter in to executive session at 6:41 p.m. for *“collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning the salary schedules for one or more classes of employees” 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2), “to discuss the purchase or lease of real estate”, 5 ILCS 120(c)5, “the employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees” 5 ILCS 120/2(c)1, and 1 and Discussion of minutes of meetings lawfully closed under the OMA, whether for purposes of approval by the body of the minutes or semi-annual review of the minutes as mandated in in Section 2.06.5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21)* **AYES:** Cullinan, McDermott, Curran, Baldrige, Moyle **MOTION CARRIED**

The council returned from executive session at 8:13 p.m.

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

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Moyle **SECONDED BY** Cullinan to release executive minutes from April 18, 2022, December 19, 2022, September 5, 2023, November 6, 2023, October 21, 2024, December 2, 2024, August 7, 2025, and August 11, 2025. **AYES:** McDermott, Baldrige, Moyle, Cullinan, Curran

A MOTION WAS MADE BY McDermott, **SECONDED BY** Baldrige to adjourn at 8:15 p.m. **AYES:** McDermott, Baldrige, Moyle, Cullinan, Curran **MOTION CARRIED**