

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE LA SALLE CITY COUNCIL
September 25, 2017**

A regular meeting of the La Salle City Council of La Salle, Illinois was held Monday, September 25, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. with Alderman Tom Ptak presiding in the absence of Mayor Jeff Grove and with proper notice being duly and continuously posted.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Present: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Schneider

Absent: Mayor Grove, Alderman Duncan, Alderman Herndon

A quorum was present.

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Schneider to appoint Tom Ptak as Mayor Pro Tem for the duration on the meeting in Mayor Grove's absence.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Schneider

NAY: None Absent: Alderman Duncan, Herndon Abstain: None

Motion Carried 6-0

Moved by Alderman Demes and seconded by Alderman Reynolds that the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held on Monday, September 11, 2017 are accepted and placed on file. Each and every alderman has a copy.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

PETITIONS

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to grant the request of LP High School to utilize City Streets for its annual Homecoming Parade on Thursday, October 5, 2017 at 4:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Schneider

NAY: None Absent: Alderman Duncan, Herndon Abstain: None

Motion Carried 6-0

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Schneider to accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee and deny the request of Illinois Valley Tumbling and Trampoline to sponsor a \$125 (20" x 12") wall board in the gym of the YMCA. Each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Schneider

NAY: None Absent: Alderman Duncan, Herndon Abstain: None

Motion Carried 6-0

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Demes to grant the request of Marc Zeglis on behalf of residents on the 1100-1200 Block of N. Marquette Street for permission to block off the road for their annual Block Park held on Saturday, September 23, 2017 from 1 p.m. until midnight. Each and every alderman has a copy.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to grant the request of CNC Graphics for a 160 square foot non-illuminated, single face ground sign at N. 3029th Road and E. Route 6. Each and every alderman have a copy. (This is a temporary sign located on private property advertising an upcoming auction on the property. IDOT permission is not required for the sign.)

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Schneider

NAY: None Absent: Alderman Duncan, Herndon Abstain: None

Motion Carried 6-0

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Demes to refer the requests of JJ Raffelson owner of JJR Next Level Training & Fitness, LLC for variances to the Zoning Ordinance to the Zoning Board of Appeals regarding the reduction off-street parking from 57 spaces to 25 spaces for the first year of business and to waive the requirement for parking on a paved surface for the first year of business and/or potentially permanently for potential new construction located at 32 Gunia Drive. Each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Schneider

NAY: None Absent: Alderman Duncan, Herndon Abstain: None

Motion Carried 6-0

Moved by Alderman Reynolds and seconded by Alderman Lavieri to grant the request of Ameren Illinois to break ground at 1129 5th Street to retire gas service for demolition. Each and every alderman has a copy.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to accept and place on file the Treasurer's Report for August 2017 showing cash balances in the La Salle State Bank of \$4,545,601.67 and in Hometown National Bank of \$5,220,145.99. Each and every alderman has a copy.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Bacidore and seconded by Alderman Demes to accept and place on file the Building Inspector Report for August 2017 showing total fees collected of \$672.20 and total value of construction totaling \$466,965. Each and every alderman has a copy.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to accept and place on file the Illinois Department of Revenue Report showing sales tax collected for June 2017 of \$92,150.24 and referendum approved sales tax of \$40,148.74 for a total of \$132,298.98. Each and every alderman has a copy.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Finance Director Duncan stated that beginning next month the council will notice a 2% service fee deducted on sales tax. This is a result of the State of Illinois enacting the service fee as part of the balanced budget legislation.

BIDS

Moved by Alderman Demes and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to reject the current bids for the emergency demolition of 540 First Street and to allow the potential demolition to be re-bid at the discretion of the Mayor with terms determined by the Mayor and Building Inspector.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Schneider

NAY: None Absent: Alderman Duncan, Herndon Abstain: None

Motion Carried 6-0

STANDING COMMITTEES

Moved by Alderman Bacidore and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to accept the recommendation of the Streets, Alleys, and Traffic Committee to grant the request of Sue Reeland for a handicapped parking sign in front of her residence at 617 Fifth Street. Each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Schneider

NAY: None Absent: Alderman Duncan, Herndon Abstain: None

Motion Carried 6-0

Discussion regarding the amendment of Ordinance 2597 concerning the Redevelopment Incentive Program was passed on and will be discussed at a future meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

Discussion and potential action regarding the potential acquisition by the City of La Salle of real estate commonly known as Jackson School located at 345 Sixth Street was passed and will be discussed at a future meeting.

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Schneider to authorize, pay and place on file Pay Request #1 from Dixon Engineering & Inspection Services totaling \$314,055 for the Civic Road Elevated Tower project. Each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Schneider

NAY: None Absent: Alderman Duncan, Herndon Abstain: None

Motion Carried 6-0

Moved by Alderman Bacidore and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to authorize, pay and place on file Pay Estimate #3 & Final to John Pohar & Sons, Inc. totaling \$21,950.40 for the 2017 Baker Avenue Storm Sewer Separation project. Each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Schneider

NAY: None Absent: Alderman Duncan, Herndon Abstain: None

Motion Carried 6-0

NEW BUSINESS

Moved by Alderman Bacidore and seconded by Alderman Lavieri to accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee and purchase a 2017 Ford F-450 truck totaling \$73,611. Each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Schneider

NAY: None Absent: Alderman Duncan, Herndon Abstain: None

Motion Carried 6-0

**PURCHASES: 2017 Ford F-450 Truck
totaling \$73,611.**

Alderman Demes stated that he received a call from Ed Miller, resident of 1044 Third Street. Mr. Miller is very concerned about speeding on Third Street from Joliet to Union Streets.

Alderman Demes made a motion to refer the matter to the Streets, Alleys and Traffic Committee to add additional Speed Limit signs in this area. The motion was seconded by Alderman Reynolds.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Alderman Bacidore announced the Streets, Alleys and Traffic Committee will meet at 6:45 p.m. on October 9, 2017.

Alderman Reynolds expressed his continued concerns about residents not cleaning up after their dogs specifically on the sidewalks on First Street. He suggested getting tougher on enforcement.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Moved by Alderman Bacidore and seconded by Alderman to pass and place on file **Ordinance 2703**: An Ordinance Further Regulating Parking within the City of La Salle. Each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Schneider

NAY: None Absent: None Abstain: None

Motion Carried 6-0

**Ordinance 2703: Further
Regulating Parking
(Handicapped Parking Sign
617 5th Street)**

COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

7:27 p.m. Moved by Alderman Schneider and seconded by Alderman Lavieri to exit regular session and enter into Executive Session regarding pending and/or potential imminent litigation and related matters: Collective bargaining and related matters, and acquisition and/or sale of city real estate and related matters and the employment, appointment, performance and/or compensation of non-union personnel and related matters pursuant to the Open Meetings Act including 5-ILCS 120 Section 2(c) 1-3,5,6, and 11 thereof.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Schneider

NAY: None Absent: Alderman Duncan, Herndon Abstain: None

Motion Carried 6-0

8:52 p.m. Moved by Alderman Reynolds and seconded by Alderman Demes to exit Executive Session and resume regular session.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Schneider

NAY: None Absent: Alderman Duncan, Herndon Abstain: None

Motion Carried 6-0

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Schneider that bills submitted totaling \$507,180.14 (Total Payroll \$160,913.55, Bills to be Paid \$230,393.65, Total Bills Paid \$115,872.94) be accepted, paid and placed on file. Each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Schneider

NAY: None Absent: Alderman Duncan, Herndon Abstain: None

Motion Carried 6-0

Moved by Alderman Reynolds and seconded by Alderman Demes to adjourn the meeting.
Voice vote, all ayes. Motion is carried.

ADJOURNED 8:53 p.m.

Carrie Brown

Carrie L. Brown, City Clerk