

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE LA SALLE CITY COUNCIL
October 21, 2019**

A regular meeting of the La Salle City Council of La Salle, Illinois was held Monday, October 21, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. with Mayor Jeff Grove present with proper notice being duly and continuously posted.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MOMENT OF SILENCE

A moment of silence was held for Martin Rue, local Vietnam veteran who played an instrumental role in bringing the Veteran's Home to La Salle and also Mike Carter who was the Superintendent of Wastewater in the City for several years.

ROLL CALL

Present- Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Herndon, Crane

Absent: None

A quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Alderman Demes and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to accept and place on file the minutes of the October 7, 2019 Regular City Council meeting. Each and every alderman has a copy.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

PROCLAMATION

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to proclaim October 24, 2019 as World Polio Day in the City of La Salle. Each and every alderman has a copy.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

PETITIONS

Moved by Alderman Herndon and seconded by Alderman Crane to grant the request from Ameren Illinois to break ground to install electric and gas service at 393 Ator Drive. Each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Jeppson, Herndon, Crane

NAY: None Absent: None Abstain: Alderman Lavieri

Motion Carried 7-0

Moved by Alderman Reynolds and seconded by Alderman Herndon to grant the request of Special Olympics Illinois, the Josh Dixon Benefit Committee and the Terri Jacobson Benefit Committee for 2019 Raffle Licenses. Each and every alderman has a copy.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Herndon and seconded by Alderman Crane to grant the request of David and Karen Safranski for a variance and waiver from the requirement of providing a sewer ejector pump pursuant to Ordinance 2157 for premises being constructed at Lot 9 of Country Aire Subdivision, commonly known as 379 Ator Drive. Each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Jeppson, Herndon, Crane

NAY: None Absent: None Abstain: Alderman Lavieri

Motion Carried 7-0

Moved by Alderman Demes and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to grant the request of Sandra Hoos, owner of Rawfully Yours Juice Bar and Café for a 4' x 8' wall sign for premises at 527 First Street. Each and every alderman has a copy.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to grant the request of Robert Spelich on behalf of Orange Chair Corporation d/b/a Union Hall for a Redevelopment Incentive Program Grant totaling \$7,450 for premises located at 1059 8th Street. Each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Herndon, Crane

NAY: None Absent: None Abstain: None

Motion Carried 8-0

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Jeppson to refer the request of Susan Sperk for a rear yard variance from 25 feet to 1 foot to construct a one car garage at 1721 Campbell Avenue to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Each and everyone has a copy.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Lavieri to accept and place on file the Treasurer's Report for September 2019 showing total cash balances in the La Salle State Bank of \$9,567,337.12 and in Hometown National Bank of \$3,611,017.32. Each and every alderman has a copy.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Herndon and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to accept and place on file the Monthly Police Income Report showing total fees collected of \$7,643.13. Each and every alderman has a copy.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Lavieri to accept and place on file the Illinois Department of Revenue Report showing sales tax collected for July 2019 of \$76,577.54 and Home Rules Sales Tax of \$67,619.59 for a total of \$144,197.13. Each and every alderman has a copy.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS

Chief Uranich stated that this position was created back in January, but the appointment solidifies the rank structure. Scott Samolinski has been serving in this capacity since January. As part of being appointed to the rank he will receive a \$2,000 stipend. He is eligible to receive overtime. This is not a tested position but instead a position that the Chief has the authority to appoint. The position is below the rank of Lieutenant and above the rank of Sergeant.

Moved by Alderman Herndon and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to accept the Police Chief's recommendation regarding the position of Commander.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Herndon, Crane

NAY: None Absent: None Abstain: None

Motion Carried 8-0

**Appointment: Scott Samolinski,
Commander**

Moved by Alderman Demes and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to accept the Mayor's reappointment of Andy Bacidore to the Fire Pension Board until August of 2022.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Herndon, Crane

NAY: None Absent: None Abstain: None

Motion Carried 8-0

**Appointment: Andy Bacidore, Fire
Pension Fund**

OLD BUSINESS

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to authorize, pay and place on file the statement from Cruz Concrete, Inc. totaling \$11,354 for the concrete color wall at Hegeler Park. Each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Herndon, Crane

NAY: None Absent: None Abstain: None

Motion Carried 8-0

Alderman Bacidore stated that since this was passed over at the last meeting, he requested that an ordinance prohibiting semi and semi-trailer parking on public streets and city parking lots from the north side of Third Street south to Canal, east of Bucklin to the City limits is added to the November 4 agenda. He suggested that there are exceptions for deliveries. Parking on private property is still allowed. The City Clerk will add this to the agenda.

Mayor Grove thanked Chief Andy Bacidore and all who participated in the recent open house and ribbon cutting at the new fire truck building. Mayor Grove thanked all the donors and Dean Tieman who was the main contractor on the project.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Grove announced that the city's Hometown Halloween event will be Saturday, October 26, 2019. Festivities begin at 9:30 a.m. with photos at the News Tribune, followed by a performance by the Hocus Pocus Hags at 10:30 a.m. Costume parade and judging is at 11:15 a.m. in the parking lot at Second and Wright Streets, followed by trick or treating at downtown businesses. Participants can then return to the parking lot where the Ax Church will provide food.

City wide Trick or Treating will take place from 5-7 p.m. on October 31, 2019.

ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to approve and place on file

Ordinance 2847: An Ordinance Authorizing the Execution of the IMLRMA Minimum/ Maximum Contribution Agreement. Each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Herndon, Crane

NAY: None Absent: None Abstain: None

Motion Carried 8-0

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Moved by Alderman Herndon and seconded by Alderman Crane to approve and place on file
Ordinance 2848: An Ordinance Allowing Waiver and Variance to David Safranski and Karen Safranski for Variance and Waiver from the Requirement of Providing a Sewer Ejection Pump Pursuant to Ordinance 2157 for Premises being Constructed at Lot 9 of Country Aire Subdivision, commonly known as 379 Ator Drive. Each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Jeppson Herndon, Crane

NAY: None Absent: Alderman Lavieri Abstain: None

Motion Carried 7-0

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Attorney McPhedran stated that the City owns several other properties west of the former Adrian gas station, so this property is important to the City for economic development. He also stated that the purchase of the property is subject to entering into a formal contract.

Moved by Alderman Demes and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to approve and place on file
Ordinance 2849: An Ordinance Authorizing the Acquisition of Real Estate Commonly Known as 362 Third Street, La Salle, Illinois David Adrian, Jr. who Acquired the Premises from the Estate of David Adrian, Sr. Each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson Herndon, Crane

NAY: Alderman Ptak Absent: None Abstain: None

Motion Carried 7-1

Ordinance 2849: Ordinance Authorizing the Acquisition of Real Estate Commonly Known as 362 Third Street, La Salle, Illinois David Adrian, Jr. who Acquired the Premises from the Estate of David Adrian, Sr.

Chief Andy Bacidore explained the billing for ambulance services for patients with Medicare, Medicaid and public aid reimbursement typically does not cover the entire cost. This agreement will assist the ambulance fund in securing additional reimbursement through a federal program. This is the first time the State of Illinois is participating in the program. This agreement allows the City to participate in the program which will be facilitated through a consultant. The consultant will retain 12%. By participating, the ambulance fund could receive \$80,000 to \$150,000 annually.

Moved by Alderman Herndon and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to approve and place on file
Ordinance 2850: An Ordinance Authorizing and Intergovernmental Agreement between the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services and the City of La Salle Fire Department regarding Certain Ambulance Services. Each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson Herndon, Crane

NAY: None Absent: None Abstain: None

Motion Carried 8-0

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The purchaser of this property submitted the highest bid during the sale of City properties held August 12, 2019. Currently the purchaser plans to maintain the lot as it. Attorney McPhedran stated that the buyer is aware that if any development occurs on the property he must adhere to all zoning and building regulations.

Moved by Alderman Herndon and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to approve and place on file
Ordinance 2851: An Ordinance Authorizing Sale of Municipally Owned Real Estate at 1130 9th Street within the City of La Salle. Each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson Herndon, Crane

NAY: None Absent: None Abstain: None

Motion Carried 8-0

Ordinance 2851: An Ordinance Authorizing Sale of Municipally Owned Real Estate at 1130 9th Street within the City of La Salle.

COMMENTS

Alderman Herndon also commended Marty Rue for his impact on the area and his persistence. He recalled a story of how Mr. Rue posed as a member of the press and made his way into a press conference with then Governor Ryan. Mr. Rue asked the Governor during that press conference where the 80-bed veteran's home was for La Salle. He was instrumental in bringing the home to La Salle. Attorney McPhedran described Mr. Rue as a leader in the area who was a true American who loved the veterans, the Illinois Valley and mostly his family.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Lavieri to accept, pay and place on file bills with Total Submitted totaling \$1,018,151.46 (Total Payroll \$172,436.32, Bills to be Paid \$264,512.45, Total Bills Paid \$581,202.69). Each and every alderman has a copy.


ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Herndon, Crane

NAY: None Absent: None Abstain: None

Motion Carried 8-0

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

ADJOURNED 7:01 p.m.


Carrie Brown
Carrie Brown, City Clerk