

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE LA SALLE CITY COUNCIL  
November 1, 2021**

**A regular meeting of the La Salle City Council of La Salle, Illinois was held Monday, November 1, at 6:30 p.m. with Mayor Jeff Grove presiding with proper notices being duly and continuously posted.**

The meeting was called to order at 6:32 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL**

**Present** - Mayor Jeff Grove, Aldermen Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Herndon

**Excused Absence** - Alderman Crane

**Others Present:** Deputy Clerk Brent Bader, Superintendent of Public Works Patrick Watson, Finance Director John Duncan, Economic Development Director Leah Inman, Building Inspector Andy Bacidore, Treasure Virginia Kochanowski, Fire Chief Jerry Janick.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Moved by Alderman Demes and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to accept and place on file the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held October 18, 2021. Each and every alderman has a copy.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Herndon and seconded by Alderman Lavieri to go out of order from original agenda.

**ROLL CALL**

**AYE:** Aldermen Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Herndon

**NAY:** None **Absent:** Alderman Crane **Abstain:** None

**MOTION CARRIED: 7-0**

**RETIREMENTS**

Fire Chief Jerry Janick wanted to recognize and honor Charlie Lijewski for his 49 years of service with the LaSalle Fire Department. He started with the Dept. in 1972. Mr. Lijewski has seen a lot of changes through his years of service with the Fire Dept, but his commitment never changed in those 49 years. Chief Janick recognized him as a very reliable, consistent leader for the Department.

Moved by Alderman Demes and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to accept and approve the retirement of Charlie Lijewski.

**ROLL CALL**

**AYE:** Aldermen Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Herndon

**NAY:** None **Absent:** Alderman Crane **Abstain:** None

**MOTION CARRIED: 7-0**

**APPOINTMENTS**

Mayor Grove recommends Dale Tieman as Assistant Fire Chief.

Moved by Alderman Demes and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to approve the appointment of Dale Tieman as Assistant Fire Chief.

**ROLL CALL**

**AYE:** Mayor Grove, Aldermen Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Herndon

**NAY:** None **Absent:** Alderman Crane **Abstain:** None

**MOTION CARRIED: 8-0**

Dale Tieman was sworn in as Assistant Fire Chief for the City of LaSalle.

**PETITIONS**

Moved by Alderman Herndon and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to approve the request from Ryan Storage for a 2021 Raffle License.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to deny the request from Ari Vazquez and Rosa Nieto for a new lamppost at the corner of the home at 705 8th St. The council stated that they will replace the current bulb with a LED. Deputy Clerk Bader will put a call in with Ameren.

**ROLL CALL**

**AYE:** Aldermen Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Herndon

**NAY:** None **Absent:** Alderman Crane **Abstain:** None

**MOTION CARRIED: 7-0**

Moved by Alderman Jeppson and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to send the request from Claire Bennett to Streets, Alleys, and Traffic Committee in regards to installing speed bumps on Edwards Avenue between Malcolm and Chartres St.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

**REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS**

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Lavieri to approve and accept the Treasurer's Report for September 2021 showing total cash balances in LaSalle State Bank of \$12,956,858.50 and in Hometown National Bank of \$5,532,748.90.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Lavieri to accept, approve, and place on file the Illinois Department of Revenue report showing sales tax collected for July 2021 of \$96,472.83, Home Rule Sales Tax of \$85,882.89, and Non-Home Rule Sales Tax of \$34.47 for a total of \$182,355.72. Each and every alderman has a copy.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Finance Director Duncan wanted to speak to the council in regards to the sales tax. Since Jan. 2021, the city's sales tax has been on a pretty steady increase. These were due to changes that were made in legislation in regards to the Wayfair case. The Wayfair case

was settled in 2018. The changes have been made and implemented since the settlement of that case. This case was based on how sales tax is collected with online orders. The current sales tax is now based on where the inventory came from, not where the brick and mortar building resides. This has significantly increased in LaSalle due to the residents ordering online and the city receiving sales tax on some of those items since Jan. 2021. The city is unfortunately unable to see the breakdown. Local Use tax and sales tax have an impact from online ordering. The city does receive the Use tax monthly. Director Duncan will make the Use tax report available and the sales tax report as well. The Use tax is for things, using Illinois as a location from a business who supplies a stock of something or to an Illinois merchant that came from out of Illinois. That is when the city receives Use tax instead of sales tax.

### **STANDING COMMITTEES**

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Lavieri to accept and approve a recommendation from the Finance Committee for a request to purchase of and labor associated with installing a new ridge cap for the roof from Chapman's at the new public works building.

### **ROLL CALL**

**AYE:** Aldermen Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Herndon

**NAY:** None **Absent:** Alderman Crane **Abstain:** None

**MOTION CARRIED: 7-0**

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Lavieri to accept and approve the request from the Finance committee for a request regarding the purchase of a John Deere 325G Track Skid Loader from Martin Equipment.

### **ROLL CALL**

**AYE:** Aldermen Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Herndon

**NAY:** None **Absent:** Alderman Crane **Abstain:** None

**MOTION CARRIED: 7-0**

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Lavieri to accept and approve the request from the Finance Committee for a request regarding the approval of the RMA Minimum/Maximum Contribution Agreement.

### **ROLL CALL**

**AYE:** Aldermen Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Herndon

**NAY:** None **Absent:** Alderman Crane **Abstain:** None

**MOTION CARRIED: 7-0**

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Jeppson to authorize and pay Estimate #7 to Trotter General Contracting, Inc. totaling \$35,926.80 for work completed to date on the 2021 9th Street Pump Station upgrade project.

### **ROLL CALL**

**AYE:** Aldermen Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Herndon

**NAY:** None **Absent:** Alderman Crane **Abstain:** None

**MOTION CARRIED: 7-0**

## **ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS**

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Lavieri to accept and place on file the ordinance authorizing the executions of the IMLRMA Minimum/Maximum Contribution Agreement. Each and every alderman has a copy.

### **ROLL CALL**

**AYE:** Aldermen Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Herndon

**NAY:** None **Absent:** Alderman Crane **Abstain:** None

**MOTION CARRIED: 7-0**

Moved by Alderman Reynolds and seconded by Alderman Jeppson to accept and place on file the ordinance authorizing agreement with Total Environmental Service Technologies, Inc. regarding Wastewater Treatment Plant. Each and every alderman has a copy.

### **ROLL CALL**

**AYE:** Aldermen Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Herndon

**NAY:** None **Absent:** Alderman Crane **Abstain:** None

**MOTION CARRIED: 7-0**

Moved by Alderman Reynolds and seconded by Alderman Jeppson to accept and place on file the ordinance authorizing agreement with AssureCo Risk Management and Regulatory Compliance LLC d/b/a Municipal 120 regarding waste water system operations. Each and every alderman has a copy.

### **ROLL CALL**

**AYE:** Aldermen Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Herndon

**NAY:** None **Absent:** Alderman Crane **Abstain:** None

**MOTION CARRIED: 7-0**

Moved by Alderman Bacidore and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to accept and place on file the ordinance further regulating parking within the City of LaSalle for Handicap Parking at 1703 Tonti Street.

### **ROLL CALL**

**AYE:** Aldermen Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Herndon

**NAY:** None **Absent:** Alderman Crane **Abstain:** None

**MOTION CARRIED: 7-0**

Fire Chief Janick wanted to thank the City Council for all their support with the many retirements and appointments in the last few months.

## **APPROVAL OF BILLS**

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Lavieri to accept, pay, and place on file bills for October 18, 2021 with Total Submitted: \$1,379,065.04 (Total Payroll \$168,164.89, Bills to be paid \$184,182.57, Total Bills Paid \$1,026,717.58).

### **ROLL CALL**

**AYE:** Aldermen Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Herndon

**NAY:** None **Absent:** Alderman Crane **Abstain:** None

**MOTION CARRIED: 7-0**

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

**ADJOURNED 7:05 pm**

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Amy Quinn". The signature is fluid and cursive, with "Amy" on the first line and "Quinn" on the second line.

Amy Quinn, City Clerk