

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING

OF THE LA SALLE CITY COUNCIL

May 31, 2022

A regular meeting of the La Salle City Council of La Salle, Illinois was held Monday, May 31, 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 6:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

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

Absent: NONE

Others Present: Deputy Clerk Brent Bader, Finance Director John Duncan, Fire Chief Jerry Janick, Superintendent of Public Works Patrick Watson, Treasurer Virginia Kochanowski, City Engineer Brian Brown

A quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Alderman Demes and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to approve, accept and place on file the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held May 16, 2022. Each and every alderman has a copy.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

RECOGNITION

Trinity Catholic Academy Coach John Duncan started by sharing a slideshow from the State Track Meet that took place at Eastside Centre in Peoria. TCA Track is Coached by John Duncan, Dale Kalman, and Jim O'Hare. Duncan Recognized the 14 2022 Trinity Catholic Academy Track and Field State Athletes.

- **7th Grade**
- 4 x 200 – Lila Koehler, Paige Picco, McKenzie Chamberlain (LaSalle Resident), Kate Duncan.
- Kate Duncan also placed 7th in High Jump.
- **7th Grade Boys** – Sean Brayton placed 8th in Shot, 8th Disc, 6th in 100-meter dash.
- **8th Grade Boys** - 4x200 Relay placed 3rd – Sean Brayton, AJ Hermes, Yannis Young, Jose DeLaTorre.
 - AJ Hermes also placed 7th in Disc.
 - Yannis also ran Hurdles.

- **8th Grade Girls – as a team pointed and finished second in the state overall.**
- Kelsey Frederick (LaSalle Resident) placed 5th in High Jump
- Savanah Bray placed 3rd in Shot.
- 4x200 Relay Team placed 1st – Maggie Arkins, Emeral DeLaTorre, Karmen Piano, Lily Bosnich.
- Lily also placed 2nd in the 100m and State Champion in the 100m Hurdles.

Duncan wanted to thank the police and fire departments for the escort through town for the welcome home parade.

On behalf Mayor Grove, LaSalle City Council, and Illinois Department of Transportation, as a recognition of the two championship's, road signs will be installed at US Rt. 6 off Interstate 39 and Route 351/Interstate 80. These signs will be in place for the duration of one year and then given to the student or the school.

Mayor Jeff Grove did mention to the group of athletes how proud he was of them all and what great examples they are to the younger students and siblings.

DISCUSSION AND POTENTIAL ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING PETITIONS:

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Jeppson to approve the request from Ameren to break ground at:

- 206 24th St to replace a pedestal.
- 1343 Crosat Street to replace a pole.
- 1675 Crosat Street to replace a pole.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Alderman Crane asked for the city to stay on Ameren as best as they could to get Ameren to take out the old poles when they replace. There are usually other utilities on the other poles that need to be removed so Ameren will not remove until all utilities are off the old pole.

Moved by Alderman Demes and seconded by Alderman Bacidore to approve the request from Ramon Torres to break ground at 1015 Marquette Street for a driveway. Each and every alderman has a copy.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS

Moved by Alderman Herndon and seconded Alderman Reynolds to approve and place on file the Monthly Police Report for May 2022 showing total fees collected of \$8,712.36.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Moved by Alderman Herndon and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to accept and place on file the Thank you letter from North Central Area Transit.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

BIDS

Moved by Alderman Crane and seconded by Alderman Herndon to accept the architect's recommendation on file and approve the bid award to Sterling Commerical Roofing for City Hall Roofing Replacement Project.

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

NAY: None

Absent: None **Abstain:** None

MOTION CARRIED: 8-0

Alderman Herndon asked if the City could also look to repair the eastside of the City Hall building.

Mayor did state that the work for the roof project is estimated to be done by Dec. 1st and it is paid for through the grant funding.

APPOINTMENTS

Moved by Alderman Jeppson and seconded by Alderman Lavieri to accept the appointments of Matt Valle and Ali Braboy to the LaSalle Library Board positions.

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

NAY: None

Absent: None **Abstain:** None

MOTION CARRIED: 8-0

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission regarding a request of Carus Corporation for rezoning of certain premises commonly known as a portion of 1500 8th St., LaSalle, Illinois.

Attorney McPhedran stated that this request was approved unanimous from the Planning Commission and there were no specific objections.

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

NAY: None

Absent: None **Abstain:** None

MOTION CARRIED: 8-0

Alderman Crane is very happy to see another business in La Salle expanding.

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to accept the recommendation from the Planning Commission regarding the request by the La Salle City

Council in regard to updating and clarifying certain provisions of the LaSalle Zoning Ordinance related to Special Uses.

Attorney McPhedran stated that this also passed the planning commission unanimously. McPhedran certain types of business operations would be required to have a special use permit, including wind farms and/or wind turbine farms, large-scale hog farming, and, and large-scale poultry farming.

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

NAY: None

Absent: None **Abstain:** None

MOTION CARRIED: 8-0

NEW BUSINESS

Alderman Bacidore asked about when cameras will be installed out at the burn pile. Mayor did verify with Superintendent Watson about the progress of running power. Watson will update the council in two weeks on status of running power and will also be contacting the camera company.

Alderman Crane did ask the fine for the resident dumping the furniture. Chief Smudzinski did inform the council that the resident was asked to pick the furniture up and then fined \$100 or \$200.

DISCUSSION AND POTENTIAL ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL ORDIANCES/RESOLUTIONS:

Moved by Alderman Reynolds and seconded by Alderman Demes to accept the ordinance further regulating parking within the City of LaSalle in front of 728 Fourth Street. Each and every alderman has a copy.

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

NAY: None

Absent: None **Abstain:** None

MOTION CARRIED: 8-0

Moved by Alderman Herndon and seconded by Alderman Crane to accept the ordinance further regulating traffic within the City of LaSalle (stop sign at McArthur Road and Hennepin Street). Each and every alderman has a copy.

AYE: Aldermen 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 Demes to accept the ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of a tax increment financing (TIF) district redevelopment agreement by and between the city of LaSalle, LaSalle County, Illinois and Mark Sekula and Magnum Auto Restoration, Inc. Each and every alderman has a copy.

AYE: Aldermen Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Jeppson, Herndon, Crane

NAY: None

Absent: Alderman Lavieri **Abstain:** None

MOTION CARRIED: 7-0

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to accept the ordinance approving Zoning Change Regarding a Portion of Premises Located at 1500 8th Street, La Salle, Illinois, and Related Matters (Carus Corporation). Each and every alderman has a copy.

AYE: Aldermen 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 Ptak to accept the ordinance updating and Clarifying Certain Provisions of La Salle Zoning Ordinance Related to Special Uses. Each and every alderman has a copy.

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

NAY: None

Absent: None **Abstain:** None

MOTION CARRIED: 8-0

COMMENTS

Mayor wanted to recognize Chief Janick & the entire Fire Department for all their firefighting efforts at Grand Bear Fire last night.

Alderman Lavieri wanted the remind the Council that this weekend it is Arts in the Park at Pulaski Park, start times will be 5:30 p.m. Friday and 3:00 p.m. Saturday.

Alderman Lavieri also mentioned that Saturday morning, June 4th, Kids Fishing Rodeo, registration at 8 a.m. down at I & M Canal.

Alderman Bacidore thanked Mr. Hammers for bringing everyone into La Salle last weekend with his event at his business.

Alderman Bacidore also asked to if the council could invite Peter back to discuss his status on First St.

Alderman Ptak does believe that the materials/supply chain is tough to keep up with currently and it is hard to find and hold good contractors. He believes this company is doing their best with the times.

Mayor asked Director Inman to get in contact with the owner and get an idea of their timeline. The City has already extended their last timeline to June 1st 2022

Alderman Crane mentioned how Inspector Andy Bacidore is doing well handing out fines to businesses that aren't keeping up with project completions.

Alderman Herndon is upset with how the business on First Street is making the city looking terrible for not completing what they started. The city needs to get a little tougher by handing out fines monthly.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Lavieri to accept, authorize, and place on file the bills from May 16, 2022. Total Submitted: \$743,294.74 (Total Payroll \$189,526.13, Bills to be paid \$284,777.70, Total Bills Paid \$268,990.91).

AYE: Aldermen 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 7:00pm



Amy Quinn, City Clerk