

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF THE SAVANNA CITY COUNCIL IN
THE CITY OF SAVANNA, CARROLL COUNTY, ILLINOIS, ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 8, 2017
AT 7:30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT 333 CHICAGO AVENUE, SAVANNA,
ILLINOIS 61074**

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Chris Lain called the meeting to order on said date at 7:30 PM. Notice of the meeting was delivered to all Council members and posted at 333 Chicago Avenue, Savanna, Illinois in accordance with the State of Illinois Open Meetings Act.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mayor Chris Lain led the Council in the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL / ESTABLISH QUORUM:

Mayor Chris Lain declared establishment of a quorum with members in attendance Mayor Chris Lain, Samantha Ritchie, Sara DeSpain Purdom, Chris James, Roger Husband, Pat Sanchez, Jeff Griswold, Jim Friedenbach and Christine Lee. Non-members in attendance were Linda Grissinger, Marne LaShelle, Sharon Eckstein, News Media: Michael Miller and Mike Nester, Superintendent John Lindeman, Police Chief Kevin Dimmick, Asst. Fire Chief Scott Wolfe, Comptroller/Treasurer Sheryl Sipe, City Attorney Phil Jensen and City Clerk Rhonda Weiss.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Mayor Chris Lain asked for a motion to approve the agenda. **Samantha Ritchie made a motion to approve the agenda, with a second from Sara DeSpain Purdom.** All in favor, none opposed, the motion passed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Consideration of the Minutes of the July 25, 2017 Meeting: Mayor Chris Lain asked for a motion to approve the minutes from July 25, 2017. **Samantha Ritchie made a motion to approve the July 25, 2017 minutes, with a second from Pat Sanchez.** All in favor, none opposed, the motion passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Hotel/Motel Committee 8-02-17: Chairman Samantha Ritchie reported on the meeting from 8-2-17. Due to time constraints the Blackhawk Waterways Grant for bike trail signage has expired, but will reapply later in conjunction with the remodeling of the bike trailhead and parking lot. The committee is also looking at hiring a marketing consultant. **Pat Sanchez made a motion to accept the report from the Hotel/Motel Committee meeting of 8-2-17, with a second by Sara DeSpain Purdom.** All in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

Finance Committee 8-08-17: Chairman Christine Lee reported on the meeting from earlier in the evening. John Lindeman presented a bid for modifications to increase the fencing behind the fire station. The front concrete is exposed and creates a security issue. This bid is for \$6,746.25. The second item is for a motorized gate control for \$12,176.25 at the new sewer treatment plant. This will work into the existing plan as a change order. **The committee recommended approval of the change order with the two bids received from Lovewell Fencing, Inc. in the amount of \$6746.25 for the lift station fencing behind the fire station and \$12,176.25 for a motorized gate at the new plant.** Twenty-one accounts were transferred to the Savanna-Thomson State Bank. Their board of directors agreed to pledge securities over the FDIC insurance amount of \$250,000, which will then fully cover all city accounts without the fees proposed by Triumph Community Bank. All accounts left at Triumph Community Bank are under the FDIC insurance limit. Sheryl was able to get the transfers completed before any fees went into effect. **No action necessary by the committee.** The accounts receivable report was looked at and approved. Along with the 12/24/36/48/60 report and the final numbers on the fireworks fund for the 2017 event. Warrant #4 for \$256,135.09 was recommended for payment.

Request for Loan & Grant Disbursements for WWTP and In-System Projects: This will be tabled for another meeting as Sharon Pepin was not able to reconcile some numbers to have the draw ready for this meeting.

Request for Funds, Paint Police Department and Request for Funds, Paint Council Chambers/Men's Bathroom: Chairman Christine Lee stated the Committee recommends approval of the painting which is budgeted in the Civic Fund. **Christine Lee made a motion to approve the Request for funds to paint the police department not to exceed the budget amount of \$2,500 & Request of Funds to paint the Council Chambers and Men's Bathroom not to exceed the budgeted amount of \$1,000, with a second by Sara DeSpain Purdom.** A

roll call showed Christine Lee, Jim Friedenbach, Jeff Griswold, Samantha Ritchie, Pat Sanchez, Sara DeSpain Purdom, Chris James, and Roger Husband in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

Request for Funds, Six Pagers, Fire Department: Chairman Christine Lee stated the Finance Committee recommended approval of this budgeted request. **Christine Lee made a motion to approve the request to purchase six pagers not to exceed the budgeted amount of \$2,880 from the Fire Protection Fund, with a second by Pat Sanchez.** A roll call showed Jim Friedenbach, Jeff Griswold, Samantha Ritchie, Pat Sanchez, Sara DeSpain Purdom, Chris James, Roger Husband and Christine Lee in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

Request for Funds, Repairs to City Hall Roof: Chairman Christine Lee stated the Finance Committee recommended approval of this non-budget request from the Civic Fund. **Christine Lee motioned to approve the bid by Beckwith Commercial Roofing, Inc. in the amount of \$2,912, with a second by Pat Sanchez.** A roll call showed Jeff Griswold, Samantha Ritchie, Pat Sanchez, Sara DeSpain Purdom, Chris James, Jim Friedenbach and Christine Lee in favor, Roger Husband opposed. Motion passed.

Request for Funds, Roof Vents on Bay Side Roof Repair, Fire Dept.: Chairman Christine Lee stated the Finance Committee recommended approval of this budgeted request from the Civic Fund. **Christine Lee motioned to approve the bid from Beckwith Commercial Roofing, Inc. for \$2,625 to repair the fire department roof, with a second by Pat Sanchez,** A roll call showed Jeff Griswold, Samantha Ritchie, Pat Sanchez, Sara DeSpain Purdom, Chris James, Jim Friedenbach and Christine Lee in favor, Roger Husband opposed. Motion passed.

Request for Funds, MSA Professional Services Lift Station SCADA Design Bidding & Construction Engineering Agreement: Chairman Christine Lee stated the Finance Committee recommended approval of this budgeted request from the Sewer System Improvement Fund. **Christine Lee made a motion to approve the MSA agreement for design, bidding and construction engineering for the SCADA system in the amount of \$50,000, with a second by Pat Sanchez.** A roll call showed Jeff Griswold, Samantha Ritchie, Pat Sanchez, Sara DeSpain Purdom, Chris James, Jim Friedenbach and Christine Lee in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

Christine Lee also pointed out that the Finance Committee Meeting will change to 6:30 pm starting next month. **Pat Sanchez made a motion to accept the Finance Committee report, with a second by Sara DeSpain Purdom.** All in favor, none opposed. The motion passed.

WARRANT #4:

Bills for the Month of July 2017 Totaling \$256,135.09: Christine Lee stated the Finance Committee reviewed and recommended approval. **Christine Lee made a motion to approve Warrant #4 in the amount of \$256,135.09, with a second by Pat Sanchez.** A roll call showed Christine Lee, Chris James, Roger Husband, Jim Friedenbach, Samantha Ritchie, Jeff Griswold, Pat Sanchez, and Sara DeSpain Purdom in favor, none opposed. The motion passed

COMMUNICATIONS:

Mayor Chris Lain claimed no communications this meeting.

MONTHLY REPORTS

Financial, Police, Fire, Public Works for July 2017: After a brief review, **Samantha Ritchie made a motion to approve the Financial, Police, Fire & Public Works reports for July 2017, with a second by Pat Sanchez.** All in favor, none opposed. The motion passed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Wastewater Treatment Facility, Main and Bowen Street Lift Stations and In-System Sewer Improvements Project Update and Associated Action Items: John Lindeman updated the council on progress. The start-up should begin next week. The landscaping, road and parking lot is to be done by this fall. **Christine Lee made a motion to accept the report, with a second by Samantha Ritchie.** All in favor, none opposed. The motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Tenth Addendum to Facilities Space Lease West Carroll CUSD #314: Jeff Griswold stated the only change in this 10th addendum is the lease is for five years instead of one. The dollar amount stayed the same. **Jeff Griswold made a motion to accept the Tenth Addendum, with a second by Pat Sanchez.** All in favor, none opposed. The motion passed.

Residential Rental Inspection Ordinance for Non-Home Rule Entity, City Attorney: City Attorney Phil Jensen spoke to the research he had completed regarding the possibility of the City of Savanna creating a rental inspection ordinance. He feels confident there is that ability in the

state statutes regarding nuisances. He also feels the City can implement a rental license compliance ordinance. Mayor Chris Lain recommended referring this item to the Ordinance Committee. **Sara DeSpain Purdom made a motion to have the Ordinance Committee consider a comprehensive residential inspections license and ordinance, with a second by Pat Sanchez.** All in favor, none opposed. The motion passed.

Request for funds, MSA Professional Services Lift Station SCADA Design, Bidding & Construction Engineering Agreement: Christine Lee stated the Finance Committee reviewed this budgeted request and recommended approval. **Christine Lee made a motion to approve the agreement in the amount of \$50,000 as budgeted, with a second by Chris James.** A roll call was taken with Christine Lee, Pat Sanchez, Sara DeSpain Purdom, Chris James, Jim Friedenbach, Roger Husband, Jeff Griswold voting in favor, none opposed. The motion passed.

CITIZENS, COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Sara DeSpain Purdom wanted to acknowledge that Sharon Eckstein only has about 10 fire hydrants left to paint in the whole town.

Scott Wolfe stated that he is working on a power point presentation of the daily activities of the fire station.

Linda Grissinger asked about the celebration for the opening of the new bridge. Mayor Chris Lain said the tentative date for the celebration and dedication is set for November 11th. We are waiting on a definitive completion date from IDOT.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Chris Lain made a motion to adjourn at 8:30 pm.

Minutes composed by Rhonda Weiss, City Clerk.