

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF THE SAVANNA CITY COUNCIL
IN THE CITY OF SAVANNA, CARROLL COUNTY, ILLINOIS, ON TUESDAY, JULY 24, 2018
AT 7:30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT
333 CHICAGO AVENUE, SAVANNA, ILLINOIS 61074**

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Pro-tem Sara DeSpain Purdom 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 Pro-tem Sara DeSpain Purdom led the Council in the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL / ESTABLISH QUORUM:

Mayor Pro-tem Sara DeSpain Purdom declared establishment of a quorum with members in attendance Sara DeSpain Purdom, Chris James, Jeff Griswold, Roger Husband, Pat Sanchez, Jim Friedenbach, Christine Lee and Samantha Ritchie. Mayor Chris Lain was absent. Non-members in attendance were News Media:Michael Miller, Police Chief Kevin Dimmick, Fire Chief Shawn Piccolotti, Comptroller/Treasurer Sheryl Sipe, Superintendent John Lindeman, City Attorney Phil Jensen, and City Clerk Rhonda Weiss. Citizens in attendance were Linda Grissinger, Alex Didato and Rae Timm.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Mayor Pro-tem Sara DeSpain Purdom asked for a motion to approve the agenda for July 24, 2018, **Christine Lee made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Pat Sanchez.** All in favor, none opposed, the motion passed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Consideration of the Minutes of the July 10, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes: Mayor Pro-tem Sara DeSpain Purdom asked for a motion to approve the minutes from July 10, 2018. **Samantha Ritchie made a motion to approve the July 10, 2018 minutes as written, seconded by Pat Sanchez.** All in favor, none opposed, the motion passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Ordinance/Public Relations Committee 07-17-18: Chairman Jeff Griswold reported the Committee discussed and recommended approval to amend Title 3, Chapter 7, Liquor Regulation to conform to State regulations regarding the Mayor having an interest in a business holding a liquor license. The first reading of this Ordinance amendment is under New Business. The Committee also recommend approval to amend the fingerprinting requirements and the warning signs required under the Title 3 of the liquor code. The Committee reviewed adopting a Food Truck License Ordinance, which they tabled for more information. The Committee reviewed and recommend adding e-cigarettes to the current Smoking Ban Ordinance. The Committee reviewed and recommended approval to increases the \$20.00 Return Check charge to \$30.00. At the request of the Police Chief, the Committee reviewed the Golf Cart code and recommended adding UTV's to the definitions of authorized vehicles. Chief Dimmick also requested an amendment to the General Penalties wording to 48 hours for payment of a ticket at the SPD from the current two (2) business days. The Committee also tabled discussion on Swimming Pool Water rates. **Pat Sanchez motioned to approve the Ordinance/Public Relations Committee from 07-17-18, seconded by Samantha Ritchie.** All voting in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Mayor Pro-tem Sara DeSpain Purdom stated none for consideration.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Mayor Pro-tem Sara DeSpain Purdom stated none for consideration.

NEW BUSINESS:

Ordinance, Amending Title 3, Chapter 7, Section 4, Restriction on Issuance or Renewal of Licenses: Mayor Pro-tem Sara DeSpain Purdom explained the Mayor or any elected official, under the current ordinance, cannot directly or indirectly have an interest in the sale or distribution of alcoholic liquor, but the State regulations state that municipalities under 55,000 in population a Mayor is allowed to have an interest as long as they have appointed another to serve as local Liquor Commissioner. This Ordinance amendment will mirror the State regulations. **Christine Lee motioned to read by Title only and place on second reading at the next Council meeting, seconded by Jeff Griswold,** all voting in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

Ordinance, Amending Title 1, Chapter 5, Section 11, Salary: Mayor Pro-tem Sara DeSpain

Purdum explained this amendment refers to the Mayor receiving a \$50 annual salary for being the Liquor Commissioner. The amendment will add "provided he/she also serves as liquor commissioner". **Christine Lee motioned to read by title only, waive the second reading and approve Ordinance #2226 amending Title 1, Chapter 5, Section 11, Salary, seconded by Jim Friedenbach,** all voting in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

Ordinance, Amending Title 3, Chapter 7, Section 3, Application: Mayor Pro-tem Sara DeSpain Purdom explained this amendment to the application process for a liquor license will have the fingerprints be provided by a professional live-scan service to be processed rather than the Savanna police department. This service can longer be provided at the SPD due to State requirements for live-scan fingerprints. **Christine Lee motioned to reading by title only, waive the second reading and approve Ordinance #2227 amending Title 3, Chapter 7, Section 3, Application, seconded by Samantha Ritchie,** all voting in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

Ordinance, Amending Title 3, Chapter 7, Section 25, Warning Signs Required: Mayor Pro-tem Sara DeSpain Purdom explained this is removing wording stating the signs are provided by the comptroller or city clerk to the State of Illinois supplying them. The warning signs are currently provided by the State when an applicant receives their liquor license. **Christine Lee motioned to read by title only, waive the second reading and approve Ordinance #2228 amending Title 3, Chapter 7, Section 25, Warning Signs Required, seconded by Jim Friedenbach,** all voting in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

Ordinance, Amending Title 9, Chapter 4, Golf Carts: Mayor Pro-tem Sara DeSpain Purdom explained this amendment is adding UTV's to the definitions of authorized vehicles. **Christine Lee motioned to read by title only and place on second reading at the next Council meeting, seconded by Jeff Griswold,** all in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

Ordinance, Amending Title 1, Chapter 4, Section 1(B), General Penalties: Mayor Pro-tem Sara DeSpain Purdom explained this is amending the wording from two (2) business days to 48 hours for payment of a ticket at the Savanna Police Department office. **Jeff Griswold motioned to read by title only, waive the second reading and approve Ordinance #2229 amending Title 1, Chapter 4, Section 1(B), General Penalties, seconded by Pat Sanchez,** all in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

Ordinance, Amending Title 1, Chapter 4, Section 5, Returned Check Charges: Mayor Pro-tem Sara DeSpain Purdom explained this amendment will increase the current charge of \$20.00 for a return check to \$30.00. **Pat Sanchez motioned to read by title only, waive the second reading and approve Ordinance #2230 amending Title 1, Chapter 4, Section 5, Returned Check Charges, seconded by Samantha Ritchie.** Voting Aye: Jim Friedenbach, Samantha Ritchie, Pat Sanchez, Roger Husband, Chris James, Sara DeSpain Purdom, and Jeff Griswold. Nay: Christine Lee. Motion passed.

Resolution, Temporary Road Closure, Homecoming Parade: Mayor Pro-tem Sara DeSpain Purdom explained this is a request by the West Carroll Student Council to temporarily close Illinois Route 64 (Main Street) for a Homecoming Parade on September 13th from 6-7 pm. **Christine Lee motioned to approve Resolution #1162, Temporary Road Closure, Homecoming Parade, seconded by Pat Sanchez,** all voting in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

APPOINTMENTS:

Liquor Control Commissioner: Samantha Ritchie motioned to table the appointment of a Liquor Control Commissioner, seconded by Pat Sanchez, all voting in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

CITIZENS, COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Linda Grissinger questioned who will be responsible for maintenance of the hill above the retaining wall by the new bridge. John Lindeman explained it will be the States responsibility because it is outside city limits. Christine Lee asked John to make a call to the State to clarify it.

John Lindeman said the Bike Trail Bridge will be closed starting Wednesday, July 25th until August 3rd for repair.

Jim Friedenbach asked who is providing the closure signs for the bridge repair, with John Lindeman responding Selco will be providing them through the construction company doing the work. Jim also asked about the progress of the signs for the demolition houses. John responded they are ordered awaiting delivery.

Samantha Ritchie asked if all LED bulbs are installed and when the poles will be painted. John Lindeman responded that all the LED bulbs have been installed and the painting will begin in the

next few weeks. Jeff Griswold asked that the two poles by the Iron Horse be checked, the lights appear to be out already.

Christine Lee received a call from a constituent regarding the weeds in front of the old Pizza Hut. The right of way is mowed but next to the building the weeds have gotten out of control. There is also a house 2 houses down from the old Pizza Hut in the same condition. She also requested Chief Dimmick look into the drinking of alcohol occurring on the sidewalks downtown. She stated there is an ordinance prohibiting drinking outside the establishments and it seems to be ignored lately. Christine Lee also asked if a picnic table or bench could be placed down by the ferry for people waiting.

ADJOURNMENT:

With nothing further, **Mayor Pro-tem Sara DeSpain Purdom made a motion to adjourn at 8:08 pm.**

Minutes composed by Rhonda Weiss, City Clerk.