

Fairfield, Illinois  
Council Chambers, City Hall  
Regular Meeting, 6:00 P.M.  
Tuesday, March 23, 2021

The City Council meeting was held with in-person attendance and others joined the meeting via phone conference.

Meeting called to order by Acting Mayor Moore at 6:00 P.M.

Prayer led by David Mills followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

City Clerk Tina Hutchcraft called the roll:

Acting Mayor: Gary Moore  
City Clerk: Tina Hutchcraft  
City Attorney: Darrin Rice  
Aldermen: Ralph Barbre; Brett Coale; Jim Griffith; Tyler Lampley; Eugene McGill; Jerry Lisenbee; Terry Stahl

Also Present: Ken Otey, WFIW Radio; David Mills, Wayne County Press; Keith Colclasure, Police Chief; Andrew Miller, Fire Chief; Tyler Lashbrook, Electric Department; Josh Boyd, Water Filtration; Kevin Leonard, Water Distribution; Carroll Dugger, Cemetery Department; Dian Downs; Flo Simpson; and other citizens from the community.

The minutes of the meeting of March 9, 2021, agendas and bills of March 23, 2021 were sent out to those entitled to receive them. Acting Mayor Moore asked for approval of the minutes for the March 9, 2021 meeting. Motion by Alderman McGill, seconded by Alderman Stahl to approve the minutes of the meeting of March 9, 2021.

Vote yes: Barbre; Coale; Griffith; Lampley; Lisenbee; McGill; Moore; Stahl

Vote no: none

Acting Mayor Moore declared motion carried.

Acting Mayor Moore asked for approval to pay the bills for the March 23, 2021 meeting. A motion was made by Alderman Barbre, seconded by Alderman Coale to approve the bills for payment.

Vote yes: Coale; Griffith; Lampley; Lisenbee; McGill; Moore; Stahl; Barbre

Vote no: none

Acting Mayor Moore declared motion carried.

The Council agenda included recognition of a new police officer. This officer had an unexpected family emergency so this will be put back on the agenda for a future meeting.

Historical Society Cemetery Tour – The Wayne County Historical Society is planning a cemetery tour September 10-11 with a rain date of September 24-25. This year's theme is "Famous and Infamous".

Award Bid for the Sale of a 1986 C-10 Pick-up Truck – We received ten bids for the sale of this truck. The highest bid was for \$1,000 from John Landers. A motion was made by Alderman Stahl, seconded by Alderman Lisenbee to approve the sale of this vehicle.

Vote yes: Griffith; Lampley; Lisenbee; McGill; Moore; Stahl; Barbre; Coale

Vote no: none

Acting Mayor Moore declared motion carried.

Discussion/Award Bid for the South Wall Renovation at City Hall – The Council discussed the bids received for the renovation of the south wall at City Hall. Mayor Moore stated that another contractor had brought to his attention that he felt the floor of City Hall was lower than the parking lot and this contractor felt additional work would be needed instead of what was in the bid specifications. The Council decided to table this for now and asked Mayor Moore to contact the architects who designed the work to see if they thought additional work would be needed.

Fireworks – A motion was made by Alderman Stahl, seconded by Alderman Coale to approve setting aside \$10,000 for fireworks to be held Saturday, July 3<sup>rd</sup> with a rain date of Sunday, July 4<sup>th</sup>.

Vote yes: Lisenbee; McGill; Moore; Stahl; Barbre; Coale; Griffith; Lampley

Vote no: none

Acting Mayor Moore declared motion carried.

Resolution Approving TIF Agreement with DeMontster, Inc. d/b/a Dairy Queen – Alderman Coale reported that Dairy Queen is remodeling two public restrooms. The TIF Committee reviewed this request and made a recommendation to the Council to approve a TIF Redevelopment Agreement with them in the amount of \$7,500. A motion was made by Alderman McGill, seconded by Alderman Lisenbee to approve the TIF Redevelopment Agreement with DeMontster, Inc. d/b/a Dairy Queen based upon the TIF committee's recommendation.

Vote yes: McGill; Moore; Stahl; Barbre; Coale; Griffith; Lampley; Lisenbee

Vote no: none

Acting Mayor Moore declared motion carried and Resolution No. 21-0323-372 approved and duly adopted.

Discussion of the Public Hearing for Remapping TIF 1 – A public hearing was held concerning the remapping of TIF 1. The remapping was necessary to bring TIF 1 and TIF 2 into compliance. Mike Podolsky addressed the Council and asked that the property he owns along Main Street be added to TIF 1. He felt his property should have been included in TIF 1 when the boundaries were originally drafted. The Council listened to his request but no action to add this property to the TIF 1 boundaries was taken.

Miscellaneous – Mayor Moore announced that a city-wide cleanup day is set for April 10<sup>th</sup>.

Miscellaneous – Mayor Moore told the Council that the City had tried to provide a place for residents to be able to drop off their brush after hours. A contractor has been dumping there illegally so the Street & Bridge Department has had to block off the area. This will be closed to

our residents as a measure to prevent illegal dumping until we can figure out a way to monitor the area.

Miscellaneous – Alderman Griffith mentioned that he has noticed people parking their vehicles on sidewalks throughout the city. He wanted to remind people that this is not allowed and that repairs of sidewalks are very expensive.

Adjourn Meeting – Motion by Alderman McGill, seconded by Alderman Stahl to adjourn the meeting.

Vote yes: 8

Vote no: 0

Alderman Moore declared meeting adjourned at 6:39 p.m.

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Tina Hutchcraft, City Clerk

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Gary Moore, Acting Mayor