

Ottawa, Illinois  
March 7, 2023

Regular meeting of the Council of the City of Ottawa, Illinois.

Present: Wayne A. Eichelkraut Jr., Thomas G. Ganiere, Marla K. Pearson,  
James J. Less, and Mayor Daniel F. Aussem.

Absent: None.

Commissioner Eichelkraut presented minutes of previous meeting.

Moved by Commissioner Eichelkraut that the minutes of a regular meeting of the Council of the City of Ottawa, Illinois, held on Tuesday, February 21, 2023, be approved as recorded in the permanent files of the City Clerk.

Second by Ganiere.

Ayes: Eichelkraut, Ganiere, Less and Mayor Aussem.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

A public hearing was held on the annexation agreement with Gary D. Nelson and Kathy Lee Nelson. City Engineer, Tom Duttlinger said that the parcel is not contiguous right now. City Attorney, Christina Cantlin, explained that the agreement allows the couple to pay the nonresident fee and connect to the sewer for \$9,800.00. Duttlinger added that they will pay double the nonresident rate. With no one publicly commenting, the hearing was declared closed at 7:04 p.m.

Commissioner Eichelkraut presented Biweekly Salary Payroll.

Moved by Commissioner Eichelkraut that the Biweekly Salary Payroll of March 3, 2023, in the amount of \$528,764.10, be approved and warrants issued.

Second by Ganiere.

Ayes: Eichelkraut, Ganiere, Less and Mayor Aussem.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Commissioner Eichelkraut presented Monthly Expense Report.

Moved by Commissioner Eichelkraut that the Monthly Expense Report dated March 7, 2023, showing expenses in the amount of \$2,040,435.91, be approved and warrants issued.

Second by Ganiere.

Ayes: Eichelkraut, Ganiere, Less and Mayor Aussem.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Commissioner Eichelkraut presented Resolution.

Moved by Commissioner Eichelkraut that a Resolution authorizing the execution of a memorandum of understanding between the City of Ottawa and Tri County Opportunities Council Community Services Block Grant Program, regarding NCAT, which has been on file for public inspection since February 21, 2023, be adopted.

Second by Ganiere.

Ayes: Eichelkraut, Ganiere, Less and Mayor Aussem.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Commissioner Eichelkraut presented Ordinance.

Moved by Commissioner Eichelkraut that an Ordinance providing for public transportation in the City of Ottawa, LaSalle County, Illinois, be received and placed on file for public inspection.

Second by Ganiere.

Ayes: Eichelkraut, Ganiere, Less and Mayor Aussem.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Commissioner Eichelkraut presented Resolution.

Moved by Commissioner Eichelkraut that a Resolution authorizing the execution and amendment of the Federal 5311 grant agreement, regarding NCAT, be received and placed on file for public inspection.

Second by Ganiere.

Ayes: Eichelkraut, Ganiere, Less and Mayor Aussem.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Commissioner Eichelkraut presented Resolution.

Moved by Commissioner Eichelkraut that a Resolution authorizing acceptance of the Special Warranty for the Section 5311 grant for NCAT, be received and placed on file for public inspection.

Second by Ganiere.

Ayes: Eichelkraut, Ganiere, Less and Mayor Aussem.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Commissioner Pearson arrived at 7:07 p.m.

Commissioner Eichelkraut presented Ordinance.

Moved by Commissioner Eichelkraut that an Ordinance authorizing and providing for the issue of not to exceed \$1,550,000.00 General Obligation Bonds (alternate revenue source), Series 2023, of the City of Ottawa, LaSalle County, Illinois, for the purpose of paying the costs of certain capital improvements in and for the City, including a new swimming pool, prescribing the details of said bonds, providing for the pledge of certain revenues to the payment of principal and interest if the pledged revenues are insufficient to make such payment and authorizing the sale of said bonds to Bernardi Securities Inc., be received and placed on file for public inspection.

Second by Ganiere.

Ayes: Eichelkraut, Ganiere, Pearson, and Mayor Aussem.

Nays: Less. Motion carried.

Commissioner Ganiere presented Resolution.

Moved by Commissioner Ganiere that a Resolution authorizing the execution of license agreement #5486 between the City of Ottawa and the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, regarding a water main in the I & M Canal, which has been on file for public inspection since February 21, 2023, be adopted.

Second by Eichelkraut.

Ayes: Eichelkraut, Ganiere, Pearson, Less and Mayor Aussem.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Commissioner Pearson presented Proposal.

Moved by Commissioner Pearson that the Proposal received from Liebhart Construction Inc. in the amount of \$13,900.00 to rebuild the roof deck at the Main Fire and Police Station, be approved and paid for from the General Corporate Fund.

Second by Eichelkraut.

Ayes: Eichelkraut, Ganiere, Pearson, Less and Mayor Aussem.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Commissioner Pearson presented Quote.

Moved by Commissioner Pearson that the Quote received from Homer Tree Service Inc. in the amount of \$35,500.00 for the Green Street tree removal and tree trimming project, be approved and paid for from the Green Street grant funds.

Second by Less.

Ayes: Eichelkraut, Ganiere, Pearson, Less and Mayor Aussem.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Commissioner Less presented Report of Police Chief.

Moved by Commissioner Less that the Report of Police Chief, Brent A. Roalson, for the month of February 2023, be received and placed on file.

Second by Pearson.

Ayes: Eichelkraut, Ganiere, Pearson, Less and Mayor Aussem.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Commissioner Less presented Report of Fire Chief.

Moved by Commissioner Less that the Report of Fire Chief, Brian Bressner, for the month of February 2023, be received and placed on file.

Second by Pearson.

Ayes: Eichelkraut, Ganiere, Pearson, Less and Mayor Aussem.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Aussem presented Report of Registrar.

Moved by Mayor Aussem that the Report of Registrar, Shelly L. Munks, for the month of February 2023, be received and placed on file.

Second by Eichelkraut.

Ayes: Eichelkraut, Ganiere, Pearson, Less and Mayor Aussem.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Aussem presented Report of Parking Administration.

Moved by Mayor Aussem that the Report of the Parking Administration Department showing fines collected of \$820.00 for the month of February 2023, be received and placed on file.

Second by Pearson.

Ayes: Eichelkraut, Ganiere, Pearson, Less and Mayor Aussem.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Aussem presented Report of Building Official.

Moved by Mayor Aussem that the Report of Building Official, Mathew W. Stafford, for the month of February 2023, be received and placed on file.

Second by Pearson.

Ayes: Eichelkraut, Ganiere, Pearson, Less and Mayor Aussem.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Aussem presented Resolution.

Moved by Mayor Aussem that a Resolution authorizing the execution of a grant agreement between the City of Ottawa and the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity for the removal and replacement of watermains, which has been on file for public inspection since February 21, 2023, be adopted.

Second by Eichelkraut.

Ayes: Eichelkraut, Ganiere, Pearson, Less and Mayor Aussem.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Aussem presented Resolution.

Moved by Mayor Aussem that a Resolution authorizing the execution of an annexation agreement between the City of Ottawa and Gary D. Nelson and Kathy Lee Nelson for property located at 10 Airport Road, which has been on file for public inspection since February 21, 2023, be adopted.

Second by Pearson.

Ayes: Eichelkraut, Ganiere, Pearson, Less and Mayor Aussem.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Aussem presented Resolution.

Moved by Mayor Aussem that a Resolution authorizing the execution of a memorandum of understanding between the City of Ottawa and AFSCME Local 2819, regarding training and pay, which has been on file for public inspection since February 21, 2023, be adopted.

Second by Pearson.

Ayes: Eichelkraut, Ganiere, Pearson, Less and Mayor Aussem.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Aussem presented Resolution.

Moved by Mayor Aussem that a Resolution authorizing the execution of an agreement between the City of Ottawa, Corey J. Rickey, and Amy L. Rickey, regarding the Green Street project, which has been on file for public inspection since February 21, 2023, be adopted.

Second by Ganiere.

Ayes: Eichelkraut, Ganiere, Pearson, Less and Mayor Aussem.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Aussem presented Resolution.

Moved by Mayor Aussem that a Resolution authorizing the execution of an agreement between the City of Ottawa and Steve LeGare, Trustee, regarding the Green Street project, which has been on file for public inspection since February 21, 2023, be adopted. Second by Pearson.

Ayes: Eichelkraut, Ganiere, Pearson, Less and Mayor Aussem.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Aussem presented Resolution.

Moved by Mayor Aussem that a Resolution authorizing the execution of a memorandum of understanding between the City of Ottawa and Surf Air Wireless LLC, regarding the storage of materials, be received and placed on file for public inspection.

Second by Ganiere.

Ayes: Eichelkraut, Ganiere, Pearson, Less and Mayor Aussem.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Aussem presented Resolution.

Moved by Mayor Aussem that a Resolution appointing Kimberly Czyz, term to expire July 2025, to the Civil Service Commission, be adopted.

Second by Eichelkraut.

Ayes: Eichelkraut, Ganiere, Pearson, Less and Mayor Aussem.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Aussem presented Ordinance.

Moved by Mayor Aussem that an Ordinance approving and authorizing a second amendment to the tax increment financing district redevelopment agreement between the City of Ottawa, American Commercial Bank & Trust National Association, the Young Mens' Christian Association of Ottawa, IL, an IL not for profit corporation, and the Ottawa YMCA Foundation, be received and placed on file for public inspection.

Second by Ganiere.

Ayes: Eichelkraut, Ganiere, Pearson, Less and Mayor Aussem.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Aussem presented Resolution.

Moved by Mayor Aussem that a Resolution authorizing the execution of a lease agreement between the City of Ottawa and the Young Mens' Christian Association of Ottawa, regarding the management and operations of the City of Ottawa pool facilities, be received and placed on file for public inspection.

Second by Eichelkraut

Ayes: Eichelkraut, Ganiere, Pearson, Less and Mayor Aussem.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Aussem presented Proclamation.

Moved by Mayor Aussem that a Proclamation disseminating the information that Habitat for Humanity of LaSalle, Burerau, and Putnam Counties is accepting applications for its 2023 house builds, be adopted.

Second by Eichelkraut.

Ayes: Eichelkraut, Ganiere, Pearson, Less and Mayor Aussem.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Aussem addressed the warehouse facility on the South side. He is taking a tour tomorrow, March 8, at 10:00 a.m. and added that all shifts of our Fire Department are as well.

Mayor Aussem presented motion to adjourn.

Moved by Mayor Aussem that this regular meeting be adjourned.

Second by Less.

Ayes: Eichelkraut, Ganiere, Pearson, Less and Mayor Aussem.

Nays: None. Motion carried. Council adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Shelly L. Munks*

Shelly L. Munks City Clerk