

Ottawa, Illinois  
August 29, 2023

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

Present: Mayor Robert Hasty, Commissioners Wayne A. Eichelkraut Jr., Thomas G. Ganiere, Marla K. Pearson, and Brent F. Barron.

Absent: None.

A public hearing was held for the Community Development Block Grant Coronavirus Business Resiliency Program Grant. Kevin Lindeman of NCICG, explained that 16 businesses applied for grant funds. The grant will reimburse businesses for durable permanent or semi-permanent equipment purchased or rented to prevent, prepare for, or respond to COVID-19. The total amount of funds requested is \$213,947.25 and the program is funded by Title 1 of the Federal housing and Community Development Act of 1974 as amended. Lynne Schlink asked if we knew how long it would be before the request was accepted? With no one else publicly commenting, the Mayor declared the hearing closed at 7:13 p.m.

Commissioner Eichelkraut presented Biweekly Salary Payroll.

Moved by Commissioner Eichelkraut that the Biweekly Salary Payroll of August 18, 2023, in the amount of \$532,036.57, be approved and warrants issued.

Second by Pearson.

Ayes: Eichelkraut, Ganiere, Pearson, Barron, and Mayor Hasty.

Nays: None.

Commissioner Eichelkraut announced that the Music in the Park events in September are from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m., an hour earlier than the previous ones.

Commissioner Ganiere presented Resolution.

Moved by Commissioner Ganiere that a Resolution accepting the SAFER Grant for fiscal year 2022 in the amount of \$713,849.49 to assist with staffing at the Ottawa Fire Department, be adopted.

Second by Pearson.

Commissioner Ganiere added that the Grant will pay for 100% of wages and benefits for 3 firefighters for 3 years.

Ayes: Eichelkraut, Ganiere, Pearson, Barron, and Mayor Hasty.

Nays: None.

Commissioner Ganiere presented Resolution.

Moved by Commissioner Ganiere that a Resolution authorizing the execution of an intergovernmental agreement between the City of Ottawa and the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services, for 2024 supplement ambulance rates, be received and placed on file for public inspection.

Second by Barron.

Ayes: Eichelkraut, Ganiere, Pearson, Barron, and Mayor Hasty.

Nays: None.

Commissioner Pearson presented Resolution.

Moved by Commissioner Pearson that a Resolution authorizing the execution of a proposal for professional engineering services by Chamin & Associates Inc., for the Fox River Bridge utilities design, which has been on file for public inspection since August 15, 2023, be adopted.

Second by Eichelkraut.

Ayes: Eichelkraut, Ganiere, Pearson, Barron, and Mayor Hasty.

Nays: None.

Commissioner Pearson presented Quote.

Moved by Commissioner Pearson that the Quote received from U. S. Tennis Court Construction in the amount of \$46,150.00 for the Peck Park pickleball courts, be approved and paid for from the General Corporate Fund.

Second by Eichelkraut.

Ayes: Eichelkraut, Ganiere, Pearson, Barron, and Mayor Hasty.

Nays: None.

Commissioner Pearson gave an update on Peck Park, noting that in the Spring the playground equipment and splash pad will be installed. She also added that this is the last weekend the pool will be open.

Commissioner Barron announced that a water survey is being sent out in water bills. The insert is user friendly and can be completed by simply taking a cell phone picture of your water meter and the lines leading into and out of the meter. He also added that the Joliet Street water main replacement project will be beginning.

Mayor Hasty presented Resolution.

Moved by Mayor Hasty that a Resolution approving and authorizing the execution of employment agreements and addendums for appointed City Officials, which has been on file for public inspection since August 15, 2023, be adopted.

Second by Ganiere.

Ayes: Eichelkraut, Ganiere, Pearson, Barron, and Mayor Hasty.

Nays: None.

Mayor Hasty presented Resolution.

Moved by Mayor Hasty that a Resolution authorizing the execution of a renewal agreement between the City of Ottawa and Medcom Benefit Solutions, for 2023-2025 ACA reporting, which has been on file for public inspection since August 15, 2023, be adopted.

Second by Pearson.

Ayes: Eichelkraut, Ganiere, Pearson, Barron, and Mayor Hasty.

Nays: None.

Mayor Hasty presented Resolution.

Moved by Mayor Hasty that a Resolution authorizing the execution of a master services agreement between the City of Ottawa and Premise Health Employer Solutions LLC, for employee wellness screenings, which has been on file for public inspection since August 15, 2023, be adopted.

Second by Eichelkraut.

Ayes: Eichelkraut, Ganiere, Pearson, Barron, and Mayor Hasty.

Nays: None.

Mayor Hasty presented Resolution.

Moved by Mayor Hasty that a Resolution authorizing the execution of an access to property and demolition agreement between the City of Ottawa and Katharine A. Orsini, for property located at 600 W. Madison Street, which has been on file for public inspection since August 15, 2023, be adopted.

Second by Ganiere.

Ayes: Eichelkraut, Ganiere, Pearson, Barron, and Mayor Hasty.

Nays: None.

Mayor Hasty presented Resolution.

Moved by Mayor Hasty that a Resolution authorizing the execution of an agreement between the City of Ottawa, Daniel and Cathy Kain, and James and Kathleen Vandervort, regarding Kain's Deer Timber Subdivision Phase 2 Outlot 1 and maintenance thereof, which has been on file for public inspection since August 15, 2023, be adopted.

Second by Eichelkraut.

Ayes: Eichelkraut, Ganiere, Pearson, Barron, and Mayor Hasty.

Nays: None.

Mayor Hasty presented Resolution.

Moved by Mayor Hasty that a Resolution of Support for the Community Development Block Grant Coronavirus Program Grant, be adopted.

Second by Barron.

Ayes: Eichelkraut, Ganiere, Pearson, Barron, and Mayor Hasty.

Nays: None.

Mayor Hasty presented Resolution.

Moved by Mayor Hasty that a Resolution authorizing legal action against Simon Enterprises LLC for property located at 205-207 W. Main Street, be adopted.

Second by Pearson.

Ayes: Eichelkraut, Ganiere, Pearson, Barron, and Mayor Hasty.

Nays: None.

Mayor Hasty presented Quote.

Moved by Mayor Hasty that the Quote received from Grand Rapids Enterprises Inc. in the amount of \$28,935.00 for the demolition of 600 W. Madison Street, be approved and paid for from the Grant proceeds.

Second by Ganiere.

Ayes: Eichelkraut, Ganiere, Pearson, Barron, and Mayor Hasty.

Nays: None.

Mayor Hasty presented motion to adjourn.

Moved by Mayor Hasty that this special meeting be adjourned.

Second by Eichelkraut.

Ayes: Eichelkraut, Ganiere, Pearson, Barron, and Mayor Hasty.

Nays: None. Council adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Shelly J. Munks*

City Clerk