

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

Present: Mayor Robert Hasty, Commissioners Thomas G. Ganiere, Marla K. Pearson and Brent F. Barron (via phone).

Absent: Wayne A. Eichelkraut Jr.

A public hearing was held regarding the Operating Budget for fiscal year 26. City treasurer, Don Harris explained that the budget was being passed with a \$1.2M deficit. This deficit will be paid with reserves. Commissioner Ganiere added that there are projects budgeted on each side of the budget, which may not get done. The Mayor added that we are waiting on federal money right now for grant reimbursements. Commissioner Barron asked if any changes were made. With no one from the public commenting, the public hearing was declared closed by the Mayor at 8:02 a.m.

Commissioner Ganiere presented Resolution.

Moved by Commissioner Ganiere that a Resolution authorizing the execution of a lease agreement and an equipment maintenance agreement between the City of Ottawa and Marco Technologies LLC, for a copy machine for the Police Department, which has been on file for public inspection since April 15, 2025, be adopted.

Second by Pearson.

Ayes: 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 from Midwest Testing Services Inc., for East Stevenson Road's geotechnical report, which has been on file for public inspection since April 15, 2025, be adopted.

Second by Ganiere.

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

Nays: None.

Mayor Hasty presented Fiscal Year end expense report.

Moved by Mayor Hasty that the end of the fiscal year expense report dated April 29, 2025, showing expenses in the amount of \$116,433.55, be approved and warrants issued.

Second by Ganiere.

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

Nays: None.

Mayor Hasty presented Ordinance.

Moved by Mayor Hasty that an Ordinance adopting the Operating Budget for the fiscal year commencing May 1, 2025, which has been on file for public inspection since April 15, 2025, be passed and approved.

Second by Pearson.

Ayes: 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 to provide consulting services between the City of Ottawa and Retail Strategies LLC, for retail recruitment, which has been on file for public inspection since April 15, 2025, be adopted.

Second by Ganiere.

Ayes: Ganiere, Pearson, Barron and Mayor Hasty.

Nays: None.

Mayor Hasty presented Resolution.

Moved by Mayor Hasty that a Resolution authorizing the execution of an addendum to an employment agreement between the City of Ottawa and Alaina Iverson, which has been on file for public inspection since April 15, 2025, be adopted.

Second by Pearson.

Ayes: Ganiere, Pearson, Barron and Mayor Hasty.

Nays: None.

Mayor Hasty presented Resolution.

Moved by Mayor Hasty that a Resolution authorizing the execution of an amendment to the grant of easement agreement between the City of Ottawa, Corey Rickey, and Amy Rickey for property located at 1753 Green Street, which has been on file for public inspection since April 15, 2025, be adopted.

Second by Ganiere.

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

Nays: None.

Mayor Hasty presented Proclamation.

Moved by Mayor Hasty that a Proclamation declaring Saturday, May 3, 2025, as Tom Nauman Day in the City of Ottawa, be adopted.

Second by Pearson.

Ayes: Ganiere, Pearson, Barron and Mayor Hasty.

Nays: None.

Commissioner Ganiere presented motion to adjourn.

Moved by Commissioner Ganiere that this special meeting be adjourned.

Second by Pearson.

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

Nays: None. Council adjourned at 8:08 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Shelly L. Roalson*

City Clerk