

**CITY OF GRAYVILLE
STATE OF ILLINOIS
COUNTIES OF WHITE AND EDWARDS
APRIL 11, 2022**

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The City of Grayville City Council was called to order on Monday, April 11, 2022 at 7:00 P.M., by Mayor Travis Thompson with the following members present at roll call: Commissioners Jordan, Baldwin, Howell, and James. Also present for the meeting were, City Clerk JoEllen Seil, City Treasurer Sharon Walden, City Attorney Jay Walden, Police Chief Hatcher, and citizen Andy Brock.

CONSENT AGENDA: Mayor Thompson asked for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Jordan made a motion to approve the consent agenda. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jordan. Yeas: Commissioners Baldwin, Howell, James, and Mayor Thompson. Nays: None. Commissioner Jordan voted Present. The motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Sharon Walden read the Treasurer's Report. She reported \$1,898,634.13 in Restricted Funds, \$935,328.25 in Investments and \$288,595.98 in cash available for operations for a total balance of \$3,122,558.36. Commissioner Baldwin made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Howell. The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

PURCHASE ORDER APPROVALS: There were no purchase orders for approval.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS: Andy Brock, representing the Friends of Grayville said the downtown pavilion is in service and ready. He said landscaping is planned for early spring.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT: Police Chief Hatcher read his monthly report. There were no questions for the Chief.

CITY ATTORNEY: Attorney Jay Walden said late today he sent an email about an issue he is dealing with and asked for thoughts and input before sending out a response.

COMMISSIONER BALDWIN: Commissioner Baldwin had nothing to discuss at this time.

COMMISSIONER JORDAN: Commissioner Jordan said the Lions Club will be holding their pancake breakfast on Saturday, April 18th beginning at 7:00 A.M. Commissioner Jordan said someone has dumped dry wall and metal at the brush dump. He said privileges will be lost if this continues.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL: Commissioner Howell had nothing to report at this time.

COMMISSIONER JAMES: Commissioner James had nothing to report at this time.

MAYOR THOMPSON: Mayor Thompson had nothing to report at this time.

OLD BUSINESS

WATER FILTRATION PLANT – ANNOUNCE SPECIAL MEETING: Mayor Thompson announced a special meeting of the council on Thursday, April 14th, 7:00 P.M. at the Albion City Hall to discuss a water filtration plant.

GRAYVILLE WELCOME SIGNS: Mayor Thompson said more examples have been received and said the LED signs are more expensive. He passed around the examples and commented on the brick one he would recommend. He said the sign company is happy to come and discuss this with the council.

2nd READING ORDINANCE NO. 924 APPROVING REAL ESTATE SALE: Mayor Thompson presented Ordinance No. 924 Approving Real Estate Sale to Brent Speir. Commissioner Jordan made a motion to approve suspend discussion on Ordinance NO. 924. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Baldwin. The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote. Commissioner Jordan then made a motion to approve Ordinance NO. 924 for the Sale of Real Estate. Commissioner Howell seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

TIF AGREEMENT – MANDY’S RESTAURANT: Attorney Jay Walden said he prepared the documents and asked if there were any issues or changes that need to be made. Commissioner Baldwin said the work to be done on the building would be good in the long run and made a motion to approve the TIF #2 Agreement for Mandy’s Restaurant, Afrim and Lindita Zilbeari. Commissioner Jordan seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

NEW BUSINESS

APPROVE FY 2022-2023 BUDGET: With information being presented at the Budget Public Hearing just ahead of the meeting, Commissioner David Jordan made a motion to approve the FY 2022-2023 Budget. Commissioner James seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

BUY U BOUTIQUE TIF AGREEMENT AND REVOLVING LOAN: Attorney Jay Walden said he prepared documents after it was deferred last meeting. Commissioner Baldwin made a motion to approve the Buy U Boutique request for revolving loan and the TIF agreement. Commissioner Jordan seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

POLICE VEHICLE: Chief Hatcher said the state bid for a 2022 truck through Morrow Brothers is \$38,985.00. He said they would honor the price and said they have some on order but are not yet in. He said this is cheaper than the Explorer. He said it will cost an additional \$4,000.00 for the lights, title and license making the price \$46,050.00, but the dealership can do all of the work in-house. After discussion, Commissioner Jordan made a motion to approve the purchase of a police vehicle. Commissioner Baldwin seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

IEPA WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT ENERGY EFFICIENCY GRANT: Commissioner Howell said an evaluation was done on the Sewer Lagoon and they gave a handful of recommendations to lower operating costs which would result in a \$16,000.00 per year savings in the electrical cost. He said the IEPA has a grant to fund the recommendations which include VFDs. After discussion, Commissioner Howell made a motion to apply for the IEPA Energy Efficiency Grant which is an 80/20 grant in the total project amount of \$56,000.00 with \$11,200.00 being the city’s part. Commissioner Jordan seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

SWIMMING POOL – MANAGER, LIFEGUARDS, CONCESSIONS: Treasurer Wadlen said the deadline for applications will be for the next meeting. She said there are eight more who will take the class and try to get their lifeguard certifications.

POLICY ON TREE REMOVALS: Commissioner David Jordan said with more asking, he thought it was a good idea to come up with a policy. He suggested asking for two bids and asked for ideas on putting together a policy. Mayor Thompson agreed it is needed.

SEWER UPGRADE PROJECT – ARPA/SLRF: Commissioner Jordan said a report has to be submitted on the 29th for the funding and said the sewer project is estimated at \$500,000.00 and the city will only get \$213,000.00. He said we can't afford the \$300,000.00. He said for reporting purposes, we need to know what direction to go.

TRASH PICK-UP DAY CHANGE: Mayor Thompson said trash pick-up day is now on Thursday and reminded all to place their trash out on Wednesday night. Attorney Walden said the day of pick up is at the discretion of the contractor and does not require a vote of approval.

PURCHASE MOWER ATTACHMENT: In the absence of Utility Manager Scott Irvine, Commissioner Baldwin made a motion to table the purchase of a mower attachment for the mini excavator. Commissioner Jordan seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

ADJOURN: Since there was no further business to discuss, Commissioner Howell made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner James. The motion carried.

Approved: April 25, 2022

YEA

Mayor Thompson

YEA

Commissioner Baldwin

YEA

Commissioner Jordan

ABSENT

Commissioner Howell

YEA

Commissioner James

ATTEST:

Jo Ellen Seil

City Clerk