

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE LA SALLE CITY COUNCIL  
April 22, 2019**

**A regular meeting of the La Salle City Council of La Salle, Illinois was held Monday, April 22, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. with Mayor Jeff Grove presiding with proper notice being duly and continuously posted.**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL**

**Present-** Alderman Demes, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Sellett, Schneider

**Absent:** Alderman Bacidore, Alderman Herndon

A quorum was present.

Mayor Grove thanked interim Third Ward Brian Sellett for his service over the last few months upon the resignation of John Duncan III. He thanked him for his service to La Salle and for doing a great job as interim Alderman.

Mayor Grove also recognized Mark Schneider for his service as Alderman of the Fourth Ward for the past eight years. Mayor Grove said that the City would not be in the position it is today without him. He added that being the last alderman to vote many times put Mark in a tough spot, but he was never afraid to look at issues head on and vote in the manner best for his constituents. He continued by saying that Mark always took the time to weigh out every side of a vote. Mayor Grove thanked Mark for this passion for the City of La Salle, for and his involvement in the community and for the sacrifices Mark's wife and family made during the years he served as alderman.

Mayor Grove commended all who ran in the recent election. He stated that it was a great race where everyone kept to the issues.

**OATHS OF OFFICE AND SEATING OF COUNCIL MEMBERS**

City Clerk Carrie Brown swore in First Ward Alderman Diz Demes, Second Ward Alderman Jerry Reynolds, Third Ward Alderman Joe Jeppson and Fourth Ward Alderman Jordan Crane.

**ROLL CALL**

**Present-** Alderman Demes, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Crane

**Absent:** Alderman Bacidore, Alderman Herndon

A quorum was present.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Moved by Alderman Demes and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to accept and place on file minutes of the April 9, 2019 Regular City Council meeting. Each and every alderman has a copy.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

**PETITIONS**

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to begin the process regarding the petitions and requests of Utica Silica, LLC for annexation, rezoning, and granting of Special Use Permit for mining regarding certain real estate, including premises commonly known as 753 N. 3029th Road, Utica, Illinois 61373 PIN # 12-32-404-000 and also regarding entering into an Annexation Agreement regarding the above real estate and related matters. Each and every alderman has a copy.

**ROLL CALL: AYE:** Alderman Demes, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Crane

NAY: None Absent: Alderman Bacidore, Alderman Herndon Abstain: None

**Motion Carried 6-0**

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Ptak to refer the Petition of Utica Silica, LLC for the rezoning from M-1 to M-2 and the granting of Special Use Permits for mining for three parcels located in the vicinity of 727 N. 3029th Road, LaSalle, Illinois having PIN #'s 12-32-302-000, #12-32-415-000, 12-32-412-000 to the Planning Commission. Each and every alderman has a copy.

**ROLL CALL: AYE:** Alderman Demes, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Crane

NAY: None Absent: Alderman Bacidore, Alderman Herndon Abstain: None

**Motion Carried 6-0**

Moved by Alderman Demes and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to grant the request from Caryn Brown on behalf of the IV Dolphins Swim Team to hold a Tag Day collection on October 4-6, 2019 at the intersection of 11th and Bucklin. Each and every alderman has a copy.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to grant the request from the La Salle National Little League Board of Directors to renew for one year signboard advertising totaling \$100 with proceeds going to La Salle Little League Baseball. Each and every alderman has a copy.

**ROLL CALL: AYE:** Alderman Demes, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Crane

NAY: None Absent: Alderman Bacidore, Alderman Herndon Abstain: None

**Motion Carried 6-0**

**REPORT OF CITY OFFICERS**

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Lavieri to accept and place on file the Treasurer's Report for March 2019 showing total cash balances in La Salle State Bank of \$8,571,227.23 and in Hometown National Bank of \$2,415,195.34. Each and every alderman has a copy.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to accept and place on file the Illinois Department of Revenue Report showing sales tax collected for January 2019 of \$61,457.89 and Home Rule Sales Tax of \$52,904.93 and non-Home Rule Sales Tax of \$45.48 for a total of \$114,408.30. Each and every alderman has a copy.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

**SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

Attorney McPhedran announced that in regard to the recommendation of the Planning Commission regarding the request of Adam Kamphaus owner of the Sunken Ship Tattoo for a Special Use Permit to operate a tattoo parlor at 210 Marquette Street, which premises are

currently zoned C-3, there is no formal recommendation at this time. The hearing was recessed and will reconvene to consider the matter on May 6, 2019 at 5:15 p.m. to allow for additional posting of a notice on the property as required by City Ordinance.

### **STANDING COMMITTEES**

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to accept the recommendation of the Streets, Alleys and Traffic Committee and grant the request of Bob Jansen, of Rojian Properties, LLC to designate an area in front of 842 Second Street as a no parking/loading zone. Each and every alderman has a copy.

**ROLL CALL:** AYE: Alderman Demes, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Crane

NAY: None Absent: Alderman Bacidore, Alderman Herndon Abstain: None

**Motion Carried 6-0**

### **APPOINTMENTS**

Moved by Alderman Reynolds and seconded by Alderman Demes to approve the Mayor's appointments.

**ROLL CALL:** AYE: Alderman Demes, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Crane

NAY: None Absent: Alderman Bacidore, Alderman Herndon Abstain: None

**Motion Carried 6-0**

**Appointments:**  
**Planning Commission**  
Leah Inman to 2020  
Bart Hartauer to 2023

**Parks and Recreation Board**  
Brian Zeller-May 2024

**Library Board to May 1, 2022**  
Joanne Benassi  
Cindy Arbisi  
Carol Pierson  
Mary Claire Klinefelter

**Police and Fire Commission**  
Tom Pigati to 2021  
Dick Martuzzo to 2022

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to authorize, pay and place on file Pay Estimate #2 and Final to Universal Asphalt & Excavating, Inc. totaling \$16,929.50 for the 4th Street Storm Sewer from Marquette Street to Joliet Street project and related matters. Each and every alderman has a copy.

**ROLL CALL:** AYE: Alderman Demes, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Crane

NAY: None Absent: Alderman Bacidore, Alderman Herndon Abstain: None

**Motion Carried 6-0**

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Demes to accept the Engineer's recommendation and accept the quote of Cruz Concrete for decorative sidewalk improvements totaling \$86,722. Each and every alderman has a copy.

**ROLL CALL:** AYE: Alderman Demes, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Crane

NAY: None Absent: Alderman Bacidore, Alderman Herndon Abstain: None

**Motion Carried 6-0**

Quotes: Cruz Concrete  
\$86,722  
Universal Asphalt &  
Excavating, Inc. \$89,031

City Engineer Brown explained that the County does a road program every year. When the City annexed property to the east it is an automatic jurisdictional transfer from township to City. The City of La Salle is more or less piggy backing off the County program which needs to be done every 5-7 years. The County went out for bids. The City of La Salle contacted the low bidder and requested a proposal from them to do the work at the same time as the County program. The proposal from Pavement Maintenance Services was lower than others received, so the City Engineer felt confident that we received a lower price than we would have had we gone out to bid. Prior to voting, Attorney McPhedran stated this will take a 2/3 vote or 6 votes to pass. The Mayor cannot vote.

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to accept the proposal from Pavement Maintenance Services regarding seal coating (oil and chip) of the rural roadways within the City of La Salle. Each and every alderman has a copy.

**ROLL CALL:** AYE: Alderman Demes, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Crane

NAY: None Absent: Alderman Bacidore, Alderman Herndon Abstain: None

**Motion Carried 6-0**

Brief discussion followed about the possibility of using oil and chip in our alleys. It was concluded that oil and chip is not the best option.

Katherine Koyak stated that she was contacted by residents requesting a street light in the area near the VFW. She stated that she drove the area and it is very dark.

After brief discussion, it was moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Lavieri to approve the installation of a new wood light pole on Donahue Street between Edwards Avenue and 24th Street in the vicinity of the VFW.

**ROLL CALL:** AYE: Alderman Demes, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Crane

NAY: None Absent: Alderman Bacidore, Alderman Herndon Abstain: None

**Motion Carried 6-0****ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS**

It was clarified that the annual business license will be \$52.00 and there will be a \$25.00 fee for each pedi-cab.

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Demes to approve and place on file

**Ordinance 2807:** An Ordinance Further Amending the La Salle City Code to Allow for and Establish Regulation of Pedi-Cabs. Each and every alderman has a copy.

**ROLL CALL:** AYE: Alderman Demes, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Crane

NAY: None Absent: Alderman Bacidore, Alderman Herndon Abstain: None

**Motion Carried 6-0**

**Ordinance 2807: An Ordinance Further Amending the La Salle City Code to Allow for and Establish Regulation of Pedi-Cabs**

**COMMENTS**

Jeff Ellis of La Salle State Bank announced that the bank will be celebrating its 125<sup>th</sup> Year in Business in the City of La Salle. A community wide celebration will be held on Saturday, August 24, 2019 from 4-10 p.m. The Larkin and Moran Brothers Irish Band and a U-2 Tribute Band will play. There will be a beer vendor and the LBA will supply bartenders. All proceeds from beer sales will go to the LBA. The event will be contained to the parking lot.

Mr. Bakr resident of the northwest corner of 9<sup>th</sup> and Bucklin asked if it would be possible to have portions of the curb replaced on the south side of 9<sup>th</sup> Street between La Fayette and Bucklin. Brief discussion followed. The City Engineer will look into this further. Mayor Grove thanked Mr. Bakr for bringing his concerns before the Council.

Mayor Grove welcomed the two new aldermen to the council and appreciated how engaged they are already.

City Engineer Brown stated that he was contacted by AT & T about obtaining a permit to directional bore in the vicinity of the Flying J entrance. The permit was originally submitted in March. Due to some miscommunication the permit has not on a meeting agenda for approval. AT & T would like to start work April 5, 2019 which is prior to our next council meeting. A straw vote was taken and all aldermen were in favor of granting the permit. A confirmation of the straw vote will be taken at the May 6, 2019 meeting.

Mayor Grove announced the Boys Baseball/Girls Softball Parade will be on Sunday, April 28, 2019 at 3:00 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS**

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Lavieri that bills Total Submitted: \$310,698.89 (Total Payroll \$161,938.02, Bills to be Paid \$121,472.93, Total Bills Paid \$27,287.74) be accepted, paid and placed on file. Each and every alderman has a copy.

**ROLL CALL:** AYE: Alderman Demes, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Crane

NAY: None Absent: Alderman Bacidore, Alderman Herndon Abstain: None

**Motion Carried 6-0**

Katherine Koyak formally announced that Dollar General will be coming to La Salle and located at Route 351 and 24<sup>th</sup> Street. She also added that a meeting to kick-off the Farmer's Market will be held on Wednesday, April 24 at 6 p.m. at City Hall. Any interested vendors are encouraged to attend.

Superintendent Bumgarner reminded residents not to put grass clippings into the street. It can create a hazard and leads to sewer problems.

Building Inspector Andy Bacidore said that the five houses approved for demolition are down. The demolition of these properties will be paid through grants monies.

Moved by Alderman Reynolds and seconded by Alderman Demes to adjourn the meeting.  
Voice vote, all ayes. Motion is carried.

**ADJOURNED 7:14 p.m.**

  
Carrie Brown, City Clerk