

Finance Committee
September 19, 2022
6:00pm - City Hall Council Chambers

Chairman Ptak Called the Meeting to order at 6:00pm

ROLL CALL

Present: Chairman Ptak, Aldermen Thompson, Lavieri, Jeppson, Herndon

Absent: NONE

Others Present: Deputy Clerk Brent Bader, Finance Director John Duncan, Alderman Crane, Alderman Reynolds, Economic Development Director Curt Bedei, Director of Public Works Patrick Watson, City Attorney James McPhedran, City Treasurer Virginia Kochanowski

A quorum was present.

Moved by Alderman Thompson and seconded by Alderman Lavieri to approve and place on file the minutes of the Finance Committee for September 6, 2022.

Each and every aldermen has a copy.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

There were no questions on the bills.

The Finance Committee began discussion in regards to a donation to the Perfectly Flawed Foundation.

Alderman Lavieri mentioned that Perfectly Flawed Foundation does provide a great program for the area. Alderman Crane assumed that the discussion of a donation would go toward the golf outing. Committee did agree that the donation could go to whatever the Foundation felt fit.

Moved by Alderman Jeppson and seconded by Alderman Lavieri to approve a \$500 donation to the Perfectly Flawed Foundation.

ROLL CALL

AYE: Chairman Ptak, Alderman Thompson, Lavieri, Jeppson, Herndon

NAY: None **Absent:** None **Abstain:** None

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0

Alderman Lavieri began the discussion in regards to the resolution on the City Council agenda for financial participation in the application to the Federal Rail Administration's Rail Corridor Identification and Development Program for the Peoria to Chicago Region. Deputy Clerk Bader mentioned that this did come to the Council in resolution form but this is a topic that can be discussed with the Finance committee. Economic Development Director Bedei gave a brief summary of what he knows in regards to the resolution and NCICG. The Amount that was quoted was \$8,000, which is an amount based off of the population of LaSalle. NCICG was hoping for this resolution to be passed by the end of October. The \$8,000 is mentioned on page 1 of the resolution.

The committee agreed to delay this resolution for two weeks to have more of a discussion at the next meeting.

Alderman Reynolds mentioned that he will be speaking with the Mayor of Peoria soon in regards to a more in depth conversation of what is planned and expected from this railway.

There was a study done 10 to 15 years ago. The city also gave money to this study then.

Bedei mentioned that NCICG was looking for a donation from Peru, LaSalle, Utica, Ottawa, Morris. This was the discussion that was had from a meeting with the surrounding areas along with the dollar amount for each city based on population. Bedei also mentioned that by passing the resolution, it would show the city's support and participation.

There were no more questions or comments from the public.

Moved by Alderman Thompson and seconded by Alderman Jeppson to adjourn the meeting.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Chairman Ptak adjourned the meeting at 6:12pm

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Amy Quinn". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Amy Quinn, City Clerk