

**WEST FRANKFORT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**  
**TUESDAY, MAY 14, 2019**

1. MAYOR JORDAN CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 6:00 P.M. REQUESTING A ROLL CALL. ALL COMMISSIONERS WERE IN ATTENDANCE, ALONG WITH THE CITY ATTORNEY AND CITY CLERK.
  
2. MAYOR JORDAN ASKED FOR APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE APRIL 23, 2019 COUNCIL MEETING AND THE APRIL 29, 2019 SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING. COMMISSIONER HARKINS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SIMPSON. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.
  
3. MAYOR JORDAN NEXT ASKED FOR APPROVAL TO PAY CITY BILLS AND PAYROLL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$434,073.72. COMMISSIONER SIMPSON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.
  
4. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION TO APPOINT THE CHIEF OF POLICE TO THE CITY OF WEST FRANKFORT POLICE DEPARTMENT. THE MAYOR STATED, WITH A VERY HIGH RECOMMENDATION, IT WOULD BE HIS HONOR TO APPOINT JOHN PRUDENT. COMMISSIONER HARKINS ADDED THAT JOHN PRUDNET WILL FILL THE BILL VERY WELL. COMMISSIONER HARKINS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SIMPSON. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.
  
5. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF RESOLUTIONS APPOINTING SUPERVISORY POSITIONS WITHIN THE CITY OF WEST FRANKFORT. THE MAYOR STATED THAT WE HAVE AN EXCELLENT TEAM. COMMISSIONER SIMPSON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WARREN. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

6. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF A PROPOSED AMENDED COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND LABORERS LOCAL 773/ WATER MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT TO COVER THE PERIOD OF MARCH 1, 2018 THROUGH FEBRUARY 28, 2022. THE MAYOR STATED THE CHANGES TO THE CONTRACTS. COMMISSIONER SIMPSON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WARREN. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.
7. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF A PROPOSED AMENDED COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND LABORERS LOCAL 773/STREET DEPARTMENT TO COVER THE PERIOD OF MARCH 1, 2018 THROUGH FEBRUARY 28, 2022. COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SIMPSON. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.
8. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION APPOINTING JOHN PRUDENT TO THE CITY OF WEST FRANKFORT POLICE PENSION BOARD. THE MAYOR STATED WHO THE BOARD IS MADE UP OF AND WHAT THEIR DUTIES ARE. COMMISSIONER HARKINS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.
9. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION APPOINTING BOARD MEMBERS TO THE WEST FRANKFORT LIBRARY BOARD. THE MAYOR STATED THAT WILLIAM LEVANTI, JILL PUETRO, AND AMY DURFEE WOULD BE APPOINTED AND TERM WILL EXPIRE IN 2022. COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SIMPSON. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.
10. THE NEXT ITEM WAS DISCUSSION, WITH POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING A DONATION TO THE BETA CLUB TO ATTEND THEIR NATIONAL COMPETITION. THE BETA CLUB OFFICERS GAVE A PRESENTATION ON THE AMOUNT THAT THEY HAVE IN THEIR

ACCOUNT AND THE AMOUNT THAT THEY STILL NEED. THE AMOUNT NEEDED IS \$5,079.00. COMMISSIONER SIMPSON STATED THAT WE COMMITTED TO PROVIDING WHAT THE BETA CLUB NEEDED FOR THEIR TRIP. THE MAYOR STATED HOW THE CITY COUNCIL STANDS BEHIND OUR COMMUNITY. COMMISSIONER SIMPSON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WARREN. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

11. THE NEXT ITEM WAS DISCUSSION, WITH POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING A DONATION TO THE HONORS SOCIAL STUDIES CLASS TO ASSIST IN THEIR EFFORTS TO HONOR THE VETERANS BY PLACING FLAGS ON THEIR GRAVES FOR MEMORIAL DAY. THE STUDENTS FROM THE CLASS GAVE A PRESENTATION ABOUT THEIR GROUP. THIS MATTER WAS TABLED.
12. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION FOR THE WEST FRANKFORT RECREATION ASSOCIATION TO SPONSOR THEIR ANNUAL MEMORIAL DAY PARADE ON MONDAY, MAY 27, 2019 AT 9:00 A.M. COMMISSIONER HARKINS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.
13. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND RELEASE WITH SOUTHERN ILLINOIS BANK. THE MAYOR STATED THAT THE COUNCIL ENTERED INTO A TIF AGREEMENT WITH MORTHLAND COLLEGE TO BORROW \$300,000.00 FROM SOUTHERN ILLINOIS BANK. WITH DISCUSSION AND NEGOTIATION THE AMOUNT THAT THE CITY WILL PAY THROUGH OUR TIF FUNDS IS \$140,000.00 MAYOR JORDAN ALSO STATED THE RENOVATIONS AND REVENUE THAT MORTHLAND COLLEGE DID BRING INTO OUR THROUGH ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. COMMISSIONER SIMPSON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HARKINS. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.
14. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO PAY AN INVOICE FROM BRUCKERT, GRUENKE & LONG, P.C. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$8,921.30 REGARDING SETTLEMENT/MEDIATION WITH SOUTHERN ILLINOIS

BANK. MAYOR JORDAN STATED THAT THIS WAS THE COST FOR THE NEGOTIATION WITH THE ATTORNEYS FOR THE SETTLEMENT. COMMISSIONER SIMPSON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

15. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING STANDARDS OF ETHICAL CONDUCT TO ADDRESS FRAUD, WASTE, AND ABUSE. THE MAYOR STATED THAT THIS IS IN REGARDS TO THE FOUR MILLION DOLLAR GRANT THAT WE RECEIVED. COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WARREN. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

16. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF A QUOTE FROM PRITCHETT SUPPLY CO. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$14,854.00 TO REPLACE AN OLD HOSE AND A HOSE THAT RECENTLY FAILED TESTING FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. FIRE CHIEF, JODY ALLEN SPOKE ON WHAT THE FIRE DEPARTMENT USES THIS SPECIFIC HOSE FOR AND THE NEED FOR THE HOSE. COMMISSIONER HARKINS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SIMPSON. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

17. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO PAY AN INVOICE FROM SANDER ELECTRIC COMPANY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,252.91 REGARDING PUMP REPAIR FOR THE SEWER DEPARTMENT. COMMISSIONER WARREN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

18. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO PAY AN INVOICE FROM BROWN AND ROBERTS, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,243.53 REGARDING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES PERFORMED FOR THE E. ST. LOUIS STREET PROJECT. COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SIMPSON. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

19. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO PAY AN INVOICE FROM FAST TRUCK AND TRAILER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,648.90 REGARDING REPAIRS TO THE 1997 INTERNATIONAL DUMP FOR THE STREET DEPARTMENT. COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WARREN. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

20. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO PAY AN INVOICE FROM F.W. ELECTRIC, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,519.82 REGARDING REPAIR TO THE DECORATIVE LIGHTS ON MAIN STREET AND LIGHTS AT HWY 37 AND HWY 149. MAYOR JORDAN STATED THAT WE NOW HAVE A BUSINESS; GANDY'S BODYSHOP LOCATED ON MAIN STREET AT THIS LOCATION. COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WARREN. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

21. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL FOR THE LIONS CLUB TO HOLD A ROADBLOCK FOR THE ANNUAL FLAG DAY FUNDRAISER ON MAY 24, 2019 FROM 4:00 P.M. TO 6:00 P.M. AND MAY 25, 2019 FROM 8:00 A.M. TO 2:00 P.M. AT THE INTERSECTION OF ROUTE 149 AND HIGHWAY 37. COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WARREN. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

22. OFFICER REPORTS:

CHIEF PRUDENT READ THE POLICE DEPARTMENT'S REPORT.

CHIEF ALLEN READ THE FIRE DEPARTMENT'S REPORT.

23. BUILDING AND SIGN PERMITS:

N/A

24. MAYORS COMMENTS:

I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE OLD KING COAL COMMUNITY FOR THEIR HARD WORK. ALSO, I WILL BE GOING TO CHICAGO TO RECEIVE A GRANT TO MAKE IMPROVEMENTS TO THE OUTLET MALL. I ALSO WOULD LIKE TO THANK ANGELA BAKER-DEATON FOR WORKING TO CORRECT SOME PROBLEMS ON THE PENSION BOARD.

25. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:

COMMISSIONER HARKINS STATED THAT THE POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENT ARE DOING GREAT.

COMMISSIONER SIMPSON STATED THAT HE MET WITH THE AUDITOR LAST WEEK, EVEN THOUGH WE ARE CURRENTLY IN FAIRLY GOOD SHAPE THE TREND IS NOT LOOKING GOOD AND THAT WE ARE GOING TO HAVE TO LOOK AT WAYS TO INCREASE REVENUE AND CURTAIL SPENDING.

COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS STATED CONGRATULATIONS TO THE SUPERVISORS THAT WERE REAPPOINTED AND TO CHIEF PRUDENT ON BEING APPOINTED TO CHIEF. I ALSO WOULD LIKE THANK ROGER FOR ALL THAT HE HAS DONE AND CONTINUES TO DO.

COMMISSIONER WARREN STATED THAT I AM EXCITED TO BE HERE AND THAT MY DOOR WILL ALWAYS BE OPEN, I AM ANXIOUS TO LEARN.

26. AUDIENCE QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS:

MRS. BROWN SPOKE ON HOW SHE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE SOME "NO PARKING" SIGNS ADDED TO THE 1500-1600 BLOCK OF GARLAND STREET AND WOULD LIKE FOR THE DITCHES TO BE CLEANED.

MR. MILLER AND MRS. SPRINGHORN SPOKE IN REGARDS TO CODE VIOLATIONS AT 1108 E. LINDELL STREET.

AN AUDIENCE MEMBER ALSO SPOKE OUT OF CONCERN FOR OUR  
CODES DEPARTMENT.

27. WITH NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO BE DISCUSSED, THE MEETING  
WAS ADJOURNED ON A MOTION BY COMMISSIONER HARKINS AT  
7:16 P.M.

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MAYOR TOM JORDAN

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ANGIE BAKER DEATON, CITY CLERK