

WEST FRANKFORT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, JANUARY 22, 2019

1. MAYOR JORDAN CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 6:00 P.M. REQUESTING A ROLL CALL. COMMISSIONER BLADES, COMMISSIONER HARKINS, COMMISSIONER SIMPSON WERE IN ATTENDANCE, ALONG WITH THE CITY ATTORNEY AND CITY CLERK. COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS WAS NOT IN ATTENDANCE.
2. MAYOR JORDAN ASKED FOR APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE JANUARY 8, 2019 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 \$367,315.00. COMMISSIONER SIMPSON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HARKINS. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.
4. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A SIDEWALK ON THE RIGHT OF WAY TO KEN GRAY BOULEVARD TO CONNECT TRUCK PARKING TO THE MACH 1 STATION. THE MAYOR STATED RANDY MYERS CAME TO US AND TALKED ABOUT HAVING A TRUCK PARKING LOT. HE HAS PURCHASED THE PROPERTY NORTH OF THE MACH 1 AND HE HAS ASKED US TO PUT IN A SIDEWALK SO THE PEOPLE THAT PARK THEIR TRUCKS THERE CAN WALK TO THE GAS STATION. WHAT WE NEED TO DO IS APPROVE FOR BROWN AND ROBERTS TO LAY THAT OUT AND FIND OUT WHERE OUR RIGHT OF WAY IS ALONG THERE. THIS WILL BE PAID FOR OUT OF TIF FUNDS SINCE THIS IS A TIF AREA OUT THERE. COMMISSIONER SIMPSON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BLADES. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.
5. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF THE CONTINUED COVERAGE OF KEY BENEFIT ADMINISTRATORS AS THE THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATOR OF RECORD FOR THE CITY OF WEST FRANKFORT'S HEALTH INSURANCE. THE MAYOR STATED WE MET WITH THEM AND

THIS WAS ONLY A 1% INCREASE OVER LAST YEAR. I WAS SURPRISED THAT OUR HEALTH INSURANCE DIDN'T GO UP A BUNCH, WE ARE GOING TO RENEW THAT FOR ANOTHER YEAR IF THE COUNCIL APPROVES. COMMISSIONER SIMPSON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HARKINS. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

6. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR DEMOLITION OF PROPERTIES. THE MAYOR STATED 1004 E. POPLAR WE WOULD LIKE TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS TO TEAR THAT DOWN. COMMISSIONER BLADES MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SIMPSON. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.
7. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF AN ENGINEERING AGREEMENT REGARDING THE DCEO MONROE STREET PROJECT. THE MAYOR STATED THIS IS A PROJECT THAT WE RECEIVED A GRANT FOR FROM THE GOVERNORS OFFICE FOR THE SANITARY SEWER REHABILITATION ON MONROE STREET. MATT TOSH STATED THE CITY RECEIVED A NOTICE OF A \$500,000.00 GRANT FOR THAT PROJECT. WE HAVE DONE SOME WORK DOWN THERE PREVIOUSLY, THERE WAS A COLLAPSE AND WE HAD TO REPLACE A SECTION. THIS IS GOING TO CONTINUE THAT WORK DOWN THERE. COMMISSIONER SIMPSON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BLADES. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.
8. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF THE SUBMISSION OF AN IEPA PRE-APPLICATION FOR LOAN ASSISTANCE AND ENGINEERING AGREEMENT REGARDING THE REPLACEMENT OF EXISTING WATER METERS. MATT TOSH STATED THERE WAS A NOTICE THAT THE IEPA PUT OUT FOR THE UPCOMING FISCAL YEAR THERE IS UP TO 75% GRANT FUNDS UP TO 1.5 MILLION DOLLARS FOR A WATER SYSTEM. WHAT THIS WOULD BE DOING IS SUBMITTING A PRE- APPLICATION AND SUBMITTING THE PLANNING THAT WE WOULD PREPARE TO GET APPROVAL FOR FUNDING. COMMISSIONER BLADES STATED WE AREN'T RESPONSIBLE FOR ANYTHING ARE WE? MATT STATED YOU AREN'T RESPONSIBLE FOR ANYTHING AT THIS POINT. THE PRE-APPLICATION IS JUST AN INTENT THAT YOU WOULD APPLY FOR FUNDS. COMMISSIONER BLADES MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE,

SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SIMPSON. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

9. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF A PROPOSAL FOR ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES REGARDING THE MAIN STREET RENOVATION. THE MAYOR STATED WE HAVE FOUR STORE FRONTS ON MAIN STREET AND WE GOT TO FIX THE FRONT OF 204-206 IT IS FALLING OFF AND WE GOT TO GET IT FIXED. IN ORDER TO GET BIDS ON THIS WE NEED SOME KIND OF RENDERING OF WHAT WE WANT IT TO LOOK LIKE. WE ARE ASKING ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES TO DRAW UP SOME KIND OF FRONTAGE ON THAT THING SO IT WILL LOOK LIKE THE DÉCOR THAT WE ALREADY HAVE DOWNTOWN AND GIVE US SOME IDEAS OF WHAT WE COULD PUT ON THE FRONT OF THAT BUILDING TO MAKE IT LOOK NICE. THE COST IS ESTIMATED AT \$2,000.00 TOTAL COST NOT TO EXCEED \$2,500.00. COMMISSIONER SIMPSON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HARKINS. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

10. THE NEXT ITEM WAS DISCUSSION, WITH POSSIBLE ACTION, FOR APPROVAL TO PURCHASE SCBA AND AIR PAKS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$138,622.00 FOR THE WFFD. FIRE CHIEF JODY ALLEN STATED ALL OF THE AIR PAKS THAT WE CURRENTLY HAVE ARE GOING TO GO OUT OF SERVICE IN AUGUST. THE MAYOR STATED YOU CURRENTLY HAVE SIXTEEN AND WE ARE GETTING TWO EXTRA FOR THE SEWER DEPARTMENT. WE DON'T HAVE A CHOICE TO REPLACE THE AIR PAKS. HOW WE DO IT IS ANOTHER THING. I KNOW IT SOUNDS WEIRD, THERE IS A FIFTEEN YEAR LIFE SPAN ON THOSE THINGS AND AT THE END OF THAT TIME THEY CAN NO LONGER BE USED. THE QUESTION WAS ASKED TO ME COULD BE REFURBISH THEM? FIRE CHIEF STATED IT WOULD JUST BE THE PAKS. MY RECOMMENDATION IS THAT THOSE ARE THE THINGS THAT ARE BETWEEN THAT FIREFIGHTER OR SEWER WORKER AND IT'S LIFE AND DEATH. IF THOSE AIR PAKS FAIL THAT CAN COST THEIR LIFE AND I DON'T THINK IT IS SOMETHING THAT WE SHOULD MESS WITH. WE HAVE GOTTEN FIFTEEN YEARS OUT OF THOSE PAKS AND I AM NOT SURE THAT WE NEED TO PURCHASE THEM ALL AT ONCE OR BUY SOME NOW AND SOME LATER. FIRE CHIEF STATED THE PRICE IS GOING TO GO UP AND THEY ARE GIVING US THE CHEAPER PRICE RIGHT NOW. COMMISSIONER HARKINS STATED IT IS A LOT OF MONEY, BUT IT'S A

BIG DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE GUY ON THE INSIDE AND WHAT'S ON THE OUTSIDE. IT IS A VERY IMPORTANT PIECE OF APPARATUS AND WE DO USE THEM SO HOW ARE WE GOING TO GET THE MONEY FINANCE COMMISSIONER? COMMISSIONER HARKINS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SIMPSON. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

11. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO ENTER INTO A LAND LEASE WITH MID AMERICA ADVERTISING, INC. THIS MATTER WAS TABLED.
12. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO PAY AN INVOICE FROM BROWN AND ROBERTS, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$8,827.30 FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES PERFORMED REGARDING THE FAU E. ST. LOUIS STREET PROJECT. COMMISSIONER SIMPSON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HARKINS. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.
13. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO PAY AN INVOICE FROM MANURE, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$25,573.16 TO REMOVE SLUDGE FOR THE SEWER DEPARTMENT. COMMISSIONER BLADES 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 TIGER SOLUTIONS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,228.40 FOR TRAINING SOFTWARE FOR THE WFFD. FIRE CHIEF JODY ALLEN STATED THIS IS THE SOFTWARE THAT WE GO LAST YEAR FOR OUR CONTINUING EDUCATION AND IT HELPS US TREMENDOUSLY. COMMISSIONER HARKINS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SIMPSON. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.
15. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO PAY AN INVOICE FROM DRP CONSTRUCTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,878.00 REGARDING REPAIRS AT THE WFBI. THE MAYOR STATED WE FILLED A TRENCH WITH ROCK FROM AN OLD VENTILATION SYSTEM THAT WAS TAKEN OUT AND IT NEEDED TO BE FILLED IN. COMMISSIONER SIMPSON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BLADES. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO

APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

16. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO PAY AN INVOICE FROM CLINTON ELECTRIC, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,254.31 REGARDING INSTALLATION OF SIX NEW LED FIXTURES FOR THREE PARKING LOT POLES AT THE WEST FRANKFORT MALL. THE MAYOR STATED THESE ARE IN THE AREA WHERE VANITY FAIR IS AT AND IT IS REALLY DARK BACK THERE. WE HAVE ASKED FOR A GRANT TO REPLACE ALL THE LIGHTS, BUT THIS IS SOMETHING THAT NEEDS TO BE DONE NOW. COMMISSIONER SIMPSON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HARKINS. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.
17. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO PAY AN INVOICE FROM JULIE, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,021.66 REGARDING 2019 ANNUAL ASSESSMENT. COMMISSIONER BLADES MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SIMPSON. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.
18. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO PAY AN INVOICE FROM RSP HEATING AND COOLING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$8,199.00 REGARDING CLOSED CELL SPRAY FOAM TO THE SEWER POLE BARN. COMMISSIONER BLADES 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 TENANT SALES AND SERVICE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,714.00 FOR A RECONDITIONED FLOOR SCRUBBER FOR THE WEST FRANKFORT MALL. THE MAYOR STATED WE HAD A SCRUBBER OUT THERE THAT CAME WITH THE MALL WHEN WE BOUGHT IT AND IT HAS QUIT. THIS IS A REFURBISHED SCRUBBER. COMMISSIONER SIMPSON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HARKINS. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

20. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO PAY AN INVOICE FROM WATCH GUARD VIDEO IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,020.00 FOR AN IN CAR VIDEO SYSTEM FOR THE WFPD. CAPTAIN JOHN PRUDENT STATED THIS IS FOR ONE OF THE NEW SQUAD CARS. ALL OF OUR CARS THAT ARE ON THE ROAD FOR DAILY PATROL HAVE CAMERAS AND IT PROTECTS THE CITIZENS AS WELL AS THE OFFICER. COMMISSIONER HARKINS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SIMPSON. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

21. BUILDING AND SIGN PERMITS:

N/A

22. MAYORS COMMENTS:

I WAS ABLE TO ATTEND THE WPS LUNCHEON AT THE MALL. THE CEO WANTED TO SEE THE MALL AND WHAT IT LOOKED LIKE OUT THERE. THEY FED ALL THE EMPLOYEES AND SOME OF US OTHER PEOPLE THAT WERE OUT THERE. I CAN'T SAY ENOUGH ABOUT WPS, THESE PEOPLE ARE SO UPFRONT. THE CEO OF THIS NATIONAL CORPORATION TALKED FOR AWHILE AND HE TOLD ME WE WILL SEE A LOT OF STUFF ON THE NEWS WITH HEALTH INSURANCE AND MEDICARE COLLECTIONS AND IF WE EVER HAVE A QUESTION TO CALL HIM OR THE LEGAL DEPARTMENT. HE SAID THEY PLAN ON BEING HERE FOR FIVE YEARS AT LEAST. THEY LOVE THE PLACE HE WAS VERY IMPRESSED WITH EVERYTHING WE HAVE DONE OUT THERE. I CAN TELL YOU THAT THERE ARE 188 PEOPLE WORKING OUT THERE RIGHT NOW AND IF THEY HAVE THEIR WAY THERE WILL BE SOME MORE PEOPLE COMING IN FEBRUARY AND MORE IN MARCH. I THINK OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH THEM WILL CONTINUE TO GET BETTER. I WOULD LIKE TO SAY THAT SARAH JANE ALEXANDER WAS OUR LIBRARIAN AT THE LIBRARY AND JOHN ALEXANDER ONE OF OUR FIREFIGHTERS THAT WAS HIS MOTHER AND I AM REALLY SAD THAT THIS STUFF HAPPENS. OUR CONDOLENCES GO TO THAT FAMILY AND LARRY LINGLE WAS A VETERAN AND A GREAT GUY. I WANT TO THANK ROGER AND THE STREET DEPARTMENT FOR CLEARING OUR ROADS. YOU GUYS DO A GREAT JOB AND WORK A LOT OF HOURS. THAT ISN'T AN EASY JOB AND I WANT YOU TO LET THEM KNOW WE APPRECIATE IT.

23. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:

COMMISSIONER HARKINS STATED I APPRECIATE YOU GUYS GOING FORWARD WITH THE BREATHING APPARATUS FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. THAT IS VERY IMPORTANT AND OF COURSE GETTING ANOTHER CAMERA IN OUR POLICE CARS. THE DEPARTMENTS ARE DOING GOOD. OUR QUINT SHOULD BE DONE IN ABOUT SIX MORE WEEKS.

COMMISSIONER BLADES STATED I GOT A COUPLE CALLS ABOUT 4 WHEELERS AND 4 WHEEL DRIVE TRUCKS GOING INTO THE OLD LAKE AND TEARING IT UP. IT NEEDS TO BE LOCKED UP AND I AM NOT SENDING A POLICE OFFICER OUT THERE TO UNLOCK IT WHEN THEY MIGHT NEED BACKUP IN TOWN. WE NEED TO TALK ABOUT THAT AT THE LAKE MEETING AND FIGURE SOMETHING OUT.

THE MAYOR STATED AT THE LAST MEETING WE HAD SOME LAKE OWNERS COME AND WE GOT INTO A LENGTHY DISCUSSION SO WE DECIDED WE SHOULD HAVE A LAKE COMMITTEE MEETING TO TALK ABOUT IT SO WE SCHEDULED A SPECIAL MEETING FOR LAST NIGHT AND SEVERAL PEOPLE CAME. THE CONSENSUS WAS THAT THE BUILDING NEEDS TO BE TORN DOWN AND WE NEED TO TALK WITH THE CITY ATTORNEY ABOUT THE PROCESS. THE NEXT LAKE COMMITTEE MEETING IS ON THE 21ST AT 6PM.

24. AUDIENCE QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS:

RYAN RIDGEWAY STATED HE OWN'S THE STORAGE UNITS THAT THE SIDEWALK IS GOING ACROSS FOR MACH 1 AND HE WOULD LIKE TO BE PART OF IT SINCE IT IS GOING TO BE ON THE FRONT OF MY PROPERTY. THE MAYOR STATED I DON'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THAT OFFICIALLY WE ARE GOING TO PUT THAT SIDEWALK ON OUR RIGHT OF WAY AND YOU CAN BE PRESENT, WE ARE GOING TO DO THIS ALL OUT IN THE OPEN. THERE IS A DRAINAGE DITCH THERE AND THE ENGINEERS MAY RECOMMEND THAT WE TILE IT THAT IS WHY WE HAVE THEM. RYAN STATED WE CAN FILL IN THE DITCH IN FRONT OF IT I AM HAPPY TO ABSORB SOME OF THE COST. I AM TIRED OF MOWING THAT AND I WOULD BE HAPPY TO BUY THE TILE I DON'T CARE I WOULD JUST LIKE TO BE PART OF IT IF I CAN AND MAKE IT LOOK A LITTLE BETTER OUT THERE. RYAN ALSO ASKED ABOUT THE DRAINAGE IN FRONT OF THE TACO BELL. THE MAYOR STATED THAT IS IDOT.

25. MAYOR JORDAN ASKED FOR APPROVAL TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS, PERSONNEL, LAND ACQUISITION AND/OR PENDING LITIGATION, WITH POSSIBLE ACTION. COMMISSIONER HARKINS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SIMPSON. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS ALONG WITH THE MAYOR VOTED YES. MOTION CARRIED. THE COUNCIL WENT INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 6:46 P.M.
26. THE COUNCIL RETURNED TO OPEN SESSION AT 7:16 P.M. ON A MOTION BY COMMISSIONER SIMPSON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HARKINS. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS ALONG WITH MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO RETURN TO OPEN SESSION. MOTION CARRIED.
27. WITH NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO BE DISCUSSED, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED ON A MOTION BY COMMISSIONER HARKINS AT 7:16 P.M.

MAYOR TOM JORDAN

ANGIE BAKER DEATON, CITY CLERK