WEST FRANKFORT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, JUNE 23, 2026

1. COMMISSIONER HOWARD CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 6:00 P.M. REQUESTING A ROLL CALL. ALL COMMISSIONERS WERE IN ATTENDANCE. INCLUDING, THE CITY ATTORNEY AND CITY CLERK. MAYOR ARVIEW AND COMMISSIONER HARKINS WAS NOT PRESENT.

2. COMMISSIONER HOWARD ASKED FOR APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA. COMMISSIONER STANLEY MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WARREN. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

3. MAYOR ARVIEW ASKED FOR APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE JUNE 9, 2026 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING. COMMISSIONER WARREN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STANLEY. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

4. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO AUTHORIZE CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE CITY OF WEST FRANKFORT TO BE DECLARED AS SURPLUS REAL ESTATE AND TO ADVERTISE FOR SEALED BIDS ~ 905-907 SOUTH MONROE PARCEL #12-30-130-007 AND 510 WEST MIDWAY PARCEL #11-24-460-005 WITH BIDS DUE AUGUST 11, 2026. COMMISSIONER WARREN STATED AND THAT'S TWO LOTS FOR A MINIMUM OF $1,000.00 AND NOT EACH ONE? COMMISSIONER HOWARD STATED THE 905 AND 907 SOUTH MONROE IS ONE PIECE OF PROPERTY, BUT IT'S TWO LOTS. AND THE MINIMUM BID ON THAT IS $1,000.00 AND THE MINIMUM BID ON 910 W. MIDWAY IS $500.00. COMMISSIONER WARREN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STANLEY. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

5. THE NEXT ITEM WAS DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF THE 250TH COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES TO BE HELD IN THE CITY OF WEST FRANKFORT. LEIGH CALDWELL STATED I AM ASKING THAT THE CITY CLOSE CLEVELAND STREET AND THE DRIVE AROUND THE PARK AT 4:30 P.M. ON JULY 5TH, WHICH IS THE DAY THAT THE FIREWORKS ARE AT THE PARK FOR A KIDS PARADE, WHICH THE PARK BOARD HAS APPROVED. AND THEN ALSO ASKING THAT ON JULY THE 8TH WE

CAN HOLD A PUBLIC READING OF THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE AT 6:00 P.M. IN FRONT OF THE VETERAN'S MILITARY MUSEUM. WE'LL BE REDEDICATING OUR WAR MEMORIALS THERE. WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A NEW NAME FROM A VIETNAM, WEST FRANKFORT RESIDENT WHO WAS KILLED IN ACTION IN VIETNAM, WHO WE'VE JUST KIND OF FOUND OUT ABOUT, WILL BE ON THE MEMORIAL, SO IT'S AN APPROPRIATE TIME TO REDEDICATE THEM. I'M ASKING FOR THE CLOSURE OF SHORT STREET NEXT TO THE MUSEUM. AND THEN, AS I'VE SPOKEN WITH DEPUTY CHIEF WILLIS, MAKING KIND OF A LANE AROUND THAT OUT ON MAIN STREET AS WELL, WHICH WE CAN DO WITHOUT CLOSING THE WHOLE ROAD WITHOUT THE STATE'S APPROVAL. I'M ALSO ASKING THAT WE CAN USE POWER AT THE MUSEUM THAT NIGHT FOR OUR SOUND SYSTEM AS WELL. COMMISSIONER WARREN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STANLEY. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR ARVIEW VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

6. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION APPOINTING BEN WOOLARD AS A MEMBER TO THE CITY OF WEST FRANKFORT FIRE AND POLICE MERIT BOARD. COMMISSIONER WARREN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STANLEY. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

7. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO SIGN AN AFFILIATION AGREEMENT WITH SHAWNEE COMMUNITY COLLEGE (SCC) AND THE WEST FRANKFORT FIRE DEPARTMENT. COMMISSIONER HOWARD STATED IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THAT WHAT THIS DOES IS ALLOWS SHAWNEE COLLEGE STUDENTS TO COME AND LEARN. WE WON'T HAVE TO PAY THEM ANYTHING. THEY'RE DOING THIS AS PART OF THEIR STUDIES AT THE COLLEGE, BUT THEY'LL BE SHADOWING. AND SO THAT'S MY UNDERSTANDING IS THAT THEY WILL BE LIKE PARAMEDIC STUDENTS FROM SHAWNEE COLLEGE, AND THEY'RE GOING TO SHADOW AT THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. I THINK THE FIRE DEPARTMENT IS, OKAY WITH THIS, AND WE'VE GOT AN AGREEMENT THAT THEY'RE WANTING US TO SIGN, AND THAT AGREEMENT BASICALLY SAYS THAT THEY ARE TAKING ALL THE LIABILITY AND PROVIDING INSURANCE AND EVERYTHING FOR THOSE KIDS, AND IT'S NOT MAKING A PROBLEM TO THE CITY. SO, I'D ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO APPROVE THIS. COMMISSIONER STANLEY MADE A MOTION TO

APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WARREN. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

8. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO ACCEPT BIDS AND AWARD PROJECT FOR REPLACEMENT BACK FLOW VALVE AT THE WF MALL. COMMISSIONER HOWARD STATED THAT DID NOT PASS INSPECTION AND HAS TO BE REPLACED. COMMISSIONER WARREN STATED THAT HAS TO DO WITH WATER, AND THE SPRINKLER SYSTEM. COMMISISONER HOWARD STATED THE TOTAL COST OF THAT IS $12,280.83. IS THAT CORRECT? THE CITY CLERK STATED YES, THERE WAS ANOTHER BID, BUT IT WAS HIGHER. AND THEN WE INCLUDED THE PREVIOUS ONE FROM THE BUSINESS INCUBATOR FROM A COUPLE YEARS AGO, THAT HAD TO BE REPAIRED. COMMISSIOER WARREN STATED WHICH ONE ARE WE TAKING? COMMISSIONER HOWARD STATED THE ONE FROM L&K FIRE PROTECTION. COMMISSIONER WARREN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STANLEY. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

9. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO ACCEPT BIDS AND AWARD REPLACEMENT ROOFTOP UNIT FOR THE WEST FRANKFORT BUSINESS INCUBATOR. COMMISSIONER WARREN ASKED DID WE MAKE ANY CONTACT WITH ANYBODY ON THAT ISSUE? THE CITY CLERK STATED WE HAVE NOT HEARD BACK FROM THEM. COMMISISONER HOWARD STATED AS I UNDERSTAND IT, WE HAVE TWO BIDS ON ONE UNIT AND ONE BID ON THE OTHER ONE. IS THAT CORRECT? THE CITY CLERK STATED YES. THERE WASN'T ENOUGH TIME TO GET. COMMISSIONER WARREN STATED BAILEY'S IS THE BIDDER. THE CITY CLERK STATED WAS $5,600.00 AND FOWELERS WAS $6,111.00 WAS AND THAT WAS FOR THE FIRST UNIT. AND BAILEY'S ALSO PRESENTED A BID FOR THE SECOND UNIT AND IT WAS $5,800.00. COMMISSIONER WARREN STATED I WOULD SAY I WOULD MAKE A MOTION TO APPROVE BAILEY'S FOR THE REPAIR JOB SINCE HE'S LOWER ON BOTH UNITS. COMMISSIONER WARREN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STANLEY. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

10. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 12.28.560- NAMELY, THE WEST FRANKFORT LAKE LOT TRANSFER REQUIREMENTS ORDINANCE – OF THE WEST FRANKFORT CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR THE CITY OF WEST FRANKFORT TO

REFLECT THE CORRECT PROCEDURE. THE CITY ATTORNEY CANTRELL STATED THIS IS AMENDING AN ORDINANCE THAT'S ALREADY IN PLACE THAT HAS A VERY SPECIFIC PROCEDURES ANYTIME ANYONE WANTS TO TRANSFER, OR SELL THEIR PROPERTY ON THE NEW LAKE. SO THOSE ARE ALL THE LONG-TERM LEASES. THE CITY OWNS ALL OF THE LAND. THE INDIVIDUALS THAT HAVE HOUSES THERE JUST OWN THE HOUSE NOT THE LAND. I THINK IT WAS IN THE EARLY 60S. THERE WAS AN INFORMAL PLAT THAT WAS NOT RECORDED. BUT FOR SOME REASON EVERYBODY ACCEPTED IT IN FRANKLIN COUNTY. LOTS WERE DESCRIBED AS USING AN UNRECORDED PLAT. WHICH IS A VIOLATION OF THE ILLIONIS PLAT ACT. THE COUNTY WORKING TOGETHER WITH US, YOU KNOW WE KIND OF COME UP WITH SOME BETTER PROCEDURES, WE ARE FINE TUNING THEM NOW MAY NEED TO AGAIN LATER. BUT A PART OF THAT IS AS FOLKS WHO WANT TO SELL THE PROPERTY ARE GOING TO HAVE TO COME AND GET PERMISSION. ADVERTISE THE PROPERTY A CERTAIN WAY. GET A SURVEY. WHICH IS PROBABLY THE BIGGEST EXPENSE. UNFORTUNATELY, THERE'S NOTHING WE CAN DO ABOUT THAT. THAT'S SOMETHING THE COUNTY INSISTS ON. BECAUSE WHEN YOU TRANSFER ANY PROPERTY RIGHTS TO A LOT IF THE BOUNDARIES ARE NOT ACCURATELY DESCRIBED, YOU ARE VIOLATING THE ILLIONIS PLATT ACT. THAT IS WHY THE COUNTY SAID YOU ARE GOING TO HAVE TO DO SOMETHING TO START FORCING PEOPLE TO GET SURVEYS BECAUSE PEOPLE WERE RELYING ON AN UNRECORDED PLAT OF THE ENTIRE LAKE. THAT'S WHAT PEOPLE STARTED USING IN THE 60S. SO TO MAKE A LONG STORY SHORT, THOSE ARE THE PROCEDURES. THE DETAILS ARE IN THERE. FOLKS START THE PROCESS BY CONTACTING CITY HALL, SPEAKING WITH THE CITY CLERKS OFFICE SO THEY CAN GET MORE INFORMATION THAT WAY IN THE FUTURE IF THEY HAVE ANY QUESTIONS. I DO RECOMMEND THE COUCNIL ADOPT THIS ORDINANCE. COMMISSIONER WARREN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STANLEY. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

11. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO PAY AN INVOICE FROM DOOR DOCTOR OF SOUTHERN ILLINOIS IN THE AMOUNT OF $1,580.00 FOR REPAIRS TO DOOR AT THE WEST FRANKFORT FIRE DEPARMENT. COMMISSIONER WARREN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STANLEY. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL

COMMISSIONERS VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

12. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO PAY IN INVOICE FROM PLANTSCAPE NURSERY AND LANDSCAPE SERVICE IN THE AMOUNT OF $15,459.34 FOR FLOWERS FOR THE MAIN STREET BEAUTIFICATION PROJECT TO BE PAID FROM THE BEAUTIFICATION GROUP ACCOUNT. COMMISSIONER HOWARD STATED THAT GROUP RAISES THEIR OWN MONEY AND HAS ALWAYS BEEN ABLE TO RAISE ENOUGH TO PAY THESE BILLS. THIS IS NOT REALLY COMING OUT OF THE CITY'S COFFERS, BUT WE NEED TO APPROVE THE BILL ANYWAY. COMMISSIONER STANLEY MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WARREN. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

13. THE NEXT ITEM WAS THE CONSENT AGENDA:
    a. APPROVAL TO PAY BILLS.
    b. APPROVAL TO PAY AN INVOICE FROM ILLINOIS PUBLIC RISK FUND IN THE AMOUNT OF $23,088.00 REGARDING AUGUST 2026 WORKERS COMPENSATION.

    COMMISSIONER WARREN MADE A MOTION FOR APPROVAL, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STANLEY. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

BUILDING AND SIGN PERMITS ~ CODES OFFICER SNELL STATED 808 FRANK STREET FOR ISAAC UBAN. ITS FOR A SOLAR PROJECT ROOF MOUNT. THEY HAVE THEIR ENGINEERED SPECS ON HERE. WE HAVE A REGISTERED CONTRACTOR. EVERYTHING FITS WITHIN OUR ORDINANCE. I RECOMMEND YOU GO AHEAD AND APPROVE THAT. COMMISSIONER WARREN MADE A MOTION FOR APPROVAL, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STANLEY. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

14. **MAYORS REPORT~**

MAYOR ARVIEW WAS NOT PRESENT.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS~

COMMISSIONER HARKINS WAS NOT PRESENT.

COMMISSIONER HOWARD STATED WE DO HAVE OUR APPROPRIATION BUDGET FOR THIS FISCAL YEAR DONE NOW. NOTICE IS BEING PUBLISHED THE 25TH. ISNT THAT CORRECT? MR. CANTRELL STATED YES, I DON'T REMEMBER THE EXACT DATE.

COMMISSIONER HOWARD STATED THAT'S THE DATE THAT WE WERE GIVEN. ANYWAY, THE NOTICE IS SUPPOSED TO BE PUBLISHED THAT IT'S AVAILABLE. IT'S SUPPOSED TO BE PUBLISHED THE 25TH. IT'S AVAILABLE FOR YOUR PERUSAL. IS IT POSTED ON THE WEBSITE YET? THE CITY CLERK STATED I DON'T THINK SO. IF ANYBODY WANTS TO LOOK AT IT, WE'LL POST IT ON THE WEBSITE, TOO. WE'RE STILL WORKING ON, MAKING PROGRESS ON GETTING THROUGH THE MONTHS, GETTING THE BOOKS IN ORDER.

COMMISSIONER STANLEY STATED I THINK ALL THE DEPARTMENTS ARE DOING PRETTY GOOD. I THINK THEY'VE SLOWED DOWN ON THE JULIES WITH THE WATER DEPARTMENT, HAVEN'T THEY? WATER SUPERINTENDENT JAKE STATED WE STILL HAVE SOME. AND STREET DEPARTMENT GOT THE BIG MOWER, DOING ALL OF THE BIG DITCHES THAT WE CAN'T DO WITH OUR REGULAR TRACTORS. GETTING THAT DONE MORE SIDEWALKS AND ALL THE ROADS PRETTY WELL DONE. IT LOOKS NICE OUT. SEWER DEPARTMENT DOING OK OVER THERE. AREN'T YOU, MIKEY? SEWER SUPERINTENDENT STATED YES EVERYTHING IS DOING GOOD.

COMMISSIONER WARREN STATED THE ROADS THAT WE OWN ARE DONE AT THE LAKE. I'VE HAD A COUPLE OF COMMENTS ABOUT PEOPLE ARE HAPPY ABOUT THAT. THAD HAS BEEN DOING A LOT OF SUPERVISING FOR ME BECAUSE I DON'T KNOW A LOT ABOUT THE LAKE. BUT IF YOU HAVE ANYTHING TO SAY ABOUT THAT. WE'VE WORKED ON SEVERAL THINGS OUT THERE. THAD STATED WE FOUND A SECOND VALVE, WHICH IS A GOOD THING. WE WILL BE ABLE TO LOWER THE LAKE NO MATTER WHAT. WE ALSO ARE WORKING ON THE MAIN VALVE THERE. WE HAVE TO INSPECT THAT STRUCTURE THAT'S IN THE MIDDLE OF THE LAKE. THERE'S BEEN SOME THINGS HAPPEN TO IT. WE DON'T REALLY KNOW WHERE THE OPENINGS ARE ON IT. SO WE HAVE TO GET A DIVE TEAM OUT THERE, TAKE A LOOK AT THE STRUCTURES, FIND A WAY TO CLOSE IT OFF. THEN WE CAN WORK ON THE MAIN VALVE. SO THERE'S BEEN A LOT INVOLVED IN THAT. WE'VE BEEN OUT THERE SEVERAL TIMES TRYING TO FIGURE THINGS OUT. BUT WHEN YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT A LAKE THAT'S APPROACHING 100 YEARS OLD, THAT'S WHERE YOU ARE WITH IT. COMMISSIONER WARREN STATED THE LIGHTING IS UPDATED OUT THERE, WHICH I APPRECIATE THAT. AND WE WILL BE, I GUESS WE'LL NEED TO HAVE A LAKE COMMITTEE MEETING. BUT I'LL HAVE TO CALL ONE FOR THAT. WE DON'T KNOW THE ANSWER TO

THE VALVE SITUATION YET. BUT I BASICALLY WANTED TO SAY WE WON'T LOWER THE LAKE UNTIL WE HAVE A MEETING AND DISCUSS IT WITH PEOPLE AT THE LAKE. BECAUSE THEY MAY NOT WANT IT LOWERED, AND WE MAY NOT HAVE TO. BUT WE'RE GOING TO GET THE OPINIONS. WE WANT TO KNOW WE CAN DO IT BEFORE WE ASK DO YOU WANT IT.

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT: MR. CANTRELL STATED I'LL JUST SAY THANK YOU TO THE CITY CLERK WHO'S BEEN VERY HELPFUL WITH THE AMOUNT OF WORK WE'RE DOING. NOTHING TO REPORT PUBLICLY, THOUGH.

15. **AUDIENCE COMMENTS**:

DANNY LOWE STATED I'M VICE CURATOR OF THE MILITARY MUSEUM HERE IN WEST FRANKFORT. I HAD A BOOK BROUGHT TO ME, FRANKLIN COUNTY WAR HISTORY, 1832 TO 1919. I WANT YOU TO LOOK AT THE PICTURES IN HERE. LOOK HOW WELL THEY ARE. THE QUALITY OF PAPER, TOO, IS UNBELIEVABLE. IT WAS PUBLISHED IN 1920. THE MILITARY MUSEUM IS VERY IMPORTANT TO ME, VERY, AND I WANT TO THANK YOU ALL FOR ALL YOU DO. UP HERE, TOO, THE GUYS UP HERE THAT HELPED ME. THEY DID THE PAINTING AND THEY'VE DONE THE SIDEWALKS AND ALL THAT. IT'S UNBELIEVABLE. I TELL EVERYBODY WE LOOK LIKE WASHINGTON, D.C. NOW. I ALSO WANT TO RUN OVER JULY THE 8TH. BE THERE JULY THE 8TH, PLEASE. IT'S GOING TO BE A VERY SPECIAL. I WAS ABLE TO GET A VIETNAM VETERAN'S NAME. THEY'RE GOING TO PUT IT ON THE MONUMENT UP THERE. HE WAS KILLED IN 1968. HE WAS 20 YEARS OLD. CLAYTON HOLLIMAN WAS HIS NAME. HE'S BURIED UP HERE AT THE CEMETERY, SO WE'RE GOING TO HONOR HIM. THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH.

DAWN ABBYSON STATED I WAS BORN NORTH OF CHICAGO, RAISED IN TEXAS. DON'T MESS WITH TEXANS. I HAVE NATIVE BLOOD NOT ONLY ON MY DAD'S SIDE, BUT TWO CHEROKEE AND BLACKFOOT ON MY MOM'S. I DIDN'T REALLY WANT TO BE UP HERE. GOD HAS PLACED ME IN 92 IN ILLINOIS. I ALWAYS, GROWING UP, SAID IKENOI. I HAVE BEEN FOR A YEAR AND A HALF TRYING TO FIND WHERE AM I GOING TO GET SOME LAND, OR AM I GOING TO HAVE TO GET IN MY BUS, PULLING IN MY CAR, AND LEAVING SOME OF MY STUFF BEHIND

WITH MY FRIENDS AND SO FORTH. I REALLY DIDN'T WANT TO DO EITHER, REALLY, TOTALLY, EXCEPT FOR WHAT GOD WANTED ME TO DO. FINALLY, IT WAS LIKE THE LAST WEEK WHERE IT HAD A THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, BECAUSE THAT NEXT ONE HAD JUNE THE 1ST. NO, I'M SORRY, MAY THE 1ST. TRYING TO GET, I FINALLY WENT THREE DIFFERENT PLACES THAT DAY ON THURSDAY. GOD PLANNED ME OVER HERE ON FRIDAY ON TWO PIECES OF LAND. I'M TRYING TO HAVE IT WHERE THAT WHENEVER I CAN GET IT WHERE I'M GOING, I'M GOING TO HAVE A PLACE UP HERE FOR THE KIDS, A MISSION. I HAVE FOUND MY PURPOSE IN LIFE. I HAVE FOUND WHERE I'M GOING TO BE LIVING. I AM TRYING TO BE DOING EVERYTHING I'M SUPPOSED TO BE DOING. I KNOW SOME THINGS THAT I'VE BEEN HERE LATELY, TAGGING MY BUS AND MY CAMPER. THERE ARE TWO PRECEDENTS THAT I CAN LIVE IN MY CAMPER HERE. THE MAYOR HAD ONE BEFORE HE WAS MAYOR. ANOTHER ONE, THERE'S A POST OFFICE GUY, HE HAD A FLOOD, AND WHILE HE HAD HIS FLOOD TRYING TO GET IT FIXED, HE WAS LIVING IN HIS CAMPER. SO DON'T TOUCH MY CAMPER. IT'S EVEN ON THE WRONG ADDRESS. AND THE BUS, YOU BETTER NOT EITHER, BECAUSE YOU'RE GOING TO FIND YOU'RE MESSING WITH TEXAS. I AM TRYING TO MAKE IT WHERE THAT I FINALLY HAVE ROOTS. THIS IS THE FIFTH TIME IN MY LIFE THAT I AM TRYING. FIRST TIME. I HAD A TRAILER WITH RENTAL LAND. THAT WASN'T GOOD BECAUSE I DID NOT HAVE 600 AND ENOUGH TO STILL YET HAVE EVERYTHING I NEED FOR ME AND MY SON THAT I HAD JUST GIVEN BIRTH TO. IT ENDED UP I WAS ABLE TO GET A PLACE IN HARRISBURG. I GOT THAT PAID BEFORE TIME. IT WAS A PLACE THAT MY SISTER HAD. ENDED UP, I WAS TRYING TO GET HELP. THERE WAS A TREE IN THE BACK. I COULD NOT DO WHAT I DID WITH THE TREE IN FRONT. THE TREE IN FRONT, I TOOK A ROPE AND I TIED IT AND I PULLED IT TIGHT UNTIL THAT THING WENT BAM. THE ONE IN THE BACK, THERE WAS A FENCE THAT I COULDN'T DO IT. PULLING THE TREE OVER WITH THE ROOTS, IT PROBABLY MESSED THAT FENCE UP. I DIDN'T HAVE MONEY TO GET IT CUT DOWN. ONE NIGHT, I WAS OVER AT KROGER'S. I JUST PUT MY FOOD IN MY CAR. A STORM, IT WAS JUST COMING. I JUST HAD A DEEP, DEEP FEELING. SOMETHING'S HAPPENED AT HOME. I'M LIKE, OKAY, GOD, YOU'VE GOTTEN ME. GET HOME. I DON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT THE TREE ANYMORE. I'M HOMELESS. IT CAME DOWN ON MY TRAILER AND CRASHED IT. I DIDN'T HAVE INSURANCE BECAUSE OF MY DAD SAID, YOU DON'T REALLY NEED IT. DID I REALLY NEED IT? OH, I DID, I

STUPIDLY LISTENED TO HIM. THIRD PLACE, STONEFORT. SOMEONE THAT I'D TOTALLY GET OUT OF MY LIFE. I WAS NOT MENTALLY ABLE TO REALLY DO THE RIGHT DECISION. OH, MY GOD. I LOST THAT PLACE BECAUSE HE TORE IT DOWN. THANK YOU ALL. LEAVE ME ALONE.

16. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR DISCUSSIONS PURSUANT TO 5 ILCS 120/2(C)(1), 5 ILCS 120/2(C)(5), 5 ILCS 120/2(C)(6), 5 ILCS 120/2(C)(11) PERSONNEL, REAL ESTATE, LITIGATION. AT 6:28 P.M. COMMISSIONER STANLEY MADE A MOTION FOR APPROVAL, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WARREN. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

17. WITH NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO BE DISCUSSED, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED ON A MOTION BY COMMISSIONER STANLEY AT 7:10 P.M.

MAYOR, TIM ARVIEW

ANDREA BOLEN, CITY CLERK