

WEST FRANKFORT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, MAY 10, 2022

1. MAYOR JORDAN CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 6:00 P.M. REQUESTING A ROLL CALL. ALL COMMISSIONERS WERE IN ATTENDANCE. THE CITY ATTORNEY AND CITY CLERK WERE ALSO PRESENT.
2. MAYOR JORDAN ASKED FOR APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE APRIL 26th, 2022 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. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO PAY CITY BILLS AND PAYROLL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$176,264.95. COMMISSIONER SIMPSON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STANLEY. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.
4. THE NEXT ITEM WAS DISCUSSION, WITH POSSIBLE ACTION, REGARDING GRIEVANCES FROM THE FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE. THIS ITEM WAS TABLED UNTIL THE END OF THE MEETING THEY ARE GOING INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AND WILL DISCUSS THIS AT THE END OF THE MEETING.
5. THE NEXT ITEM WAS DISCUSSION, WITH POSSIBLE ACTION, REGARDING A TAX INCREMENT FINANCING FOR DIXIE CREAM. THE MAYOR STATED IN THE NEW CONSTRUCTION ON THE ROAD, THEY HAD TO MOVE THEIR SIGN. WHEN THEY MOVED THEIR SIGN, THEY UPGRADED THE SIGN. THE NEW SIGN WAS \$42,750.00. THEY ARE IN A TIF DISTRICT AND THEY APPLIED FOR A GRANT. KEITH MORAN HAS TOLD US THIS IS OUR DECISION. WHAT WOULD YOU ALL LIKE TO GIVE THEM? THEY HAVE BEEN IN TOWN FOR SUCH A LONG TIME, THEY HAVE NEVER ASKED THE CITY FOR ANYTHING. KEITH MORAN HAS TOLD US THIS IS OUR DECISION. WHAT WOULD YOU ALL LIKE TO GIVE THEM? THIS AGREEMENT HAS NOT BEEN WRITTEN YET WE ARE JUST DECIDING ON HOW MUCH WE WANT TO GIVE THEM. THE COUNCIL AGREED THAT \$42,750.00 SHOULD BE GIVEN THROUGH THE TIF PROGRAM. COMMISSIONER SIMPSON MADE A MOTION FOR APPROVAL, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STANLEY. ROLL CALL

VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

6. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION APPOINTING BOARD MEMBERS TO THE WEST FRANKFORT LIBRARY BOARD. THE TERMS OF MR. BILL LEVANTI, MRS. JILL PERROTTO, AND MRS TERRI BROWN EXPIRE IN JUNE 2022. MR. BILL LEVANTI, MRS. JILL PERROTTO AND NICK NOROVICH ALL WERE APPOINTED TO THE BOARD TO EXPIRE IN THE YEAR 2025. COMMISSIONER WARREN MADE A MOTION FOR APPROVAL, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STANLEY. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.
7. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL FOR ATTORNEY JONATHON R. CANTRELL TO REPRESENT THE CITY OF WEST FRANKFORT ON AN AS-NEEDED BASIS REGARDING THE PROSECUTION OF CITATIONS FOR VARIOUS ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS FOR THE CITY'S CODE'S DEPARTMENT. COURTNEY COX RECOMMENDED WE COULD SAVE SOME MONEY BY USING MR. CANTRELL AS HE DOES THIS FOR OTHER COMMUNITIES IN THE AREA AS WELL. COMMISSIONER HARKINS MADE A MOTION FOR APPROVAL, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STANLEY. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.
8. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR DEMOLITION OF PROPERTY PER CITY CODE 15.12.100. CODES OFFICER SNELL STATED IT'S A DANGEROUS BUILDING CODE, THEY ARE DANGEROUS, NOT UP TO CODE ANYMORE, BURNT AND ABANDONDED HOMES. WE ARE GOING TO TEAR THEM DOWN AND PUT A LEIN ON THE PROPERTY. WE WILL NOT OWN THE PROPERTY; WE WILL JUST BE CLEANING IT UP. THE PROPERTIES FOR DEMO ARE 509 N. WASHINGTON, 507 N. WASHINGTON, AND 708 N. PARKHILL. WE WILL NOT OWN THESE PROPERTIES BUT WILL PUT A LEIN ON THEM FOR COST OF DEMO. COMMISSIONER SIMPSON MADE A MOTION FOR APPROVAL, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HARKINS. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.
9. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION OF ORDINANCE VIOLATION. THE MAYOR STATED THE LAST COUPLE OF MEETINGS WE HAVE HAD DISCUSSIONS ABOUT THE DOG ON ROLLA STREET. WE HAVE BEEN TRYING TO WORK WITH THEM, AND WHAT WE HAVE IS AN AGREEMENT. IT IS AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND MR. PORRITT AND HIS NEIGHBOR EVERYONE HAS TO SIGN OFF ON THIS. THIS ALLOWS MR. PORRITT TO KEEP THE DOG IN A PEN, SO IT CANNOT GET OUT AND THERE ARE SEVERAL STIPULATIONS THAT HE HAS TO FOLLOW. THE CITY WILL NOT BE LIABLE FOR THE DOG IF IT

GETS OUT AGAIN. COMMISSIONER HARKINS MADE A MOTION FOR APPROVAL, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STANLEY. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

10. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF THE WEST FRANKFORT RECREATION ASSOCIATION TO SPONSOR THEIR ANNUAL MEMORIAL DAY PARADE ON MONDAY, MAY 30, 2022 AT 9 A.M. COMMISSIONER STANLEY MADE A MOTION FOR APPROVAL, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WARREN. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

11. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO PAY AN INVOICE FROM TARGET SOLUTIONS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,398.40 FOR THE WEST FRANKFORT FIRE DEPARTMENT. THIS IS FOR EMS AND FIREFIGHTER CONTINUED EDUCATION, YEARLY FEE. COMMISSIONER HARKINS MADE A MOTION FOR APPROVAL, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WARREN. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

12. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO PAY AN INVOICE FROM BANNER FIRE EQUIPMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$20,738.04 REGARDING REPAIRS TO THE QUINT FOR THE WEST FRANKFORT FIRE DEPARTMENT. ACTING CHIEF SAILLIEZ STATED THIS IS A REPAIR AND UPGRADE TO PEARCE INFORMATION CENTER. IT'S THE COMPUTER THAT RUNS THE WHOLE APPARATUS, YOU CANNOT DRIVE WITHOUT THE MAIN CONSOLE, PUMP WITHOUT THE SECONDARY CONSOLE. THE LADDER WENT OUT SO WE TOOK IT TO ROXANA, ILLINOIS. ONE SIDE OF IT WAS \$6,500.00 THAT WAS A BANDAID THEY SAID THE MAIN PORTION OF IT MAY LAST ANOTHER 2-3 DAYS OR MAY LAST A COUPLE OF YEARS. THEY RECOMMENDED REPLACING ALL OF IT THAT WAY THE COMPUTERS TALK TO EACH OTHER CORRECTLY. IT IS A 1999 MODEL SO ITS LASTED 23 YEARS. ACTING CHIEF SAILLIEZ STATED THAT ESTIMATE YOU HAVE IN FRONT OF YOU IS ACTUALLY WRONG, THEY TOLD ME IT WOULD ACTUALLY BE CHEAPER TO FIX EVERYTHING AT ONCE AROUND \$14,500.00 INSTEAD OF THE \$20,738.04. COMMISSIONER HARKINS MADE A MOTION FOR APPROVAL, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STANLEY. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

13. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO PAY AN INVOICE FROM BROWN & ROBERTS, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,269.74 FOR MALL INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS CONTRACT 3. COMMISSIONER STANLEY MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WARREN. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS

AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

14. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO PAY AN INVOICE FROM BROWN & ROBERTS, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$22,396.77 FOR MALL INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS CONTRACT 2. COMMISSIONER STANLEY MADE A MOTION FOR APPROVAL, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WARREN. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.
15. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO PAY AN INVOICE FROM BROWN & ROBERTS, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$20,965.79 FOR I57 & IL RT 149 INTERCHANGE MODIFICATION PHASE 1 ENGINEERING INVOICE #24. THE MAYOR STATED THIS IS A \$1.5 MILLION DOLLAR GRANT WE GOT SO WE ARE PAYING MONEY OUT OF IT. COMMISSIONER STANLEY MADE A MOTION FOR APPROVAL, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WARREN. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.
16. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF AN INVOICE FROM SAMRON MIDWEST CONTRACTING, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$192,476.08 FOR IL RTE 149, KEN GRAY BLVD., BOB BURTON WAY AND FACTORY OUTLET DRIVE, EDA AWARD 06-01-06132 CONTRACT 2. COMMISSIONER STANLEY MADE A MOTION FOR APPROVAL, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HARKINS. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.
17. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF AN INVOICE FROM JOHNSON'S AUTO & TRUCK REPAIR IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,458.32 FOR REPAIRS TO 2012 DODGE RAM FOR THE WEST FRANKFORT SEWER DEPARTMENT. COMMISSIONER WARREN MADE A MOTION FOR APPROVAL, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STANLEY. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.
18. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO PAY AN INVOICE FROM QUAD-COUNTY READY MIX CORP. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,239.25 FOR THE WEST FRANKFORT STREET DEPARTMENT. THIS IS FOR THE PADS WE DID ON ST. LOUIS STREET WE CUT OUT AND REPAIRED STATED COMMISSIONER STANLEY. COMMISSIONER STANLEY MADE A MOTION FOR APPROVAL, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SIMPSON. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

19. OFFICER'S REPORT ~

FIRE REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 2022. ACTING CHIEF SAILLIEZ REPORTED THEY HAD 171-AMBULANCE CALLS, 7 RUBBISH/ILLEGAL FIRES, 2- BRUSH/FIELD FIRES, 4 MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS (ONE WAS A WATER RESCUE), 2 VEHICLE FIRES, 3 FIRE EMERGENCY; (GAS LEAKS, POWER LINES DOWN), 0 STRUCTURE FIRES AND 2 SMOKE SCARES, 3 AMBULANCE CALLS TURNED OVER TO MUTUAL DUE TO NO THIRD AMBULANCE. 1 MUTUAL AID FIRE RESPONSE. FOR A TOTAL OF 197 CALLS DURING THE MONTH. THE DEPARTMENT USED APPROXIMATELY 2,000 GALLONS OF WATER. THE DEPARTMENT COLLECTED \$41,446.19 FOR APRIL AMBULANCE CALLS.

POLICE REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 2022. CHIEF PRUDENT REPORTED OFFICERS ANSWERED A TOTAL OF 1,207 CALLS FOR SERVICE. OF THOSE CALLS 26 WERE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS, 3 WITH INJURIES. OFFICERS RESPONDED TO 40 DOMESTIC DISPUTES, 5 FIGHTS IN PROGRESS, 8 ALARMS, 1 INTOXICATED PERSONS, 11 BURGLARIES, 10 REPORTS OF CRIMINAL DAMAGE TO PROPERTY, 10 COMPLAINTS OF JUVENILE PROBLEMS, 26 REPORTED THEFTS, AND 90 COMPLAINTS OF DISORDERLY CONDUCT/DISTURBANCES AND MADE 27 STREET CONTACTS.

OFFICERS CONDUCTED 120 TRAFFIC STOPS, ISSUED 35 CITIATIONS, 100 WARNINGS, AND 3 LW-27'S.

THERE WERE 45 ADULT ARRESTS MADE AND 4 JUVENILE ARRESTS, RESULTING IN 66 CRIMINAL CHARGES FILED.

DISPATCHERS ANSWERED 1,517 CALLS.

OF THOSE, 666 WERE 9-1-1 CALLS, 91 WERE WALK IN REQUESTS.

1,207 WERE FOR POLICE, 202 WERE FOR WEST FRANKFORT FIRE, 7 WERE FOR THOMPSONVILLE FIRE/EMS, AND 15 WERE FOR ABBOTT EMS. AND FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL, WE COLLECTED \$660.00 IN FINES AND FEES.

COMMISSIONER SIMPSON STATED SHE HAS A QUESTION. WHAT DISTINGUISHES A BURGLARY FROM A THEFT? CHIEF PRUDENT STATED A BURGLARY IS WHEN YOU ENTER INTO A BUILDING OR VEHICLE AND TAKE SOMETHING. THEFT IS JUST WHEN YOU WALK UP IN A YARD AND TAKE SOMETHING THAT IS OUTSIDE, LIKE FROM A PORCH.

CODES REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 2022. PERMIT:

2~BUILDING PERMITS, 3~SIGN PERMITS. RENTAL PROPERTIES:

8~RENTAL INSPECTIONS PERFORMED. CASE ACTIVITY REPORT ~ 51 WHICH INCLUDES DOORS TAGGED VERBAL WARNINGS, VEHICLES TAGGED, INSPECTIONS OF VIOLATIONS, INSPECTIONS, CITATIONS ISSUED, LETTERS SENT, ETC. AND BROUGHT IN \$500.00 IN FINES AND FEES FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL.

20. BUILDING AND SIGN PERMITS ~ THERE WERE NONE THIS MEETING

21. AUDIENCE QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS: THERE WERE NO AUDIENCE COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS.

22. MAYORS & COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS~

THE MAYOR STATED I JUST WANT TO EXPLAIN SOMETHING WE HAVE FOUR (4) PROJECTS WE ARE WORKING ON RIGHT NOW. ONE OF THE PROJECTS IS THE RAMPS ON I-57. WE HAD A COMMUNITY ACTION COMMITTEE HERE AS WELL AS IDOT EARLIER TODAY FOR A MEETING TO GO OVER ALL OF THESE PLANS. IT IS GOING TO CHANGE THE COMPLEXION OF THE INTERSTATE HOW WE GET ON AND OFF THE INTERSTATE. WE ALSO TALKED ABOUT THE ROUNDABOUT, IDOT RUNS THE ENGINEERING FOR THESE PROJECTS, THE CITY OF WEST FRANKFORT DOES NOT. WE ALSO HAVE AN EDA GRANT FOR THE MALL WE ARE REPLACING THE PARKING LOT, AIR CONDITIONERS EXPANSION ON BOB BURTON WAY, TWO NEW ENTRANCES ONE INTO THE MORELAND PROPERTY AND ONE INTO MACH1. THOSE ARE GOING TO BE RIGHT IN AND RIGHT OUTS. IN TWO YEARS, THEY WILL GET TO DO THE BRIDGE ACROSS I-57. AND THE LAST THING IS WE HAVE WORK GOING ON RIGHT OUT HERE FROM DOUGLAS STREET TO LAFIESTA. THEY ARE REPLACING BOTH SIDE OF THE SIDEWALKS AND STORM SEWERS ALSO THE STREET SO IT WILL ALL BE NEW. FOUR (4) FOOT SIDEWALK ON THE SOUTH SIDE AND TEN (10) FOOT SIDEWALK ON THE NORTH SIDE OF MAIN STREET. THEY ARE HOPING TO GET MAIN STREET FINISHED BY THIS WINTER SEASON. ONCE THAT IS DONE, WE ARE GOING TO START ON FROM THE POST OFFICE TO MONROE STREET TAKING OUT ALL THE SIDEWALKS AND STREET LAMPS WE HAVE A GRANT FOR THAT AS WELL. THE MAYOR STATED HE IS THANKFUL THEY HAVE BEEN ABLE TO SECURE ALL THESE GRANTS FOR ALL THESE PROJECTS. ITS SOMEWHERE AROUND \$12 MILLION DOLLARS WE HAVE SECURED TO BENEFIT OUR COMMUNITY. WE HAVE THE SEWER PLANT, IT WAS ALMOST \$6

MILLION DOLLARS, TO UPGRADE IT. WHEN WE TALK ABOUT THESE BILLS, WE ARE PAYING A LOT OF MONEY OUT, BUT THE MONEY IS THERE BECAUSE A LOT OF IT IS GRANT MONEY.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS~THERE WERE NO COMMENTS AS THEY WANTED TO GO AHEAD AND GET INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION.

23. MAYOR JORDAN ASKED FOR APPROVAL TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS, UNION GRIEVANCES, PERSONNEL, AND/OR PENDING LITIGATION, AS WELL AS DISCUSS LITIGATION OF BIO MEDICAL APPLICATIONS OF ILLINOIS AGAINST THE CITY OF WEST FRANKFORT AND OTHERS, WITH POSSIBLE ACTION. COMMISSIONER HARKINS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STANLEY. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS ALONG WITH THE MAYOR VOTED YES. MOTION CARRIED. THE COUNCIL WENT INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 6:25 P.M.
24. THEY RETURNED FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION WHERE THEY TOOK NO ACTION.THE MAYOR NEEDS A MOTION TO GO BACK INTO REGULAR SESSION. COMMISSIONER HARKINS MADE A MOTION FOR APPROVAL, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STANLEY. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.
25. OUR RESULT OF OUR EXECUTIVE SESSION IS A RECOMMENDATION TO DENY THE GRIEVANCE FOR RON HOWARD AND TO ADOPT A WRITTEN RESPONSE FROM OUR ATTORNEY TO STEP 3. THAT'S THE RECOMMENDATION. COMMISSIONER SIMPSON MADE A MOTION FOR APPROVAL, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STANLEY. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

THE SECOND THING IS THAT WE NEED TO AUTHORIZE LEGAL COUNCIL TO FILE A COMPLAINT DECLARATORY JUDGEMENT AGAINST THE WEST FRANKFORT POLICE PENSION BOARD. COMMISSIONER SIMPSON MADE A MOTION FOR APPROVAL, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HARKINS. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

26. WITH NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO BE DISCUSSED, THE MEETING WAS
ADJOURNED ON A MOTION BY COMMISSIONER HARKINS AT 7:42 P.M.


MAYOR TOM JORDAN


ANGELA BAKER DEATON, CITY CLERK