**WEST FRANKFORT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**
**TUESDAY, MAY 26, 2026**

1. MAYOR ARVIEW 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.

2. MAYOR ARVIEW ASKED FOR APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA. THE MAYOR STATED WE DO HAVE ONE ITEM TO AMEND. IT'S A SMALL AMENDMENT, BUT JUST THE WORDING FOR ITEM NUMBER FOUR. WE WOULD NEED THAT AMENDED TO SAY APPROVAL OF A LETTER OF INTENT OR PURCHASE AGREEMENT TO SELL THE WEST FRANKFORT BUSINESS INCUBATOR. COMMISSIONER WARREN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE AMENDMENT, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HOWARD. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR ARVIEW VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

3. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF THE AMENDED AGENDA. COMMISSIONER HOWARD MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HARKINS. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR ARVIEW VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

4. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE MAY 12, 2026 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING. THE MAYOR ARVIEW STATED I ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO APPROVE ENTERING THOSE MINUTES INTO THE RECORD. COMMISSIONER WARREN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HOWARD. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR ARVIEW VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

5. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF A DONATION OF $4,700.00 TO THE WEST FRANKFORT CITY PARK FOR 4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION TO BE PAID FROM THE TOURISM FUND. THE MAYOR STATED THIS YEAR IS, AS MANY KNOW, A SPECIAL YEAR. IT'S OUR 250TH BIRTHDAY FOR THE COUNTRY. SO, WE PLAN TO HAVE, HOPEFULLY, A BIG CELEBRATION, BIG TURNOUT FOR THAT. COMMISSIONER STANLEY MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WARREN. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR ARVIEW VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

6. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF A LETTER OF INTENT OR PURCHASE AGREEMENT TO SELL THE WEST FRANKFORT BUSINESS INCUBATOR. THE MAYOR STATED WE ARE GOING TO MOVE THIS ITEM TO THE END AFTER EXECUTIVE SESSION.

7. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO AUTHORIZE CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE CITY OF WEST FRANKFORT TO BE RE-DECLARED AS SURPLUS REAL ESTATE AND TO ADVERTISE FOR SEALED BIDS FOR THE 100 BLOCK OF WEST 7TH, PARCEL NUMBER 11-24-231-008.

   THE MAYOR STATED ACUTALLY JON, I JUST SKIPPED RIGHT PASSED THAT. DO YOU WANT TO MENTION ANYTHING ABOUT NUMBER FOUR? MR. CANTRELL STATED NO, I JUST WANT THE COUNCIL TO KNOW. THE ITEM WILL BE DISCUSSED UNDER SECTION 2C-6. I THINK OF THE OPEN MEETING ACT, WE'RE ALLOWED TO DISCUSS IN EXECUTIVE SESSION SETTING THE PRICE FOR SELL OF REAL ESTATE. THERE WAS A FLURRY OF OFFERS AND NEGOTIATIONS TODAY, SO I WANT THE COUNCIL TO FULLY UNDERSTAND WHAT THE HIGHEST AND BEST OFFER IS BEFORE THE COUNCIL VOTES ON IT AFTER WE COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION.

   THE MAYOR STATED ITEM FIVE DO WE HAVE A MOTION TO APPROVE THAT? COMMISSIONER HOWARD MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE TO DECLARE THAT AS SURPLUS PROPERTY, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STANLEY. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR ARVIEW VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

8. THE NEXT ITEM WAS DISCUSSION WITH POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING ZONING BOARD RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE VARIANCE AS TO 713 NORTH PALMER STREET. MR. CANTRELL STATED THERE WAS A ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS HEARING. THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS MADE A DECISION THAT'S IN YOUR PACKETS. IT IS THEIR DECISION, BUT ULTIMATELY, IT'S A RECOMMENDATION TO THE CITY COUNCIL. THE RECOMMENDATION IS TO APPROVE THE REQUEST. THERE ARE QUITE A FEW CONDITIONS ON THERE, AND THE PROPERTY OWNER CAME TO THE ZONING BOARD HEARING AND INDICATED HE WOULD AGREE TO ALL THOSE CONDITIONS. WE WERE ABLE TO GO INTO EXECUTE SESSION AT THE HEARING AND BRING IN THE CODES OFFICER TO MAKE SURE EVERYONE ON THE BOARD, INCLUDING THE CODES OFFICER AND MYSELF, FELT LIKE THESE WERE GOOD CONDITIONS THAT WERE BE FINE IN THIS PARTICULAR NEIGHBORHOOD. MY RECOMMENDATION WOULD BE THAT THE COUNCIL APPROVE IT. COMMISSIONER HOWARD MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WARREN. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR ARVIEW VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

9. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE PROPOSED ADA TRANSITION PLAN FOR THE CITY OF WEST FRANKFORT. THE MAYOR STATED THIS IS REALLY JUST KIND OF A BARE BONES ADA TRANSITION PLAN. IT'S SOMETHING THAT WE HAVE TO HAVE BY FEDERAL GUIDELINES. WE CAN OBVIOUSLY AMEND AND APPEND THIS TRANSITION PLAN, BUT TO GET US COMPLIANT WITH ADA GUIDELINES, WE NEED TO HAVE A TRANSITION PLAN. I WOULD ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THIS TRANSITION PLAN. COMMISSIONER WARREN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STANLEY. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR ARVIEW VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

10. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION APPOINTING CERTAIN OFFICERS FOR THE CITY OF WEST FRANKFORT. THE MAYOR STATED WE ACTUALLY MISSED OVER THIS AT THE FIRST MEETING IN MAY, BUT YOU HAVE THE LIST THERE. NOW, WE DON'T HAVE ANYONE TO FILL THE FIRE CHIEF POSITION RIGHT NOW, SO I DON'T HAVE ANYONE APPOINTED FOR THAT, BUT PRETTY MUCH EVERYTHING ELSE IS EXACTLY THE SAME. WATER SUPERINTENDENT IS JACOB GASS, AND THE INCUBATOR AND MALL MANAGER- BRIAN VIERNUM. CITY ATTORNEY-JONATHAN CANTRELL, DEPUTY POLICE CHIEF- CLINT WILLIS, CITY CLERK- ANDREA BOLEN, DEPUTY CITY CLERK- ALEXA LEE, TREASURER- ABRA PHILLIPS, CODES OFFICER- THAD SNELL, STREET SUPERINTENDENT- MICHAEL BONNER, AND SEWER SUPERINTENDENT- MICHAELANGELO SIRENA. THOSE DIDN'T CHANGE. THE ONLY ONES THAT HAVE CHANGED ARE, YOU KNOW, WHERE WE HAD RETIREMENTS AND PEOPLE MOVED INTO, AND THEN OF COURSE THE RESIGNATION OF THE FIRE CHIEF LEAVES THAT POSITION VACANT RIGHT NOW. DO WE HAVE A MOTION TO APPROVE THOSE APPOINTMENTS? COMMISSIONER STANLEY MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HOWARD. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR ARVIEW VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

11. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF AN ORDINANCE FURTHER AMENDING THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WEST FRANKFORT CHAPTER 13.04 WATER UTILITY SECTION 13.04.340, WHICH IS RELATED TO OWNERSHIP, MAINTENANCE, REPAIR OF WATER METERS, BOXES, AND LIDS, TO CORRECT THE REFERENCES TO OWNERSHIP AS CURRENTLY STATED IN ORDINANCE NO. TA1-152. THE MAYOR STATED THIS IS THE ONE THAT WE APPROVED AT THE LAST MEETING, BUT IT HAD SOME INCORRECT LANGUAGE IN THERE, SO THIS IS THE AMENDMENT TO CORRECT THAT LANGUAGE. COMMISSIONER HOWARD ASKED THAT'S THE OWNERSHIP PORTION UNDER SECTION 2? THE MAYOR STATED CORRECT. COMMISSIONER

HOWARD MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STANLEY. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR ARVIEW VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

12. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH WIT & WISDOM FOR A REDEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT PROJECT UTILIZING TAX INCREMENT FINANCING IN THE AMOUNT OF $25,000.00 UP TO $40,000.00. THE MAYOR STATED THIS IS THE TIF AGREEMENT THAT WE HAD ALREADY DISCUSSED, BUT THIS IS THE ACTUAL AGREEMENT. COMMISSIONER WARREN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HARKINS. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR ARVIEW VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

13. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO ACCEPT BIDS FOR REPAVING AND STRIPING A CITY-OWNED PARKING LOT NEAR POPLAR / EMMA STREET, PARCEL NUMBER 12-19-306-003, PROJECT AND AWARD JOB TO APPLICANT. MR. CANTRELL STATED WOULD YOU CARE TO MAYBE READ ITEMS 12 AND 13, AND THE REASON WHY IS WE HAVE FOUR SEALED ENVELOPES UP HERE, AND TWO OF THEM ARE NOT LABELED AS TO WHAT PROJECT THEY'RE BIDDING ON. IN CASE I OPEN ONE AND IT'S FOR A LATER PROJECT; I WOULD JUST ASSUME TO TREAT THIS AS WE ARE OPENING BIDS FOR ALL THREE ITEMS. THE MAYOR STATED 11 THROUGH 13 ARE RELATED. ITEM 12 IS APPROVAL TO ACCEPT BIDS FOR REPAIRING AND RESURFACING OF ROADS NEAR THE WEST FRANKFORT NEW LAKE AND AWARD JOB TO APPLICANT. ITEM 13 IS APPROVAL TO ACCEPT BIDS FOR WEST FRANKFORT LAKE SPILLWAY MAINTENANCE AND VALVE REPAIRS PROJECT AND AWARD JOB TO APPLICANT. WE'VE GOT BIDS. WHAT THE ATTORNEY IS SAYING IS ONE OF THEM ISN'T REALLY LABELED, AND IT MAY BE ANY OF THOSE THREE.
MR. CANTRELL OPENED THE BIDS-
1. KODY'S ASPHALT PAVING ON THE EXTERIOR OF THE ENVEOPLE. BOWLING ALLEY PARKING LOT- CLEAN OFF PARKING LOT, MILL OUT SPOTS THAT ARE NEEDED, LAY SURFACE OF HOT ASPHALT, THEN RE-STRIP THE WHOLE PARKING LOT. - TOTAL PRICE $62,000.00 COLLECT HALF DOWN AT START OF THE JOB AND THE REST AT COMPLETION OF THE JOB.

2. SAMRON MIDWEST CONTRACTING. THIS ONE IS LABELED FOR THE PARKING LOT, REPAVING AND RESTRIPING. IT'S TOO LONG TO READ THE WHOLE THING. PARKING LOT BASE BID $48,780.00. ALLEYWAY BASE BID $3,810.00. I AM GOING TO READ TO MYSELF TO MAKE SURE THERE ARE NO UNUSUAL CONDITIONS IN HERE. ONE CONDITION

WORTH POINTING OUT, ALLEYWAY PRICING IS ONLY VALID IF DONE WITH PARKING LOT. IN OTHER WORDS, BOTH OR THEY DON'T GET THAT ONE. IF THE ASPHALT WORK IS NOT COMPLETED IN 2026, THEY RESERVE THE RIGHT TO ADJUST THEIR PRICE FOR OIL INCREASES. COMMISSIONER HOWARD ASKED DO THEY SAY ANYTHING ABOUT RESTRIPING? I BELIEVE THE OTHER BID DID. MR. CANTRELL STATED THE TITLE SAYS STRIPING, YES, UNDER THE PARKING LOT SECTION. STRIPE PARKING LOT TO ALLOW FOR MAXIMUM PARKING. SO THAT IS INCLUDED. ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS BID? OTHERWISE, IT LOOKS GOOD TO ME. THE MAYOR STATED THE TOTAL ON THAT WOULD BE $52,590.00 WITH BOTH OF THOSE COMBINED.

3. E.T. SIMONS CONSTRUCTION COMPANY. THE ENVELOPE DOESN'T SAY WHICH PROJECT IT'S FOR. IT IS FOR THE PARKING LOT AS WELL. $62,099.78. NOTHING UNUSUAL ABOUT THIS BID.

4. THE LAST ENVELOPE IS FROM ILLINI ASPHALT CORPORATION; IT DOES SAY WEST FRANKFORT CITY LAKE ROADS ON IT. SO THAT'S FROM ONE OF THE OTHER PROJECTS. THE MAYOR STATED THAT WOULD BE ITEM 12. THERE IS QUITE A FEW PAGES, SO I JUST WANT TO FLIP THROUGH THEM BEFORE I SAY SOMETHING STUPID. THEY INCLUDED AERIAL PHOTOS OF ALL THE ROADS THAT WERE MENTIONED IN OUR NOTICE THAT WE PUBLISHED. NOTHING UNUSAL THERE. AND THE TOTAL BID IS FOR $57,252.00. NOTHING ELSE UNUSUAL THERE.

THAT MEANS WE RECEIVED NO BIDS ON THE SPILLWAY PROJECT.

THE MAYOR STATED FOR ITEM 11, WE HAVE THREE BIDS. KODY'S ASPHALT, SAMRON, AND E.T. SIMONS. AND IT LOOKS LIKE SAMRON IS ACTUALLY THE CHEAPEST, AND THEY INCLUDE THE ALLEY. AND THAT'S $52,590.00 DO WE HAVE A MOTION TO APPROVE THAT BID? COMMISSIONER HOWARD MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE LOW BID FROM SAMRON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WARREN. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR ARVIEW VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

14. THE NEXT ITEM WAS ITEM 12, APPROVAL TO ACCEPT BIDS FOR REPAIRING AND RESURFACING OF ROADS NEAR THE WEST FRANKFORT NEW LAKE AND AWARD JOB TO APPLICANT. THE MAYOR STATED WE ONLY HAVE THE ONE BID. FROM ILLINI ASPHALT FOR $57,252.00. COMMISSIONER WARREN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STANLEY. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR ARVIEW VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION

CARRIED.

15. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO ACCEPT BIDS FOR WEST FRANKFORT LAKE SPILLWAY MAINTENANCE AND VALVE REPAIRS PROJECT AND AWARD JOB TO APPLICANT. THE MAYOR STATED AS NOTED, WE HAVE NO BIDS FOR ITEM 13.

16. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO PAY AN INVOICE FROM IMCO UTILITY SUPPLY COMPANY IN THE AMOUNT OF $1,905.00 FOR A METER INSTALL FOR THE WATER DEPARTMENT. COMMISSIONER STANLEY MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WARREN. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR ARVIEW VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

17. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO PAY AN INVOICE FROM DIRKSEN BROTHERS AG IN THE AMOUNT OF $23,996.75 REGARDING LAND APPLICATION OF SLUDGE FOR THE SEWER DEPARTMENT. COMMISSIONER STANLEY MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HOWARD. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR ARVIEW VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

18. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO PAY AN INVOICE FROM HAAS ALERT IN THE AMOUNT OF $1,499.00 FOR ANNUAL FEE FOR SAFETY CLOUD SERVICES FROM 3/30/26 TO 3/29/27 FOR THE WEST FRANKFORT FIRE DEPARTMENT. COMMISSIONER HARKINS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WARREN. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR ARVIEW VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

19. THE NEXT ITEM WAS DISCUSSION WITH POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF AN AGREEMENT AND APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION WITH IDOT AND THE CITY OF WEST FRANKFORT FOR RESURFACING AND SIGNAL MODIFICATION ON ILLINOIS ROUTE 37 AND ILLINOIS 149. THE MAYOR STATED MICHAEL BONNER, WOULD YOU CARE TO SPEAK TO THIS AND KIND OF GIVE A RECOMMENDATION TO THE COUNCIL ON THIS? I KNOW WE TALKED ABOUT IT. MR. BONNER STATED WHAT THEY'RE DOING IS THEY'RE WANTING TO COME IN. THEY GOT TO MODIFY TO THE ADA REQUIREMENTS. AND I THINK IN DOING THAT, THEY'RE GOING TO HAVE TO DO SOME CONCRETE WORK AND TIE IN OUR SIDEWALKS AND DO SOME LIGHT REPAIRS AND GET EVERYTHING UP TO DATE

WITH THE CAMERAS. THE CITY'S COST ON THAT WOULD BE $100,000.00 AND WE ENDED UP TALKING TO THEM. AND THEY AGREED TO DO $25,000.00 A YEAR TO COVER THE COST INSTEAD OF DOING IT ALL AT ONCE. THIS WILL BE OUT OF MFT FUNDS. COMMISSIONER STANLEY MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WARREN. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR ARVIEW VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

20. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO PAY AN INVOICE FROM SOUTHERN ILLINOIS DRUG TASK FORCE IN THE AMOUNT OF $8,000.00 FOR THE ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FOR JULY 1ST, 2026 TO JUNE 30TH, 2027 FOR THE WEST FRANKFORT POLICE DEPARTMENT. COMMISSIONER HARKINS STATED CHIEF, I GUESS THIS IS SOMETHING WE DO EVERY YEAR FOR THAT? DEPUTY CHIEF WILLIS STATED WE WORKED WELL IN THE LAST COUPLE OF MONTHS AND IT HAS DEFINATLEY PAID FOR ITS SELF TO HAVE THOSE KIND OF RESOURCES AND AGENTS WITH US. COMMISSIONER HARKINS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HOWARD. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR ARVIEW VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

21. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO PAY AN INVOICE FROM MES SERVICES COMPANY, LLC IN THE AMOUNT OF $1,637.47 FOR YEARLY TESTING OF AIR PACKS FOR THE WEST FRANKFORT FIRE DEPARTMENT. COMMISSIONER HARKINS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WARREN. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR ARVIEW VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

22. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO PAY AN INVOICE FROM JOHNSON'S AUTO AND TRUCK REPAIR IN THE AMOUNT OF $4,890.53 FOR REPAIRS AND TIRES ON THE 2016 DODGE A1 FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. COMMISSIONER HARKINS STATED WE HAD TO HAVE THOSE TIRES REPLACED BEFORE THEY WOULD EVEN PASS THE YEARLY ROAD TEST. COMMISSIONER HARKINS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WARREN. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR ARVIEW VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

23. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO PAY AN INVOICE FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS IN THE AMOUNT OF $3,150.00 FOR NFPA (2) FIRE OFFICER 1 TRAINING FOR THE WEST FRANKFORT FIRE DEPARTMENT. THE MAYOR STATED THIS IS TRAINING FOR TWO OF

THEM, JOHN MURPHY AND MICHAEL FRAULINI. COMMISSIONER HARKINS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WARREN. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR ARVIEW VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

24. 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 JULY 2026 WORKERS' COMPENSATION.

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

**BUILDING AND SIGN PERMITS** ~ THE MAYOR STATED ONE PERMIT FOR BRIAN AARON 405 N TAFT, FOR GROUND MOUNTED SOLAR. I DON'T SEE A RECOMMENDATION ONE WAY OR THE OTHER FROM THAD, DO ANY OF YOU? HE HASN'T SAID ANYTHING TO ME, SO I ASSUME IT IS ALL GOOD. COMMISSIONER HARKINS STATED IT LOOKS LIKE ITS GOOD. COMMISSIONER HARKINS MADE A MOTION FOR APPROVAL, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HOWARD ASSUMING IT MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR ARVIEW VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

25. **MAYORS REPORT~**

MAYOR ARVIEW STATED DON'T REALLY HAVE ANYTHING TO DISCUSS THIS TIME AROUND, EXCEPT, LIKE I SAID, WE ARE GETTING KIND OF GEARED UP FOR JULY, WHICH IS STILL A COUPLE MONTHS AWAY. BUT I THINK THIS IS GOING TO BE AN EXCITING FOURTH OF JULY. DANNY, I'M SURE, PROBABLY GOING TO HAVE SOME THINGS GOING AT THE MUSEUM AND DIFFERENT THINGS LIKE THAT. I JUST ENCOURAGE ANYBODY AND EVERYBODY TO PARTICIPATE IN ALL THOSE THINGS.

**COMMISSIONER REPORTS~**

COMMISSIONER HARKINS STATED WELL, WE HAD A TRAINING FOR NEW APPLICANTS FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT OVER THE WEEKEND, SATURDAY. AND 18 APPLIED. I THINK 11 THAT SHOWED UP, AND THEY ALL PASSED. PASSED A WRITTEN EXAM, AS FAR AS I KNOW, AND THE

PHYSICAL EXAM. AND AS FAR AS THE POLICE DEPARTMENT. CHIEF, I THINK WE'RE HANGING IN THERE.

COMMISSIONER HOWARD STATED WORKING ON GETTING PLANS FOR THIS FISCAL YEAR IN TERMS OF APPROPRIATION. AND MET WITH THE DEPARTMENT HEADS AND GOT INPUT FROM THEM AS TO WHAT MAY BE NEEDED IN DIFFERENT DEPARTMENTS. NOT THE FIRE, BECAUSE THEY DON'T HAVE A DEPARTMENT HEAD RIGHT NOW. BUT I MET WITH THE POLICE, THE STREET, WATER, SEWER, CODES OFFICER. I'VE TALKED TO A COUPLE OF OTHER PEOPLE. TALKED TO BRIAN OUT AT THE MALL. SO WE'RE WORKING ON THAT. WE'VE GOT ANOTHER MONTH DONE ON GETTING ACCOUNTS RECONCILED. WE'RE MAKING PROGRESS EVERY WEEK. NOT AS FAST AS I WANT IT TO BE, BUT IT'S GOING.

COMMISSIONER STANLEY STATED MICHAEL'S GETTING THE ROADS READY TO START OIL AND CHIPPING NEXT WEEK? MR BONNER STATED ON JUNE 1st. WATER DEPARTMENT HAD ANOTHER BREAK TODAY; YOU'RE HANGING IN THERE. YOU'RE DOING GOOD. I APPRECIATE IT. THESE GUYS ARE GETTING PRETTY BUSY.

COMMISSIONER WARREN STATED I'M ALL GOOD. I DON'T REALLY HAVE ANYTHING TO SAY RIGHT NOW ABOUT ANY BUILDINGS OR ANYTHING.

26. **CITY ATTORNEY REPORT:** MR. CANTRELL STATED JUST FOR THE PUBLIC'S BENEFIT, THAT ITEM NUMBER FOUR THAT WE SKIPPED WE WILL DISCUSS IN EXECUTIVE SESSION. I SUSPECT IT WILL BE A LARGELY SYMBOLIC VOTE TO APPROVE THE HIGHEST OFFER AS OF AN HOUR AND A HALF AGO OR TWO HOURS AGO. WITH A FORMAL PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT ON THE AGENDA, TWO WEEKS FROM NOW BE APPROVED. IF THINGS GO, THE WAY, I EXPECT THEM IN EXECUTIVE SESSION. I JUST WANTED TO LET EVERYBODY KNOW IN CASE FOLKS DECIDE TO LEAVE. THE MAYOR STATED YEAH, WE WILL BE VOTING ON ITEM FOUR AFTER WE COME BACK FROM EXECUTIVE. BUT LIKE HE SAID, WE DON'T REALLY EXPECT ANYTHING TO CHANGE EXCEPT THAT WE WILL ACCEPT THE HIGHEST OFFER. BUT WE'LL LET THE ATTORNEY FILL US IN ON EVERYTHING SO THAT WE CAN MAKE AN INFORMED DECISION AT THAT TIME.

27. **AUDIENCE COMMENTS**:

MY NAME IS DANNY LOEH. I'M VICE CURATOR OF THE MILITARY

MUSEUM, WHICH YOU ALL ALREADY KNOW. I WANT TO THANK ROGER, HIS GROUP, AND ALSO THE IBEW THAT CAME DOWN AND HELPED US WITH THE MUSEUM PAINTING. I HAVE HAD SO MANY CALLS AND SO MANY COMMENTS ON HOW WONDERFUL IT LOOKS. I THINK IT LOOKS JUST LIKE WASHINGTON, D.C. MYSELF. WE HAD A REALLY GOOD SERVICE MEMORIAL DAY. APPRECIATE EVERYBODY THAT CAME. MY BIG THING IS THE MILITARY MUSEUM; IS VERY IMPORTANT TO ME. I'M PROTECTING OUR MILITARY HISTORY. WE'RE LOSING IT EVERY DAY. I'VE HAD SO MANY ITEMS THAT HAVE BEEN BROUGHT IN LATELY. I HAVE MANY ITEMS THAT ARE BROUGHT IN EVERY WEEK THAT WE'RE TRYING TO PRESERVE OUR MILITARY HISTORY. FAMILIES THAT BRING THEIR ITEMS IN. I HAD A WOMAN COME IN, AND SHE BROUGHT ME HER GRANDFATHER'S FLAG THAT COVERED HIS COFFIN, FOR US TO PROTECT IT. MY PROMISE IS TO EVERY FAMILY MEMBER THAT BRINGS SOMETHING TO THE MUSEUM, IT STAYS IN THE MUSEUM. IF THEY WANT TO SEE IT, THEY GET AHOLD OF ME, AND I'LL MAKE SURE THEY GET TO SEE IT. THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

THE MAYOR STATED FOR THOSE WHO AREN'T AWARE, BECAUSE DANNY SAID SOMEONE ACTUALLY ASKED HIM, DIDN'T KNOW WE HAD A MUSEUM IN WEST FRANKFORT AND WHERE IT IS. IT'S RIGHT NEXT TO THE RAILROAD TRACKS. IT USED TO BE A TRAIN DEPOT, SO WE CONVERTED IT INTO A MILITARY MUSEUM. HE'S GOT A LOT OF COOL STUFF IN THERE.

28. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR DISCUSSION PURSUANT TO 5 ILCS 120/2(C) (1), 5 ILCS 120/2 (C) (5), A5 ILCS 120/2 (C) (6) AND 5 ILCS 120/2 (C) (11). WHICH HAS TO DO WITH PERSONNEL BUYING AND SELLING REAL ESTATE AND LITIGATION. AT 6:32 P.M. COMMISSIONER HARKINS MADE A MOTION FOR APPROVAL, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STANLEY. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR ARVIEW VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED. THE MAYOR STATED AS I SAID, WE WILL HAVE THAT ONE ITEM TO VOTE ON, SO IF ANYONE WANTS TO STICK AROUND, YOU'RE WELCOME TO, BUT PENDING ANYTHING CHANGING, WE JUST EXPECT TO ACCEPT THE HIGHEST OFFER.

29. MAYOR ARVIEW ASKED FOR A MOTION TO RETURN TO OPEN SESSION AT 6:55 P.M. COMMISSIONER HARKINS MADE A MOTION FOR APPROVAL, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STANLEY. ROLL CALL

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

30. THEN AS DISCUSSED, WE NEED TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE AGREEMENT OR CREATING A PURCHASE AGREEMENT TO SELL THE WEST FRANKFORT BUSINESS INCUBATOR, AND IT WOULD BE TO THE HIGHEST OFFER, WHICH CURRENTLY IS ONE MILLION FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS, CORRECT? MR. CANTRELL STATED YEAH, YOU HAVE THE OTHER OFFER DID NOT ACCOUNT FOR COMMISSION, THIS IS ONE MILLION FIFTY THOUSAND NET WHICH IS THE HIGH OFFER WHEN YOU TAKE INTO ACCOUNT COMMISSION. AND WE ALSO DISCUSSED SOME OTHER CONDITIONS AS PART OF THIS AGREEMENT IN CLOSED SESSION, ONE OF THEM BEING THAT THERE WILL BE A FINAL PURCHASE AGREEMENT IN TWO WEEKS.

    THE MAYOR STATED WE WILL ACTUALLY APPROVE THE PURCHASE AGREEMENT IN THE NEXT MEETING, BUT THIS IS JUST APPROVAL TO ACCEPT THE OFFER OF ONE MILLION FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS FROM WALLACE. COMMISSIONER HOWARD MADE A MOTION FOR APPROVAL OF THE OFFER OF ONE MILLION FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS FROM WALLACE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WARREN. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR ARVIEW VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

31. WITH NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO BE DISCUSSED, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED ON A MOTION BY COMMISSIONER HARKINS AT 6:58 P.M. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STANLEY. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR ARVIEW VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

MAYOR, TIM ARVIEW

ANDREA BOLEN, CITY CLERK