WEST FRANKFORT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 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 WAS NOT PRESENT.

2. COMMISSIONER HOWARD STATED THE FIRST ITEM IS WE HAVE AN AMENDMENT TO THE AGENDA. THE AMENDMENT IS TO CONSIDER AND RESUBMIT AND COLLECT, ASK FOR BIDS AND RESUBMIT FOR THE PLANTSCAPE PROJECT THAT WAS ORIGINALLY PLANNED FOR TWO MORE BLOCKS IN THE DOWNTOWN. IT'S CALLED STREETSCAPE, AND SO THAT BEING SAID I WOULD ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO APPROVE THE AMENDED AGENDA. COMMISSIONER HARKINS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STANLEY. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

3. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE AUGUST 25, 2026 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING. COMMISSIONER HOWARD STATED IF NO ONE SEES ANY CORRECTIONS THAT NEED TO BE MADE. I'D ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO APPROVE THOSE MINUTES. COMMISSIONER HARKINS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WARREN. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

4. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL, TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR DEMOLITION FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 310 SOUTH ODLE. THOSE BIDS WILL BE OPENED AT THE SEPTEMBER 22, 2026 MEETING. COMMSSIONER HOWARD STATED I ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR DEMOLITION OF THAT PROPERTY. COMMISSIONER STANLEY MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WARREN. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

5. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO DONATE OUR OUT-OF-SERVICE POLICE RADIOS TO THE WEST FRANKFORT SCHOOL DISTRICT. ARE THESE MOSTLY TWO-WAY RADIOS? DEPUTY POLICE CHIEF STATED YES. HANDHELD TWO-WAYS. SINCE WE WENT DIGITAL, THESE WERE JUST ANALOG. THAT'S WHAT THE SCHOOL CURRENTLY USES. WE HAVE NO USE FOR THEM. THEY'RE OUTDATED. THEY DON'T WANT THEM BACK. THE SCHOOL WAS IN THE PROCESS OF PURCHASING SOME. I SPOKE WITH THE PRINCIPAL AND I INQUIRED IF HE WOULD

BE INTERESTED. HE SAID THAT WOULD BE MUCH APPRECIATED, SO I WANTED TO BRING IT UP TO YOU GUYS. COMMISSIONER HARKINS MADE THE MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STANLEY. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

6. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION TO APPOINT JUSTIN SAILLIEZ TO THE CITY OF WEST FRANKFORT POLICE DEPARTMENT PENSION BOARD. COMMISSIONER HOWARD STATED WE'RE GOING TO TABLE. AT THIS POINT IN TIME, MAKE SURE THAT THAT IS DONE CORRECTLY ON THE ADVICE OF THE ATTORNEY. THIS ITEM WAS TABLED.

7. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF THE UPDATED NON-UNION JOB DESCRIPTIONS FOR DEPARTMENT HEADS, APPOINTED OFFICERS, AND CITY HALL ADMINISTRATION. COMMISSIONER HOWARD STATED WE'RE ALSO, ON ADVICE OF ATTORNEY, GOING TO TABLE BECAUSE THAT JOB DESCRIPTIONS HAVE NOT BEEN FULLY VIEWED AND WRITTEN AND NOT EVERYONE'S HAD A CHANCE TO REVIEW THOSE. THIS ITEM WAS TABLED.

8. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF THE LIBERTY ON MAIN STREET EVENT TO BE HELD AT THE VETERAN'S MUSEUM ON SEPTEMBER 11, 2026 AT 5:00 P.M. COMMISSIONER HOWARD STATED I WOULD ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO APPROVE THAT. 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 DISCUSSION WITH POSSIBLE ACTION, REGARDING USE OF THE GREENSPACE AT 300 E. MAIN FOR FAMILIY HOMECOMING MOVIE NIGHT TO BE HELD ON SEPTEMBER 19, 2026 IN THE PARK. 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 INVOICE FROM MARMIC FIRE & SAFETY IN THE AMOUNT OF $2,975.62 FOR YEARLY INSPECTIONS OF FIRE EXTINGUISHERS & RECHARGING FOR THE WEST FRANKFORT FIRE DEPARTMENT. COMMISSIONER HARKINS 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 OF AN INVOICE FROM JOHNSON'S AUTO AND TRUCK REPAIR IN THE AMOUNT OF $1,687.42 FOR OIL AND FLUID CHANGE IN THE 1991 PIERCE FIRE ENGINE, WHICH IS LABELED ENGINE NUMBER ONE FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. COMMISSIONER HARKINS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WARREN. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

12. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF AN INVOICE FROM LOUCH MULLER ENGINEERING GROUP, AND IT'S FOR $117,270.07 FOR PHASE TWO ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE ILLINOIS 149 AND I-57 INTERCHANGE MODIFICATION. COMMISSIONER HOWARD STATED THAT'S AN ONGOING PROJECT, AND THIS DOES NOT COME FROM THE GENERAL FUND, IT COMES FROM THE REBUILD ILLINOIS FUND, SO THOSE ARE USED UP, AND THEN IT'S 80% IS TO BE REIMBURSED BY THE STATE, THE OTHER 20% WE EITHER PAY OUT OF BUILD ILLINOIS, OR TIF 1. IT'S NOT COMING OUT OF THE GENERAL FUND, JUST FYI, SO EVERYBODY WILL KNOW THAT. I ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO APPROVE THE PAYMENT OF THAT INVOICE. 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 APPROVAL TO CONSIDER A MOTION TO RESUBMIT STREETSCAPE PROJECT TO IDOT AS PREVIOUSLY BID WITH A REVISED COST ESTIMATE AND TO READVERTISE PROJECT AFTER IDOT APPROVAL. COMMISSIONER HOWARD STATED THE AMENDED ITEM THAT I SPOKE ABOUT BEFORE WE STARTED, TO RESUBMIT THE STREETSCAPE PROJECT TO IDOT, AND THEY'LL HAVE, THEY'LL HAVE TO RE-ADVERTISE, REVISE COST ESTIMATE, RE-ADVERTISE FOR BIDS, AND ALL THAT, SO I WOULD ENTERTAIN A MOTION THAT WE APPROVE THAT RESUBMISSION. COMMISSIONER STANLEY MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HARKINS. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

14. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF A SURVEY FOR LAKE LOT LEASE 7A FOR GARY MARVEL. COMMISSIONER WARREN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STANLEY. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

15. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF A SURVEY FOR LAKE LOT LEASE

18B AND 18C FOR TODD TAYLOR. COMMISSIONER WARREN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STANLEY. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

16. THE NEXT ITEM WAS THE CONSENT AGENDA:
    a. APPROVAL TO PAY BILLS.
    b. APPROVAL TO PAY INVOICE FROM JOHNSON'S AUTO & TRUCK REPAIR IN THE AMOUNT OF $10,139.79 ON 2/20/26 REGARDING ROUTINE MAINTENANCE ON 1999 PIERCE FIRE ENGINE FOR WEST FRANKFORT FIRE DEPARTMENT.
    c. APPROVAL TO PAY AN INVOICE FROM NOVACOM IN THE AMOUNT OF $2,149.95 FROM 7/9/2026 FOR FIVE PAGERS FOR WEST FRANKFORT FIRE DEPARTMENT.
    d. APPROVAL TO PAY AN INVOICES FROM MID AMERICA FIRE & SAFETY LLC IN THE AMOUNT OF $1,635.19 FOR TWO BOOTS AND HARNESS FOR THE WEST FRANKFORT FIRE DEPARTMENT.
    e. APPROVAL TO PAY AN INVOICE FROM REDROBN HOME CENTER IN THE AMOUNT OF $1,994.98 FOR REPLACEMENT DOOR FOR WEST FRANKFORT FIRE.
    f. APPROVAL TO PAY AN INVOICE FROM JOHNSON'S AUTO & TRUCK REPAIR IN THE AMOUNT OF $2,054.66 FOR REPLACEMENT BATTERIES FOR ENGINE 3 FOR WEST FRANKFORT FIRE DEPARTMENT.

COMMISSIONER HOWARD STATED THE NEXT ITEM IS THE CONSENT AGENDA AND APPROVAL TO PAY BILLS. I WANT TO POINT OUT THAT IN THAT LIST IS A BILL FROM JOHNSON'S AUTO AND TRUCK REPAIR FOR MAINTENANCE ON PIERCE FIRE ENGINE FOR THE WEST FRANKFORT FIRE DEPARTMENT. THAT INVOICE WAS DATED 2/20/2026, JUST NOW GOT TURNED IN. ALSO, THERE'S ONE DATED 7/9/2026 FROM NOVACOM FOR FIVE PAGERS FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. THAT WAS FOR $2,149.95. THERE'S ANOTHER ONE ON 4/7/2026 FOR TWO BOOTS AND HARNESSES, FOR $1,635.19. THEN THERE'S AN INVOICE FROM RED ROBN FOR A REPLACEMENT DOOR AT THE FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR $1,994.98. AGAIN, THAT ONE IS DATED 7/31/2026. THEN ANOTHER APPROVAL TO PAY AN INVOICE FROM JOHNSON'S FOR REPLACEMENT BATTERIES FOR ENGINE NUMBER THREE. THAT ONE IS DATED 7/29/2026. IT'S FOR $2,054.66. THE REASON THAT I WANTED TO POINT THOSE OUT WAS I WANTED TO POINT OUT THOSE ALL OCCURRED BEFORE THE NEW FIRE CHIEF CAME AND DID NOT GET TURNED IN UNTIL HE CAME. OTHER THAN THAT, WE HAVE THE REGULAR NORMAL BILLS TO APPROVE PLUS THOSE. IF YOU WANT TO SEGREGATE ANY OF THOSE OUT, LET ME

KNOW. OTHERWISE, WE'LL APPROVE THE WHOLE BATCH ALONG WITH THE REST OF THE BILLS. COMMISSIONER WARREN ASKED WHICH ACCOUNT IS THE DOOR BEING PAID FROM? COMMISSIONER HOWARD STATED THE GENERAL FUND. COMMISSIONER WARREN STATED I HAD TOLD THEM SINCE I AM BUILDINGS THAT BUILDING IS GOING TO PAY FOR IT OUT OF THE BUILDING FUND. COMMISSIONER HOWARD STATED WE WILL CHECK ON THAT AND SEE. I DO NOT KNOW IF WE HAVE A BUILDING FUND FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT BUILDING. COMMISSIONER WARREN STATED IT WOULDN'T BE JUST FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT ITS FOR THE BUILDINGS. COMMISSIONER HOWARD STATED WE DO NOT HAVE A SEPARATE CHECKING ACCOUNT FOR THAT. COMMISSIONER WARREN STATED DO WE NOT HAVE AN ACCOUNT FOR BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS? COMMISSIONER HOWARD STATED A BUDGET ACCOUNT NOT A CASH ACCOUNT, ITS IN THE GENERAL FUND EXCEPT FOR THE LAKE, AND THE MALL. COMMISSIONER WARREN STATED I KNOW EVERYTHING IS IN THE GENERAL FUND, I DIDN'T KNOW IF THERE WAS A LINE ITEM FOR THAT. COMMISSIONER HOWARD STATED YES IN THE BUDGET LINE ITEM FOR THAT, BUT THAT IS SEPARATE THING. BUT YES, IT WILL BE CHARGED TO THAT BUDGET LINE ITEM FOR BUILDING AND REPAIR MAINTENANCE. COMMISSIONER WARREN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STANLEY. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED

17. **BUILDING AND SIGN PERMITS** ~ THE CODES OFFICER WAS NOT PRESENT. SOLAR PERMIT FOR VICTORIA FOLLOWELL AT 620 W. ST. LOUIS ST. ROOF MOUNT RESIDENTAIL. CONTRACTOR IS ONE EARTH SOLAR. COMMISSIONER HARKINS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WARREN. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

18. **OFFICER'S REPORT** ~

FIRE REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST 2026. COMMISSIONER HOWARD STATED THE FIRE CHIEF IS NOT HERE, BUT HE DID SUBMIT A REPORT. 248 TOTAL CALLS, EMS DENNING TOWNSHIP: 32 (1 MUTUAL AID AMBULANCE USED), FIRE DENNING TOWNSHIP:1 (FIRE ALARM), EMS FRANKFORT TOWNSHIP:4, FIRE FRANKFORT TOWNSHIP:0, AUTO AID GIVEN FIRE:4 (BENTON FD), MUTUAL AID GIVEN EMS:2, MUTUAL AID GIVEN:2 (1 HAZMAT, 1 DIVE), EMS IN TOWN:185 (5 MUTUAL AID AMBULANCE USED), FIRE IN TOWN: 10 (1 STRUCTURE FIRE, 3 FIRE ALARMS, 1 VEHICLE, 5 ILLEGAL BURN), HAZMAT IN TOWN: 6 (5 GAS LEAK, 1 CO ALARM)

POLICE REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST 2026. DEPUTY CHIEF OD POLICE WILLIS REPORTED OFFICERS ANSWERED A TOTAL OF 702 CALLS FOR SERVICE. OF THOSE CALLS 20 WERE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS, 3 WITH INJURIES. OFFICERS RESPONDED TO 30 DOMESTIC DISPUTES, 4 FIGHTS IN PROGRESS, 15 ALARMS, 3 INTOXICATED PERSONS, 5 BURGLARIES, 7 REPORTS OF CRIMINAL DAMAGE TO PROPERTY, 20 COMPLAINTS OF JUVENILE PROBLEMS, 36 REPORTED THEFTS, AND 27 COMPLAINTS OF DISORDERLY CONDUCT/DISTURBANCES. AND OFFICERS MADE 16 STREET CONTACTS. OFFICERS CONDUCTED 118 TRAFFIC STOPS, WHERE THEY ISSUED 38 CITIATIONS, 91 WARNINGS, AND 8 LW-27'S. THERE WERE 74 ADULT ARRESTS MADE AND 0 JUVENILE ARREST, RESULTING IN 106 CRIMINAL CHARGES FILED.

DISPATCHERS ANSWERED 820 CALLS.
OF THOSE, 496 WERE 9-1-1 CALLS, 175 WERE WALK IN REQUESTS. 702 WERE FOR POLICE. FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST, WE COLLECTED $2,387.14 IN FINES AND FEES.

STREET DEPARTMENT REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST 2026: WE'VE BEEN WORKING ON SOUTH LINCOLN STREET, DOING ADA IMPROVEMENTS THROUGHOUT THERE FOR THE PARK, AND THE SCHOOLS, AND A LOT OF FOOT TRAFFIC. WE'VE BEEN DOING A LOT OF ALLEY MILLING, REDOING ALLEYS THROUGHOUT THE CITY. WE ARE WORKING ON THE SOUTHEAST SIDE OF TOWN RIGHT NOW, AND WE ARE ALMOST TO THAT WHOLE SIDE. THEY'VE BEEN DOING REALLY GOOD ON THAT. WE'VE BEEN CONTINUING MOWING AND SIDE-MOWING CITY LOTS AND CITY DITCHES THROUGHOUT TOWN, KEEPING THE VISIBILITY AROUND CORNERS AND EVERYTHING THE BEST WE CAN. SO ON TOP OF THAT WORK, WE'VE GOT THE NEW PROGRAM UP AND GOING. IT'S BEEN WORKING OUT REAL GREAT. FOR THE FIRST WEEK, WE'VE HAD AN ADDITIONAL 52 JOBS, AND THE GUY'S ALL COMPLETED. WITH THE WEATHER BEING HOT AS IT HAS BEEN, I'M REALLY PROUD OF THE GUYS AND ALL THE WORK THEY'VE BEEN DOING, AND I HOPE THEY KEEP IT UP.

WATER DEPATMENT REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST 2026: WE HAD THREE REPAIRS FOR THE MONTH. ONE WAS A FOUR-INCH LINE ON BENCIE LANE, AND WE HELPED OUT WITH A THREE-QUARTER-INCH SERVICE AT THE VETERANS MEMORIAL, AND A THREE-QUARTER-INCH SERVICE LINE ON CAPRICE ROAD. WE DID 99 JULIES 5 OF THOSE WERE EMERGENCY JULIES. WORKED ON 92 METERS

FOR THE MONTH. TOOK 157 SAMPLES, 62 CHLORINE, 72 NAP, 10 BACTERIA. 12 THMS, AND 1 BOIL ORDER SAMPLE. WE COMPLETED 303 CUSTOMER REQUESTS FOR THE MONTH. 25 DISCONNECTS, 42 CONNECTS, 35 RECONNECTS, 92 METER CHANGE-OUTS, 100 METER CHECKS, AND 9 TRANSFERS. WE PURCHASED 18,080,800 GALLONS. WEST FRANKFORT CUSTOMERS USED 17,483,800 OF THOSE GALLONS. ORIENT PURCHASED 48,400 FROM US. PLUMFIELD PURCHASED 903,200, AND THE SEWER DEPARTMENT USED 58,500 GALLONS. WE COLLECTED $106,369.54 FOR WATER, $47,710.61 FOR SANITATION, AND SEVERAL OTHER MISCELLANEOUS FEES FOR A TOTAL OF $249,300.00

SEWER DEPARTMENT REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST 2026: THE SEWER DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL CONTINUED TO WORK EFFICIENTLY AND DILIGENTLY TO MAINTAIN THE SEWER COLLECTION SYSTEM AND WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT. 99 SEWER LOCATES, INCLUDING 4 EMERGENCY JULIES. 158 WATER SAMPLES WERE COLLECTED AND TESTED TO ENSURE CPOMPLIANCE WITH ILLINOIS EPA REQUIREMENTS. ALL RESULTS WERE WITHIN THE NORMAL ACCEPTABLE RANGE. DIGESTIVE SLUDGE SAMPLES WERE COLLECTED AND SUBMITTED. THE SEWER DEPARTMENT CONTINUED SCHEDULED MAINTENANCE THROUGHOUT OUR COLLECTION SYSTEM AND KEPT UP WITH THE MAINTENANCE AT ALL LIFT STATIONS. THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT OPERATING NUMBERS CONTINUE TO BE VERY GOOD, WITH THE PLANT OPERATING EFFICIENTLY. THE SEWER DEPARTMENT COLLECTED A TOTAL OF $80,879.63. THE SEWER DEPARTMENT AND PERSONNEL CONTINUE TO DO AN EXCELLENT JOB MAINTAINING THE COLLECTION SYSTEM, KEEPING THE LIFT STATIONS UP TO DATE, AND MAINTAINING THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT. THE DEPARTMENT REMAINS COMMITTED TO SCHEDULED MAINTENANCE, REGUALTORY COMPLIANCE, AND RELIABLE OPERATION OF THE CITY'S SEWER SYSTEM.

19. **MAYORS REPORT~**

THE MAYOR WAS NOT PRESENT.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS~

COMMISSIONER HARKINS STATED WELL, OF COURSE THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, POLICE DEPARTMENT, WE'VE ALL BEEN BUSY, BUT WE

ALSO HAVE ONE PIECE OF EQUIPMENT BROKEN DOWN FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. I DON'T KNOW WHEN IT'S GOING TO GET BACK IN ORDER, THE AERIAL LADDER, BUT WE DO HAVE A BACKUP FROM THE OTHER TOWNS IF WE DO NEED IT. BUT WHEN IT'S GOING TO GET REPAIRED, I HAVE NO IDEA. COMMISSIONER HOWARD STATED I UNDERSTAND THAT'S A PROBLEM WITH GETTING PARTS AND GETTING IT SCHEDULED.

COMMISSIONER HOWARD STATED I'M HAPPY TO REPORT THAT ALL THE TRIAL BALANCES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED APRIL 30TH, 2025 HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED TO THE AUDITORS ALONG WITH REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION, AND THE BALL'S IN THEIR COURT NOW. FINALLY GOT IT OUT OF OUR COURT, AND I'M THRILLED ABOUT THAT.

COMMISSIONER STANLEY STATED WELL, YOU HEARD FROM ALL MY GUYS. THEY'RE BUSY AND KEEPING THINGS GOING. I'M PROUD OF WHAT THEY DO. WE HAVE THREE GOOD CREWS.

COMMISSIONER WARREN STATED I DON'T HAVE ANYTHING FOR BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS, BUT I WILL SAY THAT FRIDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL, SEPTEMBER 11, 2026, IT'S GAME NIGHT. THEY SAY, BLACKOUT FOR CANCER, MILITARY AND FIRST RESPONDER APPRECIATION NIGHT. SO, EVERYBODY GO TO THE FOOTBALL GAME TO SUPPORT ALL THESE GREAT PEOPLE ON SEPTEMBER 11, 2026. AND WE'RE UNDEFEATED. IT'S GOING TO BE A GOOD GAME.

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT: I JUST WANTED TO CONFIRM THAT IT WAS AT MY REQUEST THAT WE TABLED THOSE TWO ITEMS. IT'S A TIME CRUNCH, AND I WANTED TO MAKE SURE WE DO THOSE CORRECTLY. THE SALE OF THE BUSINESS INCUBATOR IS MOVING ALONG. LIKE I SAID BEFORE, WITH ALL THE TENANTS THAT ARE CHANGING LANDLORDS, IT'S A BIT OF AN ISSUE TO MAKE SURE EVERYBODY'S ON THE SAME PAGE. BUT IT'S STARTING TO LOOK LIKE WE MIGHT CLOSE WITHIN THE NEXT WEEK OR FEW WEEKS. IT'S ACTUALLY MOVED ALONG A BIT FASTER THAN I EXPECTED, WHICH IS A GOOD THING.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS:

DANNY LOEH STATED I'M VICE CURATOR OF THE MILITARY MUSEUM. I WANT TO THANK THE CITY. THE CITY WORKERS, THE WATER DEPARTMENT, OUR STREET DEPARTMENT, OUR FIRE

DEPARTMENT, EVEN OUR POLICE DEPARTMENT. BUT I'M REALLY EXCITED ABOUT FRIDAY, OUR EVENT THAT'S GOING TO BE AT THE HIGH SCHOOL. IF YOU CAN ATTEND, PLEASE COME. PLEASE COME TO OUR EVENT AT THE MUSEUM AT 5 O'CLOCK. I RECEIVED A PHONE CALL FROM A BOY, AND HE IS COMING TO OUR EVENT AT THE MUSEUM FROM SOUTH DAKOTA TO HONOR HIS VETERAN, KALITA HOLLIMAN. WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A LOT OF FAMILY MEMBERS THERE. I'M GOING TO COUNT EVERY ONE OF YOU, SO I BETTER SEE YOU. AND I ALSO WANT TO THANK ONE OTHER PERSON. SHE'S AN AMAZING YOUNG WOMAN. LEIGH CALDWELL OVER THERE. I MEAN, SHE IS REALLY INVOLVED WITH EVERYTHING TO HELP THE CITY HERE, TO HELP THE MUSEUM. I HAD A GENTLEMAN COME IN SUNDAY. I WAS JUST AMAZED AT WHAT HE DONATED. HE BROUGHT IN 33 PAIRS OF EYEGLASSES. AND DONATED THEM. 33 PAIRS, BRAND NEW. STILL IN THE CASES, IN THE PLASTIC. MY BUDDY WAS HAVING THEM CHECKED OUT, AND THEY'RE GOING TO BE DONATED TO THE LIONS CLUB TO HELP INDIVIDUALS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

SUSAN DRAGOVICH, A CITIZEN OF WEST FRANKFORT. I JUST WANT TO SAY THANK YOU TO ALL OF YOU. I'VE HAD A FEW PROBLEMS THIS WEEK. THE POLICE DEPARTMENT HELPED ME. THAD WAS AMAZING HELPING ME. I TAKE CARE OF MY AUNT. WE HAD A SITUATION THAT, YOU KNOW, THEY'VE HANDLED IT FOR ME AND CONTINUE TO HANDLE IT FOR ME. SO I JUST WANT TO SAY THANK YOU. AND ALSO, FOR THE STREET DEPARTMENT. YOU COULDN'T ASK FOR BETTER GUYS. THEY'RE OUT IN THIS HEAT. WEEDING AROUND THE SIGNPOSTS AND EVERYTHING. KEEPING EVERYTHING OPEN AND THE DITCHES ALL DONE. I'M VERY PROUD TO BE A WEST FRANKFORT CITIZEN. THANK YOU.

20. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO FOR DISCUSSIONS PURSUANT TO 5ILCS 120/2 (C) (1), 5ILCS 120/2 (C) (5), 5ILCS 120/2 (C) (6), 5ILCS 120/2 (C) (11) PERSONEL. AT 6:34 P.M. COMMISSIONER HARKINS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STANLEY. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

21. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF A MOTION TO RETURN TO OPEN SESSION AT 6:58 P.M. WHERE NO ACTION WAS TAKEN. COMMISSIONER HARKINS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED

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

22. WITH NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO BE DISCUSSED, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED ON A MOTION BY COMMISSIONER HARKINS AT 7:00 P.M.

MAYOR, TIM ARVIEW

ANDREA BOLEN, CITY CLERK