

STATE OF ILLINOIS
COUNTY OF CARROLL
CITY OF LANARK

March 5, 2024

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER/ROLL CALL-Lanark City Council met in regular session at the Lanark City Hall at 7 p.m. Roll call taken by Marilyn Heller, City Clerk, showed Alderpersons present were Kevin Barnes, Lynn Collins, Brad Knutti, Haley Grim and Ed Stern.

Mayor Mark Macomber was present and presiding.

Others present were: Jerene Rogan, Maintenance Manager Jason Alvarado, Treasurer Debra Throop, Chief Troy Randall, Attorney Ed Mitchell and Clerk Marilyn Heller.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE-was led by Alderperson Kevin Barnes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES-MOTION-was made by Alderperson Lynn Collons and seconded by Alderperson Brad Knutti to accept the minutes of the February 20, 2024 meeting as presented. Motion carried by 6 aye votes. Aye votes: Alderpersons Kevin Barnes, Haley Grim, Ed Stern, Brad Knutti, Lynn Collins, and Mark Macomber.

PUBLIC COMMENTS- None

SWEAR IN TREASURER – ACTION REQUIRED – Attorney Ed Mitchell swore in Treasurer Debra Throop into the treasurer position.

UPDATE AUTHORIZED BANK SIGNATORY – ACTION REQUIRED A Motion was made by Alderperson Haley Grim and seconded by Alderperson Kevin Barnes to remove Jodi Diffenderfer from all city bank accounts and add treasurer Debra Throop to all city bank accounts. Motion carried by 6 aye votes. Aye votes: Alderpersons Kevin Barnes, Haley Grim, Ed Stern, Brad Knutti, Lynn Collins, and Mark Macomber.

ARBOR DAY PROCLAMATION FOR APRIL 26,2024 – POSSIBLE ACTION - A Motion was made by Alderperson Mark Macomber and seconded by Alderperson Brad Knutti to endorse the Arbor Day Proclamation for April 26, 2024. Motion carried by 6 aye votes. Aye votes: Alderpersons Kevin Barnes, Haley Grim, Ed Stern, Brad Knutti, Lynn Collins, and Mark Macomber.

A.B.A.T.E. PROCLAMATION – POSSIBLE ACTION – A Motion was made by Alderperson Brad Knutti and seconded by Alderperson Kevin Barnes to accept the A.B.A.T.E. proclamation for May 2024. Motion carried by 6 aye votes. Aye votes: Alderpersons Kevin Barnes, Haley Grim, Ed Stern, Brad Knutti, Lynn Collins, and Mark Macomber.

CEMETERY TAX PAYMENT – POSSIBLE ACTION – Tabled - The council discussed how to handle the \$3519.12 from this year's levy and protentional more from past years that have not been

transferred to the cemetery accounts. It is believed the cemetery levied 0% previously but Attorney Ed Mitchell will get copies from the past few years to confirm.

RETIREMENT FUND – POSSIBLE ACTION – Tabled – Alderperson Lynn is working with a third party to get information on other retirement possibilities.

ZONING ORDINANCE – POSSIBLE ACTION – Tabled – Alderperson Lynn is working on retyping the changes discussed to present at next meeting.

STANDING COMMITTEES AND BOARDS-POSSIBLE ACTION- Finance Committee will have a meeting on April 1st at 6pm to discuss the budget.

REPORTS-EMPLOYEES, ATTORNEY, CLERK, TREASURER, ALDERPERSONS AND MAYOR-

Maintenance Manager Jason – sent out the maintenance budget and to contact him with any questions. Maintenance has been working on replacing/locating service lines shut offs and updating suspected lead service lines as they work. Lastly, he sent out spring leaf pick up for April. **Chief Randall** – is getting a part time officer as he currently has only 2 other part time officers able to work. Council asked about getting the voicemail message updated and clerk will get the number for the telephone maintenance guy to help update the message. **Attorney Ed Mitchell** – has filed a number of statement of economic interests forms for the city. He looked further into who the city's CFO is and he confirmed that for Lanark it has been the treasurer. Lastly, he notified the council that if they remove the International Property Maintenance Code 2018 then the city would automatically follow the state codes. **Clerk Marilyn** – going forward the second meeting of the month, delinquent utilities will be a standing agenda item to allow all residents the opportunity to address the council if they receive a shut off letter. There has been an uptick in the number delinquent accounts the past few months. **Treasurer Deb** – Closed December and January and gave out months end reports to council. **Alderperson Brad** – Say No to Snow is this weekend and Chief Randall will be present to lead out the race. **Alderperson Ed** – Ardena reached out to Ed to discuss her concerns with the approved contract. It was discussed that if she would like any updates, she would need to come present to the council. **Alderperson Kevin** – asked for an update on Open Time Clock. Clerk shared that its currently being introduced to all employees and will be in full effect April 1st. **Alderperson Lynn** – asked for more information on mowing the Fox property and she will bring the prices the city charges. Lastly, she shared information professional trapper's for skunks that will be available to everyone in the clerk's office.

The April 2nd council meeting is moved to April 9th.

EXECUTIVE SESSION-EMPLOYMENT, COMPENSATION, REAL ESTATE-MOTION-was made by Alderperson Mark Macomber and seconded by Alderperson to convene in Executive Session at

8:13 p.m. in order to discuss real estate. Motion carried by 6 aye votes. Aye votes: Alderpersons Kevin Barnes, Haley Grim, Ed Stern, Brad Knutti, Lynn Collins, and Mark Macomber.

REGULAR SESSION-MOTION-was made by Alderperson Mark Macomber and seconded by Alderperson Brad Knutti to reconvene into regular session at 8:24 p.m. Motion carried by 6 aye votes. Aye votes: Alderpersons Kevin Barnes, Haley Grim, Ed Stern, Brad Knutti, Lynn Collins, and Mark Macomber.

ADJOURNMENT-MOTION-was made by Alderperson Brad Knutti and seconded by Alderperson Mark Macomber to adjourn at 8:24 p.m. Motion carried by 6 voice aye votes.

Respectfully submitted,
Marilyn Heller, City Clerk