

**CITY OF KANKAKEE  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
AMENDED MINUTES  
MAY 7TH, 2018  
7:00 P.M.**

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** I would like to call the meeting to order. We will start with a prayer by Reverend Ed Kannapel from Gift of God Street Ministry.

**REVEREND ED KANNAPEL:** Heavenly Father we come here in the Holy Spirit to thank you for your blessings... We prayer for the Police force and our City leadership. Lord Jesus we thank You for our Mayor, our City Council, our Police Officers in Law Enforcement that serve our City. Allow them by the Holy Spirit to work...we ask You to protect them from every work of the enemy and from every demonic assignment that will come at them physically, mentally and emotionally. We pray...we bless our Law Enforcement with great grace the lead, protect and guide our City. We pray against spiritual strongholds over the City of Kankakee. We pray for families affected by gang violence. We pray for salvation for gang members and not just them but for their family and friends. Let the brokenness of the situation to turn the people to You and not away for You. Lord we resist every work of the enemy to gang activity in Kankakee and...the work of the enemy that steal, kills and destroy people lives. We ask you to cover and protect the leaders in our City. We pray not only to protect but to save. We pray for the citizens as well as the homeless in the City of Kankakee... We pray for spiritual awakensness in the churches in our city that they witness our Lord and Savior to everyone in Kankakee. In the Holy Name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Thank you Reverend. The pledge will be led by the City Council.

**IN UNISON:** "I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic, for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all".

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Okay, moving onto Public Comments. Please give your

name and direct your comments to the Mayor. Comments are limited to five minutes. First up we have Deb Terrell.

**DEB TERRELL:**

Hello Mayor, Council Members, and Department Heads. It's nice to have you all in one place so I can just say this once. I am here on behalf of the fisherman's deck at the dam. It's a unique feature. There aren't many communities on the river that have a feature like this. It's very well used by local fisherman...fisherman that feed their families and sometimes by people out of town. I am not sure how many people that work for the City or leaders in the City really understand how many people come from out of town to fish there. When they do, they are paying for fishing licenses that support the DNR which in turn supports projects like the DNR on ...Avenue. The by bait from all the local bait shops; we have twelve of them in Kankakee, from Walmart to .... When they buy the baits they are also buying coffee, they are buying food, their buying incidentals, cigarettes things like that; gas. So they come here, they spend their money and they come away with an impression and that's the most important thing to me. Is that when these people leave they leave with a good impression of the City. The problem with the dam, I have discussed with the Mayor and discussed with a couple of people that it is getting much worse and its getting urgent. If we don't do something we won't have a fishing deck at the dam. The biggest problem is erosion. There is a building there; you know where Brando's is. I don't know if the sink hole next to Brando's have anything to do with it. The amount of water that is coming down underground toward the dam but the building that I think is owned by the City and is empty, drains all that storm water..right down over the grass and the sidewalks and so forth onto the dam and it brings mud down. The guys literally have to go down there with snow shovels when they go down to fish because they have to scrap away three inches of mud before they can stand there and fish. The sidewalk is buckling and the grass is disappearing and it needs to be addressed. There are also two deck...there. The trash cans are always overflowing. ...went down there the other night he and two other fisherman picked up nine bags of trash that were out of the trash containers closed them and put them there. Now the trash containers say Kankakee Park District. So I don't know if the Park District is supposed to be picking those up or if it is the City or what but they aren't getting emptied. My husband

did ask me to say that the police department is doing a wonderful job of coming down their patrolling. They come down frequently and you know make sure that they are no trouble makers hanging around and they are usually armed. It's...there is an impression that the dam is a place where there is homeless people and troublemakers. There are a few but it is not nearly as bad as people let on,. So I'm just here to beg you to do something to save this unique feature that we have here in Kankakee and all those fine people that come from out of town and fish down there plus the people like my husband that has been down there working supporting this place for ten years or more; they deserve better. So thank you so much for listening.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:**Thank you. Next we have Doug Morris.

**DOUG MORRIS:**

Good Evening Ms. Mayor and Council. My name is Doug Morris of the Historic District on North Wildwood. I live right across from Cobb Park, I moved there about two years ago. I found that there was really the almost ideal 5K two mile walk that runs every year on Father's Day. So you get up in the morning about 8:00 in the morning and it is always a wonderful weekend morning and there is this beautiful shady...runners ready to run through the Historic District. After twenty two years it is formally the Kilbride Family Classic and after twenty two years the family has gotten busy and some moved away for jobs and other things. They were generous enough and caring enough to pass this run onto the Merchant Street Gallery for Artist with Autism. If you don't know about this gallery it's a downtown gallery right across from the Knights of Columbus right over here... Please go to the gallery if you haven't gotten a chance to. It already employs in this program a good number of autistic artist. It's very productive. Through this fund we hope to continue to fund that gallery and offer more programs and also have continuity of this March surrounding autism throughout the year in this community in Kankakee. So we would like to appeal to you , the staff and council and everyone here to sign u to volunteer or to come out and run or walk. We actually have ...we inherited the great website [runforautism.com](http://runforautism.com) so that is all you have to remember tonight is [runforautism.com](http://runforautism.com) go on and sign up or volunteer. It's \$30.00 right now and everything goes to this worthy cause. We really need volunteers to come out and please contact us ahead of time. We are looking forward to it, it is

our main run this year. Again we recognize and thank the Kilbride family for twenty two great years in the Historic District; organizing and putting on this run...alright thank you. Oh, by the way, we do have teams that can sign up and I would like to propose tonight that we have the police vs. fire challenge and I would just like to throw that out tonight.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Thank you. Roll Call please of the City Council.

**CLERK DUMAS:** **PRESENT:** Tetter, Curtis, Lewis, Tall, Faford, Swanson, Crawford, Osenga, O'Brien, Gall, Malone-Marshall, Kennedy  
**ABSENT:** Brown, Baron,  
(11) Present (2) Absent  
I'm sorry, I'm using a new software...  
(12) Present (2) Absent

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Thank you. Department Heads please.

**CLERK DUMAS:** **PRESENT:** Dumas, Schuldt, Kubal, Power, Schiel, Piggush, Nelson, Bertrand, Schmitz, Crowell, Koehler,  
Thank you.

**MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
MONDAY, APRIL 16TH, 2018-REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Thank you. Moving on to the minutes of April 16<sup>th</sup>, May I have a motion to approve?

**ALD OSENGA:** So move.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned by Alderman Osenga.

**ALD CRAWFORD:** Second

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Seconded by Alderman Crawford. Any corrections? Amendments? All in favor...aye.

**COUNCIL:** Aye.

**COMMUNICATIONS**  
**BENJAMIN J. GARCIA WILL BE ADMINISTERED**  
**THE OATH OF OFFICE AS PATROLMAN**  
**BY KANKAKEE MUNICIPAL CITY CLERK ANJANITA DUMAS**

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Opposed same sign? Motion is approved. We have no petitions. As you all see we have a very full agenda so we will work to move quickly. We are moving on to Communications and is Benjamin J. Garcia here? Under Item A we have Benjamin J. Garcia will be Administered the Oath of Office as Patrolman by the Kankakee Municipal City Clerk Anjanita Dumas.

**CLERK DUMAS:** Yes, we will have you come all the way up. Would you like to have your family come with you as well? I will have you face this side... I will have you raise your right hand and repeat after me.

**BENJAMIN J GARCIA:** Okay.

**CLERK DUMAS:** I Benjamin J. Garcia

**BENJAMIN J. GARCIA:** I Benjamin J. Garcia

**CLERK DUMAS:** Do solemnly swear

**BENJAMIN J. GARCIA:** Do solemnly swear

**CLERK DUMAS:** That I will support the Constitution of the United States

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**CLERK DUMAS:** The Constitution of the State of Illinois

**BENJAMIN J. GARCIA:** The Constitution of the State of Illinois

**CLERK DUMAS:** And the Ordinances of the City of Kankakee

**BENJAMIN J. GARCIA:** And the Ordinances of the City of Kankakee

**CLERK DUMAS:** I will faithfully and fairly

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**CLERK DUMAS:** Discharge the duties of Police Officer

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**CLERK DUMAS:** In and for the City of Kankakee

**BENJAMIN J. GARCIA:** In and for the City of Kankakee

**CLERK DUMAS:** In said County

**BENJAMIN J. GARCIA:** In said County

**CLERK DUMAS:** According to the best of my ability

**BENJAMIN J. GARCIA:** According to the best of my ability

**CLERK DUMAS:** So help me God

**BENJAMIN J. GARCIA:** So help me God

**CLERK DUMAS:** Congratulations

**BENJAMIN J. GARCIA:** Thank you.

**CLERK DUMAS** There is one additional part to this. The Kankakee Police Department is accredited...we have to recite the Law Enforcement Code of Ethics.

**BENJAMIN J. GARCIA:** As a Law Enforcement Officer, my fundamental duty is to serve mankind; to safeguard lives and property; to protect the innocent against deception; to stand weak against oppression or intimidation, and the peaceful against violence or disorder; and to respect the Constitutional rights of all men to liberty, equality and justice. I will keep my private life unsullied as an example to all; maintain courageous calm in the face of danger, scorn, or ridicule; develop self-restraint; and be constantly mindful of the welfare of others. Honest in thought and deed in both my personal and official life. I will be exemplary in obeying the laws of the land and the regulations of my department. Whatever I see or hear of a confidential nature or that is confided to me in my official capacity will be kept ever secret unless revelation is necessary in the performance of my duty. I will never act officiously or permit personal feelings, prejudices, animosities, or friendships to influence my decisions. With no compromise for crime and with relentless prosecution of criminals, I will enforce the law courteously and appropriately without fear or favor, malice or violence and

never accepting gratuities. I recognize the badge of my office as a symbol of public faith, and I accept it as a public trust to be held so long as I adhere to the ethics of police service. I will never engage in acts of corruption or bribery, nor will I condone such acts of other police officers. I will cooperate with all legally authorized agencies and their representatives in the pursuit of justice. I know that I alone am responsible for my own standard of professional performance and will take every reasonable opportunity to enhance and improve my level of knowledge and competence. I will constantly strive to achieve these objectives and ideals, dedicating myself before God to my chosen profession...Law Enforcement.

**CLERK DUMAS:** Congratulations again.

**PRESENTATION BY ACTING POLICE CHIEF PRICE DUMAS  
OF THE KANKAKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT RECOGNIZING  
PATROLMAN AURELIO GARCIA FOR TWENTY SIX YEARS OF SERVICE**

**CHIEF DUMAS:** Good Evening everyone.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Hold on...Next we have a presentation by Acting Police Chief Price Dumas of the Kankakee Police Department recognizing Patrolman Aurelio Garcia for twenty Six Years of Service.

**CHIEF DUMAS:** Okay, Good Evening. If anybody don't pick this up this is a father and son tandem. That's the son, that's the Father. Aurelio Garcia retired May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018. We hired Ben May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018. Aurelio has twenty Six years with the Kankakee City Police Department. He started April 1<sup>st</sup>, of 1992. Prior to that he spent fourteen years with St. Anne Police Department, so if my math is right, twenty six and fourteen is forty. I would just like to say this, most people coming to Law Enforcement only want to do their twenty years or twenty five years or maybe thirty....to do forty years as a Police Officer that is a milestone in itself and I think that...I couldn't do forty years...let's give him a big hand for that. Again, my hats off to you Aurelio, forty years even though it was two different departments between the City and St. Anne. Twenty Six with the City of Kankakee is still forty years. And prior to that...two years in Corrections. So forty two years of being involved in Law Enforcement

and finally retiring. Aurelio is married; wife and three boys. I hope you enjoy your retirement. You have done great work. Thank you for your service. Forty years.

**AURELIO GARCIA:** Thank you.

**CHIEF DUMAS:** Forty years...Woooo...

**ALD OSENGA:** How long will it take you to get grey hair like your father?

**BENJAMIN J GARCIA:** About two to three years.

**PRESENTATION BY THE KANKAKEE FIRE DEPARTMENT  
HONORING CAPTAIN MICHAEL CASAGRANDE AND THE  
KANKAKEE FIRE DEPARTMENT AS RECIPIENTS OF THE  
RED CROSS CUMMUNITY HERO AWARD**

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Alright, next we have a presentation by the Kankakee Fire Department honoring Captain Michael Casagrande and the Kankakee Fire Department as recipients of the Red Cross Community Hero Award.

**CHIEF SCHULDT:** Thank you Mayor and City Council, can I get Mike and Don to come up here please. I want to start off by saying...member of the Red Cross...honored Mike Casagrande with their Hero Award. As I understand it every year they give away hero Awards in certain categories and Mike was nominated for the Fire Fighters Award. This is really for all the work he has done especially for the Smoke Detector Program so we will talk about that a little tonight. He attended...actually this started a long time ago. Mike and I went up to Chicago a couple months ago and filmed a video that was released last week for this. They also went to a reception because all the awards are sponsored by different companies. So Mike and a couple men in the department traveled...Chicago as well. Last Thursday morning was a very well attended event at the Hilton on South Michigan Avenue. There was approximately nine hundred people in the room and they gave thirteen awards away in various categories. It was moderated by the CBS news anchors, and it was about a two hour ceremony it was very touching and emotional for everybody that was there. So I want to honor these people tonight, I think Mike is very

humble and I think he agrees with me that it was not a single effort by him, it was several people in the Fire Department over the years that participated in the program. It is also kind of secondary for the other fire prevention programs they do as well. I also want to bring Don up tonight because if you don't know, Mike is the Captain in charge of the Fire Commission Bureau and Fire Fighter /Paramedic Don Fordahl works in the Bureau as well. Don worked tirelessly on the Smoke Tester Program; he organized it he kicked it off. He kept track of all the homes; it's like about 11,000 homes in the City he had to keep track of all the ones we went to; the ones we put detectors in and the ones we didn't....I also want to recognize Gina Wood and Deb Hubley for their efforts as well because they took a lot of the phone calls, scheduling and they worked behind the scenes all the time. There is a lot of work they did to support us as they always do day in and day out. I also want to thank the Red Cross as well because they helped us out on a couple different Saturdays putting up the detectors and I tell you the Red Cross is always there for us in spite if it's day or night, weekends or holidays if we have a fire and residents are displace, they are there to give them housing for one or two nights and to give them some support as well. I really want to thank the Red Cross...also. Mike, do you want to say a few words?

**MIKE CASAGRANDE:**

As the Chief said about everybody, those people in the back of the room standing against the wall they are the...amount of people involved in this. They were going out when it was cold and I remember them in February traveling in the snow putting up smoke alarms. Nothing more can be said about Don as far as what he did to keep this project organizes and make sure everything was done. We had City people; Zach over there gave us a hand by putting these maps together so we knew each household that we had touched. It's important to us...I mean it is so important to us and we realize the difference it will make as far as families having these. So, thanks to those guys back there for working with us and working thru some of the problems and also proclaiming some of this stuff too, I really appreciate it.

**CHIEF SCHULDT:**

So just to give you an idea, what it's like to walk the City and go from door to door. I don't know if some of you have ever done that task before. We put in approximately

10,000 smoke detectors and we... I actually have it documented just in case and it saved a family of four...so that was a part of the video as well. So Mayor if you want to place the medals on them. I would like for everybody to give a round of applause to Mike and Don. Thank you.

**PRESENTATION RECOGNIZING KANCOMM DISPATCHERS  
DURING NATIONAL DISPATCHERS WEEK**

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** We have a lot of presentations tonight. The next one, the last one is recognizing KANCOMM Dispatchers during National Dispatcher's Week. National Dispatchers Week was actually April 8<sup>th</sup> – April 14<sup>th</sup> and we were waiting to collect some data. I believe we have six dispatchers here tonight and if you all can come forward. So often times we think about Public Safety we talk about Police and Fire because we know they are very important but this is a group of people we often overlook. So I wanted to take some time to thank all of you and recognize you this evening. We are missing two. ..

(Poem for Dispatchers)

**“Who Am I”**

I am the voice that calms the mother  
Breathing life into her infant son.  
I am the invisible hand that holds and  
Comforts the elderly man who woke up  
And found that his wife of 50 years had  
passed away during the night,  
I am the friend who talks the disgruntled  
Teenager out of ending her own life.  
I sent help when you had your first  
Automobile accident.  
I am the one who tries to obtain information  
From callers to ensure that the scene is safe for  
Those I dispatch to emergencies – all the while  
Anticipating the worst and hoping for the best.  
I am the psychologist who readily adapts by  
Language and tone of voice to serve the needs  
of my callers with compassion and understanding.  
I am the ears that listens to the needs of all  
Those I serve.  
I have heard the screams of faceless people  
I will never meet nor forget.  
I have cried all the atrocities of mankind and  
Rejoiced at the miracle of life.  
I was there, though unseen, by my comrades

in the field during the most trying emergencies  
I have tried to visualize the scene to coincide  
With the voices I have heard.  
I am usually not privy to the outcome of the call,  
and so I wonder...  
I am the one who works weekends, strange  
shifts and holidays. Children do not say they  
want my job when they grow up.  
Yet, I am at this vocation by choice.  
Those I help do not call back to say thank you.  
Still there is comfort in the challenge, integrity  
And the purpose of my employment.  
I am thankful to provide such a meaningful  
Service.  
I am a mother, a father, sister, brother, son or  
A daughter.  
I am here when you need me and still here  
when you don't.  
My office is never empty, and the work here  
Is never done. I am always on call. The training is  
Strenuous, demanding and endless.  
No two days at work are ever the same.  
Who am I?  
I am an emergency dispatcher and I am proud.

-Author Unknown-

So we have Sharon Homberg 33 years of service; Zelma  
Evans 25 years of service; Rachel Teague 21 years of  
service; Miguel is not here; Brian is not here; Andrea  
Jackson 18 years; her husband is also a  
Dispatcher who sent me a message today and wanted me  
to play Prince. If anybody knows Ron Jackson he thinks  
he's Prince. So I will come over and visit and give them  
the rest. We have I believe 25 dispatchers for  
KANCOMM and we just want to thank you all for your  
service.

**COM ED LETTER DATED APRIL 19, 2018  
REGARDING THEIR ANNUAL RATE UPDATE (INFORMATION ONLY)**

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Next item on the agenda is information only. Com Ed  
letter dated April 19, 2018 regarding their annual rate  
update that should have been enclosed in your packet.  
If there are no objections I would like to combine  
Items: F, G, H, and J.

**(F) KANKAKEE SCHOOL DISTRICT 111 PROEGLER  
SCHOOL IS REQUESTING A STREET CLOSURE FOR**

“END OF THE YEAR CARNIVAL”. (G) SOUTH CHICAGO WHEELMAN IS REQUESTING A STREET CLOSURE TO HOST THEIR ANNUAL “COBB PARK CRITERIUM”. (H) COMMUNITY ARTS COUNCIL OF KANKAKEE IS REQUESTING STREET CLOSURE RELATED TO THE “STRAWBERRY JAZZZ FESTIVAL”. (I) THIRD WARD NEIGHBORHOOD IS REQUESTING A STREET CLOSURE “MEAT AND GREET BLOCK PARTY”. (J) THE RED KNIGHTS FIREFIGHTERS MOTORCYCLE CLUB REQUESTING A STREET CLOSURE FOR THEIR BIKE/RUN BLOCK PARTY FUNDRAISER FOR CHILD BURN VICTIMS”. If there are no objections to combine may I have a motion to approve?

**ALD SWANSON:** I so move.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motion made by Alderwoman Swanson.

**ALD GALL:** I’ll second.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Seconded by Alderwoman Gall. Any discussion? All in favor, aye?’

**COUNCIL:** Aye.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Opposed same sign, motion carries. Moving on to...actually we have some out of town guests. So if I can have a motion to go into Executive Session.

**ALD TETTER:** So move Mayor.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned by Alderman Tetter.

**ALD MALONE MARSHALL:** Second.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Seconded by Alderwoman Malone Marshall

### **RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** May I have a motion to return to Open Session?

**ALD KENNEDY:** So move Mayor. So move.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned by Alderwoman Kennedy.

**ALD LEWIS:** Second.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Seconded by Alderwoman Lewis. All those in favor?

**COUNCIL:** Aye.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Opposed same sign. Motion approved. Alright, we are back in Open Session. Let the record reflect that everyone is in attendance...Alright, we do have action items resulting from Executive Session...the first on is the Proposal by Vince Williams to retain Lobbyist Services on behalf of the City of Kankakee. Motion?

**ALD CRAWFORD:** I would like to make a motion to send that to Budget Committee.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motion made by Alderman Crawford to refer to Budget Committee. I will refer to budget. The second one is Consideration of proposal by Odelson Sterk, Ltd. Attorneys at Law. Based on discussion, the Council is comfortable referring to Budget Committee. Correct?

**COUNCIL:** Correct.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Budget meets next Monday and we are asking that full Council be in attendance if possible. We know that some people have some conflicts. The third one is accepting the contract for the International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local 705 (DPW). May I have a motion to approve that contract?

**ALD SWANSON:** I so move.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motion made by Alderwoman Swanson.

**ALD KENNEDY:** Second.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Seconded by Alderwoman Kennedy. Any discussion? Roll Call please.

**CLERK DUMAS:** **AYES:** Tetter, Curtis, Lewis, Tall, Faford, Swanson, Crawford, Osenga, O'Brien, Gall, Malone-Marshall, Kennedy

(12) Ayes (0) Nays

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motion carries. The last item resulting from Executive Session is the contract for the International Union of the Operating Engineers Local 399 - Lab Workers. May I have a motion to approve the contract?.

**ALD OSENGA:** So move

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned by Alderman Osenga.

**ALD CRAWFORD:** Second.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Seconded by Alderman Crawford. Any discussion? Roll Call please.

**CLERK DUMAS:** **AYES:** Tetter, Curtis, Lewis, Tall, Faford, Swanson, Crawford, Osenga, O'Brien, Gall, Malone-Marshall, Kennedy  
(12) Ayes (0) Nays

### **STANDING COMMITTEES ORDINANCE COMMITTEE – TUESDAY, JANUARY 23RD, 2018**

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motion carries. Again, I want to thank the negotiating team and commend everyone for getting those contracts approve prior to expiration. We will go back to Standing Committee Reports. We will start with Ordinance Committee Tuesday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2018. Alderman O'Brien.

**ALD O'BRIEN:** Thank you Mayor. No additional comments beyond the contents of the report.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Any additions or corrections to the report?

**ALD LEWIS:** I have one for...

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Alderwoman Lewis?

**ALD LEWIS:** I'm sorry, he has me as absent and Stevenson Auto Present. I was present for the ordinance meeting. It was Stevenson Auto that could not make it to present that day...

**ALD O'BRIEN:** January 23<sup>rd</sup>?

**ALD LEWIS:** Yes the 23<sup>rd</sup>...and also as far as my comments as far as golf carts for the 5<sup>th</sup> Ward...concern about the Streets being small and being surrounded by Kennedy, Station and Washington.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Alderwoman Malone Marshall?

**ALD MALONE MARSHALL:** ...from my comments as far as the 1<sup>st</sup> Ward, I was not interested in it being anywhere in the City not just the 1<sup>st</sup> Ward. I did not agree with golf carts in the City at all.

#### **ORDINANCE COMMITTEE – TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27TH, 2018**

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Any additional corrections? Okay, Ordinance for February 27<sup>th</sup>, Alderman O'Brien?

**ALD O'BRIEN:** Nothing beyond the report.

#### **BUILDING & CODE COMMITTEE– THURSDAY, APRIL 19TH, 2018**

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Okay. Any additions or corrections to the report. Moving on to the Building Code Committee and that will be Alderwoman Kennedy.

**ALD KENNEDY:** Basically, we talked about City clean up and what we decided to do is support the school district...we would like to ask everyone to support the School District. The students will be released early and the Clean Up is going to start at 1:00 P.M.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Do you have a date?

**ALD KENNEDY:** Wednesday, May 9<sup>th</sup>.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** 1:00 o'clock?

**ALD KENNEDY:** Yes Mam.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Is there a location?

**ALD KENNEDY:** I can send you the email.

**REPORTS OF OFFICERS  
APPROVAL OF BILLS - \$ 533,717.38**

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Okay. Any additions or corrections to Building & Code Report? Moving on to the Report of Officers. May I have a motion to approve the bills?

**ALD FAFORD:** I move that we approve the report of officers, place the money in the proper accounts and pay the bills in the amount of \$533,717.38...

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned by Alderman Faford.

**ALD TALL:** Second the motion.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Seconded by Alderman Tall. Any Discussion? Roll Call Please...

**CLERK DUMAS:** **AYES:** Tetter, Curtis, Lewis, Tall (No on check #7330), Faford, Swanson, Crawford (Yes on all except bill 7330), Osenga (Yes on all except check# 7330), O'Brien (Aye except I Abstain on check # 73309), Gall, Malone Marshall Kennedy  
(12) Ayes (0) Nays

**NEW BUSINESS  
RECOMMENDATION TO AWARD THE BID IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4.2292  
TO BARON HUOT OIL FOR THE BULK FUEL FOR 2018-2019 FISCAL**

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motion carries. We do not have any Unfinished Business. Moving on to New Business. We have a recommendation to award the bid in the amount of \$4.2292 to Baron Huot Oil for the bulk fuel for 2018-2019 and Elizabeth if you just want to make a comment on that. That brings it to the combined rate, Correct?

**ELIZABETH KUBAL:** Yes, the combined rate between...together they combined for that rate...right around 2...the premium is about 2.13...that number so that's how you get the...(inaudible)

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** 4.22...May I have a motion to accept the recommendation?

**ALD SWANSON:** I so move.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned by Alderwoman Swanson.

**ALD GALL:** I'll second.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Seconded by Alderwoman Gall. Discussion? Roll Call Please...

**CLERK DUMAS:** **AYES:** Tetter, Curtis, Lewis, Tall, Faford, Swanson, Osenga, O'Brien, Gall, Malone Marshall, Kennedy  
**ABSTENTIONS:** Crawford  
(11) Ayes (1) Abstentions

**FIRST READING**

**ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 32, ARTICLE XI, DIVISION 1  
BY ADDING SECTION 32-186 OF THE CITY CODE  
OF THE CITY OF KANKAKEE, ILLINOIS  
OFF STREET PARKING IN ESTABLISHED CITY OWNED PARKING LOTS**

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motion carries. Moving on we have an Ordinance amending Chapter 32, Article XI, Division 1 by adding Section 32-186 of the City Code of the City of Kankakee, Illinois Off Street Parking and Alderman O'Brien you did refer this...the committee referred...

**ALD O'BRIEN:** Yes, it was discussed at our last City Council meeting and also at the Ordinance Committee meeting most recently...

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** It's working Alderman.

**ALD O'BRIEN:** So this was discussed at our last meeting and was also approved or discussed by the Ordinance Committee and recommended to the Council with no changes as drafted by Attorney Power.

**ALD MALONE MARSHALL:** I just wanted to make note...I don't know if we are doing the Robert's Rules of Order or how we are doing the meeting for the ordinance but we didn't even vote on this one either...at the meeting.

**ALD O'BRIEN:** We didn't, we just discussed it and there seemed to be consensus so...but as Chair, I recommended to the Mayor that we put on the agenda along with the other items we discussed.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Are you all not taking votes in Ordinance?

**ALD O'BRIEN:** We have but we...since...

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Okay. So Pat, did you want to just clarify...

**PAT POWER:** Yes, so what gave rights to this Ordinance was the parking lot directly West of City Hall of course it is a City parking lot. We constantly have people parking every which way. Not necessarily between the lines. They are parking in ways that block the ingress and egress of the parking lot itself and when I started checking into it we had no ordinance for any of these parking lots the City owned and so that gave rights to this particular draft. When I drafted it, it was referred to the Ordinance Committee and I thought it was discussed there, I assumed it was and it came back. But the idea is...we really need regulation as to how...cars will be sitting there for small periods of time. Some people utilize it since the office is...that established the thinking behind the ordinance.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** So the logistics is to park between the lines and designated by the City, Correct? Correct? and no longer than 24 hours?

**PAT POWER:** Yes, you can't leave the car there more than 24 hours. Again, this is to address the situation that cars sit there for days and weeks.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** I need a motion to... Alderwoman Malone Marshall?

**ALD MALONE MARSHALL:** Mayor, I was just trying to point out that I understand the ordinance as far as parking and I do agree with it but...here in Council, I was just surprised because we didn't vote on it. We didn't vote on it at Ordinance and that's what my concern was.

**ALD CRAWFORD:** I was present at that meeting. We did talk about it and we did say and sort of agreed that we were going to send it to the Committee.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** I think it would alleviate confusion if you all vote...that's my recommendation. I request a motion to suspend the rules

**ALD CURTIS:** I so move.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned by Alderman Curtis.

**ALD MALONE MARSHALL:** Second.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Seconded by Alderwoman Malone Marshall. Roll Call.

**CLERK DUMAS:** **AYES:** Tetter, Curtis, Lewis, Tall, Faford, Swanson, Crawford, Osenga, O'Brien, Gall, Malone Marshall, Kennedy  
(12) Ayes (0) Nays

**SECOND READING**  
**ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 32, ARTICLE XI, DIVISION 1**  
**BY ADDING SECTION 32-186 OF THE CITY CODE**  
**OF THE CITY OF KANKAKEE, ILLINOIS**  
**OFF STREET PARKING IN ESTABLISHED CITY OWNED PARKING LOTS**

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** May I have a motion to place the ordinance on final passage?

**ALD CURTIS:** I so move.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned by Alderman Curtis.

**ALD CRAWFORD:** Second.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Seconded by Alderman Crawford. Any discussion? Roll Call please.

**CLERK DUMAS:** **AYES:** Tetter, Curtis, Lewis, Tall, Faford, Swanson, Crawford, Osenga,, O'Brien, Gall, Malone Marshall, Kennedy  
(12) Ayes (0) Nays

**FIRST READING**  
**ORDINANCE DEDICATION CERTAIN LAND FOR THE PURPOSE OF**  
**PUBLIC ROAD, STREET AND/OR HIGHWAY (RICKEY ROCKETS)**

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Item C pertains to an Ordinance Dedication regarding certain land for the purpose of Public Road, Street and/or Highway (Ricky Rockets) and I will defer to Neil for this City Engineer for this.

**NEIL PIGGUSH:** Thank you Mayor. These are the two dedication Required to prevent the burden of access control for the

Ricky Rockets project. This is a part of IDOT's review for Ricky Rockets that the City dedicate right of way connecting to Eastgate Parkway.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** May I have a motion to suspend the rules that prevent The passage of the ordinance?

**ALD TETTER:** So move.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned by Alderman Tetter.

**ALD SWANSON:** I'll second

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Seconded by Alderwoman Swanson. Roll Call.

**CLERK DUMAS:** **AYES:** Tetter, Curtis, Lewis, Tall, Faford, Swanson, Crawford, Osenga, O'Brien, Gall, Malone Marshall, Kennedy  
(12) Ayes (0) Nays

**SECOND READING**  
**ORDINANCE DEDICATION CERTAIN LAND FOR THE PURPOSE OF**  
**PUBLIC ROAD, STREET AND/OR HIGHWAY (RICKEY ROCKETS)**

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motion to place the ordinance on final passage?

**ALD TETTER:** So move Your Honor.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned by Alderman Tetter.

**ALD SWANSON:** Second.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Seconded by Alderwoman Swanson. Any discussion? Alderman Faford?

**ALD FAFORD:** I was wondering ...and B were not attached? I'm just wondering.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Neil?

**NEIL PIGGUSH:** I don't have the board packet in front of me but it's the detention pond that the city previously own and there is a piece of that is adjacent to the existing coldasac of Eastgate Parkway that are deeded to the City and now the City is dedicating them to public right of way at the coldasac of Eastgate Parkway.

**PAT POWER:** The only reason there are two exhibits is...half of the right of way is owned by Alexander and half by the City and so when Alexander dedicated his section which is only half then we had to dedicate the two for right of way.

**ALD CRAWFORD:** This is at Eastgate Parkway?

**PAT POWER:** Yes, that's correct.

**NEIL PIGGUSH:** This is coming up Eastridge Drive curving over to Eastgate Parkway

**PAT POWER:** To the East?

**NEIL PIGGUSH:** That's correct.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Alderman Curtis, you had a question?

**ALD CURTIS:** I think you just answered it so basically, if you're at Eastgate Industrial Parkway you will be able to drive straight to Ricky Rockets...

**NEIL PIGGUISH:** Not necessarily currently, the way it will be with Ricky Rockets their proposed development at the north end of their site; they will be required to connect to Eastgate Parkway. And it's just roughly 400ft of the road at some point.

**ALD CURTIS:** That's the ultimate goal though I assume...

**NEIL PIGGUSH:** That's the ultimate goal...that is conditional...by its approval.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Any other discussion? Roll Call please.

**CLERK DUMAS:** **AYES:** Tetter, Lewis, Tall, Faford, Swanson, Crawford, Osenga, O'Brien, Gall, Malone Marshall, Kennedy  
**ABSTAIN:** Curtis,  
(11) Ayes (0) Nays (1) Abstention

**FIRST READING**  
**ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 31, ARTICLE VIII OF THE CITY OF KANKAKEE MUNICIPAL CODE ANNUAL MOTOR VEHICLE STICKER TAX**

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Item D is an ordinance amending Chapter 31, Article VIII of the City of Kankakee Municipal Code Annual Motor Vehicle Sticker Tax. This is not a new tax, this is an extension of vehicle stickers and this is...several years in the City. May I have a motion to suspend the rules that will interfere with the passage of the ordinance.

**ALD TETTER:** So move Your Honor.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned by Alderman Tetter.

**ALD LEWIS:** Second.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Seconded by Alderwoman Lewis. Roll Call Please.

**CLERK DUMAS:** **AYES:** Tetter, Curtis, Lewis, Tall, Faford, Swanson, Crawford, Osenga, O'Brien, Gall, Malone Marshall, Kennedy  
(12) Ayes (0) Nays

#### **SECOND READING**

#### **ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 31, ARTICLE VIII OF THE CITY OF KANKAKEE MUNICIPAL CODE ANNUAL MOTOR VEHICLE STICKER TAX**

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** May I have a motion to place the ordinance on final Passage?

**ALD TETTER:** So move.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned by Alderman Tetter.

**ALD LEWIS:** Second.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Seconded by Alderwoman Lewis. Any discussion? Roll Call Please.

**CLERK DUMAS:** **AYES:** Tetter, Curtis, Lewis, Tall, Faford, Swanson, Crawford, Osenga, O'Brien, Gall, Malone Marshall, Kennedy  
(12) Ayes (0) Nays

#### **FIRST READING**

#### **ORDINANCE RESTRICTING A PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY LOCATED WITHIN THE CITY OF KANKAKEE AND AMENDING CHAPTER 32 OF THE KANKAKEE CITY CODE BY ADDING SECTION 32-254**

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motion Carries. Item E is an ordinance restricting a Public Right-Of-Way located within the City of Kankakee and Amending Chapter 32 of the Kankakee City Code by Adding Section 32-254. This pertains to the location behind the River Station Senior Residence behind St Mary's hospital and I will defer to Pat.

**PAT POWER:** This basically...it doesn't in any way vacate the alley way. All it does is simply restrict traffic except for emergency traffic. Of course it allows pedestrian traffic. No interference with utilities right-of-way and the utility company has access to it in order to maintain and repair as necessary to maintain the utilities. The reason for this is because the vehicular traffic actually, has to be a bit of a nuisance in that whole area...so that's the purpose for the restriction.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** May I have a motion to suspend the rules that will interfere with the passage of the ordinance.

**ALD TALL:** So move.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned by Alderman Tall.

**ALD LEWIS:** Second

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Seconded by Alderwoman Lewis. Roll Call please.

**CLERK DUMAS:** **AYES:** Tetter, Curtis, Lewis, Tall, Faford, Swanson, Crawford, Osenga, O'Brien, Gall, Malone Marshall, Kennedy  
(12) Ayes (0) Nays

#### **SECOND READING**

#### **ORDINANCE RESTRICTING A PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY LOCATED WITHIN THE CITY OF KANKAKEE AND AMENDING CHAPTER 32 OF THE KANKAKEE CITY CODE BY ADDING SECTION 32-254**

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** May I have a motion place the ordinance on final passage?

**ALD TALL:** So move.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motion made by Alderman Tall.

**ALD LEWIS:** Second

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Seconded by Alderwoman Lewis. Any discussion? I will go ahead and share a bit of good news. They had some money left over and they will be doing some land scaping in the 5<sup>th</sup> Ward. So... any questions or discussion? Roll Call please.

**CLERK DUMAS:** **AYES:** Tetter, Curtis, Lewis, Tall, Faford, Swanson, Crawford, Osenga, O'Brien, Gall, Malone Marshall, Kennedy  
(12) Ayes (0) Nays

### **FIRST READING**

#### **ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 32, SECTION 231 ENTITLED "HANDICAPPED PARKING" OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF KANKAKEE HANDICAPPED PARKING SIGNS ESTABLISHED AT 993 NORTH SCHUYLER**

**AYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Moving on to appointments. We do have some appointments to become available. You asked me last year when I came in as Mayor to allow people serve out their remaining term under Epstein and I did that. Did you have a question about the ordinance?

**ALD CURTIS:** We have an ordinance that we were...

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Oh, I'm sorry, I skipped one. I'm sorry. I guess I'm ready to go home. Item F is an Ordinance amending chapter 32, Section 231 entitled "Handicapped Parking" of the Municipal Cod of the City of Kankakee Handicapped Parking signs established at 993 North Schuyler Avenue. May I have a motion to suspend the rules?

**ALD KENNEDY:** So move.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned by Alderwoman Kennedy.

**ALD MALONE MARSHALL:** Second.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Seconded by Alderwoman Malone Marshall. Roll Call please.

**CLERK DUMAS:** **AYES:** Tetter, Curtis, Lewis, Tall, Faford, Swanson, Crawford, Osenga, O'Brien, Gall, Malone Marshall, Kennedy  
(12) Ayes (0) Nays

**SECOND READING**  
**ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 32, SECTION 231 ENTITLED “HANDICAPPED**  
**PARKUNG” OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF KANKAKEE**  
**HANDICAPPED PARKING SIGNS ESTABLISHED AT 993 NORTH SCHUYLER**

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motion carries. May I have a motion to place the Ordinance on final passage.

**ALD KENNEDY:** So move.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned by Alderwoman Kennedy.

**ALD MALONE MARSHALL:** Second.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Seconded by Alderwoman Malone Marshall. Roll Call.

**CLERK DUMAS:** **AYES:** Tetter, Curtis, Lewis, Tall, Faford, Swanson, Crawford, Osenga, O’Brien, Gall, Malone Marshall, Kennedy  
(12) Ayes (0) Nays

**APPOINTMENTS**  
**PLANNING BOARD**

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motion carries. I’m getting ahead of myself. Thank you Alderman Curtis. Under Item G appointments. As I was stating, we did have some that came open as a natural progression of terms. I did allow people to serve their remaining terms when I came in last year, those people that were appointed by Mayor Epstein, those terms have expired. I was contacted by some members on the Planning Board, they did have some concerns; not having a Spanish Speaker. So the first one we have for appointment is Victor Nevarez, he does live in the 5<sup>th</sup> Ward. He works at Duane Dean as a Clinical Director. He is fluent in Spanish and is eager to join the City and help out any way he can. So, may I have a motion to approve the appointment?

**ALD LEWIS:** So move.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned by Alderwoman Lewis.

**ALD TALL:** Second.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Seconded by Alderman Tall. Roll Call. I'm sorry Discussion?

**ALD O'BRIEN:** Is there an opening or someone rolling off?

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** We have eleven slots on Planning and I think we have nine filled. We have other openings if someone is interested in serving. So we have a motion to approve by Alderwoman Lewis and a second by Alderman Tall. Any other Discussion? Roll Call please.

**CLERK DUMAS:** **AYES:** Tetter, Curtis, Lewis, Tall, Faford, Swanson, Crawford, Osenga, O'Brien, Gall, Malone Marshall, Kennedy  
(12) Ayes (0) Nays

**POLICE PENSION BOARD  
MAUREEN KAMBIC**

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** The next appointment is the Police Pension Board, that term has expired. There was some confusion last year. We had Maureen Kambic on last Year and Alderman Osenga's term had not expired. He did serve the remaining of his term. I have Maureen Kambic on the Board of course you all know her. She works in the Comptroller's Office and she resides in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward. She is a City of Kankakee Resident and has worked for the City for many years in finance which is her expertise. May I have a motion to approve?

**ALD TETTER:** So move.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned by Alderman Tetter.

**ALD MALONE MARSHALL:** Second.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Seconded by Alderwoman Malone Marshall. Any Discussion? Roll Call please.

**CLERK DUMAS:** **AYES:** Tetter, Curtis, Lewis, Tall, Faford, Swanson, Crawford, O'Brien, Gall, Malone Marshall, Kennedy  
**ABSTAIN:** Osenga  
(11) Ayes (0) Nays (1) Abstention

**INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT  
ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES UTILITY**

**PETE SCHIEL**

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** The next position is Superintendent of Environmental Services Utility. You all know that Mr. Simms retired on April 30<sup>th</sup> and we have had some lengthy discussions regarding transitioning and restructuring the Utility. We are going to make the recommendation for Pete Schiel and appoint him as the Interim and I would like a motion to approve.

**ALD SWANSON:** So move

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned by Alderwoman Swanson

**ALD KENNEDY:** Second.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Seconded by Alderwoman Kennedy. Any discussion? Roll Call.

**CLERK DUMAS:** **AYES:** Tetter, Curtis, Lewis, Tall, Faford, Swanson, Crawford, Osenga, O'Brien, Gall, Malone Marshall, Kennedy  
(12) Ayes (0) Nays

**LIBRARY BOARD  
MICHAEL GALL**

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motion Carries. Next we have the Library Board. These were all people that expired, their terms had become vacant and we will do them separately. The first one is Michael Gall. May I have a motion to approve?

**ALD TETTER:** So move.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned made by Alderman Tetter.

**ALD O'BRIEN:** Second.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Seconded by Alderman O'Brien.

**ALD CURTIS:** Mayor?

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Alderman Curtis?

**ALD CURTIS:** Are some of these the same? Has anyone rolled off?

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Michael and Robert are returning and you have resumes for all of them. I did want to diversify this board. We had three or four people on this board from the 6<sup>th</sup> Ward so I am working to make this board more diverse and reflective of the City but Michael is a return and so is Robert who is fluent in Spanish...De' Oliveira

**ALD CURTIS:** Can I ask who came off then?

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Matt Olszewski, Michael Gall and Robert were the three that were up.

**ALD CURTIS:** Just out of curiosity, I know Matt was serving as resident. Any reason why or...

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** I am making the appointment Alderman Curtis just like all the other Mayors. I have a motion and a second I think on Michael Gall. Is there any other discussion? Roll Call please.

**CLERK DUMAS:** **AYES:** Tetter, Curtis, Lewis, Tall, Faford, Swanson, Crawford, Osenga, O'Brien, Malone Marshall, Kennedy  
**ABSTAIN:** Gall  
(11) Ayes (0) Nays (1) Abstention

#### **LIBRARY BOARD GERALDINE ADAMS**

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motion to approve...

**ALD KENNEDY:** So move Mayor.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned by Alderwoman Kennedy

**ALD MALONE MARSHALL:** Second.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Any discussion? Roll Call please.

**CLERK DUMAS:** **AYES:** Tetter, Curtis, Lewis, Tall, Faford, Swanson, Crawford, Osenga, O'Brien, Gall  
Malone Marshall, Kennedy  
(12) Ayes (0) Nays

**LIBRARY BOARD  
ROBERT F. DE' OLIVEIRA**

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** The final appointment is Robert De' Oliveira. He is an Educator in the Kankakee School District; fluent in Spanish and he will be returning to the board. May I have a motion to approve?

**ALD KENNEDY:** So move.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned by Alderwoman Kennedy

**ALD MALONE MARSHALL:** Second.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Seconded by Alderwoman Malone Marshall. Any discussion? Roll Call please.

**CLERK DUMAS:** **AYES:** Tetter, Curtis, Lewis, Tall, Faford, Swanson, Crawford, Osenga, O'Brien, Gall  
Malone Marshall, Kennedy  
(12) Ayes (0) Nays

**RECOMMENDATIONS TO ACCEPT THE STANDING COMMITTEE'S MEETING  
APPOINTMENTS FO THE FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019**

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motion carries. Moving on to Committee Assignments. I am going to pull this off the agenda. I sent an email out about three weeks ago and I heard from about ten of you. I did talk to Alderman Brown this morning...that person assigned to the committee. Alderman Tall I need to hear from you, in terms of what your preferences are. I took into consideration what everybody requested. I want to make sure we have a consensus and I will bring this back to the agenda.

**ALD TALL:** Madam Mayor?

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Yes

**ALD TALL:** Point of Order

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Pardon me

**ALD TALL:** Point of Order. First of all, the Aldermen Committee is the Aldermen Committee not the Mayor's Committee

according to the Municipal Code.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Alderman Tall, until I became Mayor, the Mayor has Always assigned committees. You are correct. I have reached out to all of you to get your input so I compiled the committees based on what you all told me you wanted. So I am going to pull it off so we can get consensus. I have called you and email you and I haven't heard from you. So you can please let me know what you want and I can get the list updated and I will get it sent out and I will bring it back to Council.

**ALD O'BRIEN:** Mayor?

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** I'm sorry go ahead...Alderman O'Brien

**ALD O'BRIEN:** I believe there is interest in voting tonight if that is possible.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** I'm pulling it off the agenda.

**ALD O'BRIEN:** Is that procedurally...

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** I'm pulling it off the agenda

**ALD O'BRIEN:** Is that your ough...Is that your right to do so? Counsel, may I have you opinion?

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** I put it on the agenda and it is my right to pull it.

**CORPORATE COUNSEL:** Frankly, I don't know. I will have to research if she has the right to pull it or not.

**ALD O'BRIEN:** I asked because by May 15<sup>th</sup> each year, the Council is to choose its own members and our next meeting is after May 15<sup>th</sup> and therefore it appears that we must vote tonight.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** We can have a special meeting...I'm pulling it off the agenda. I want to make sure we have consensus.

**ALD O'BRIEN:** I just want to make sure we have consensus. I agree.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Thank you

**ALD OSENGA:** Mayor, I would like to vote...

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Yes

**ALD OSENGA:** I would like to vote on that to see if the majority

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** It doesn't require a vote. I put it on the agenda and I am pulling it off.

**ALD TALL:** Madam Mayor?

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Moving on to Motions and Resolutions.

**ALD TALL:** Madam Mayor?

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Resolutions providing feasibility study

**ALD TALL:** Point...Point of Order.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** You are out of order.

**ALD TALL:** No I am not.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Yes you are.

**ALD TALL:** No I am not. I asked for a point of order.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** You are out of order

**ALD TALL:** The State...

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** You are out of order Alderman Tall

**ALD TALL:** I will finish...I will finish.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Alderman Tall...

**ALD TALL:** I will finish....

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** I'm going to ask that you...

**ALD TALL:** ...According to the Municipal Code there are Robert Rules of Order.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Would you like to be removed? Would you like to be removed?

**ALD TALL:** Yeah...Remove me.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Can you remove him from the Council

**ALD TALL:** Under what rule?

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** You are out of order and I have asked you to stop.

**ALD TALL:** We are not out of order.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** You are out of order. I have made my ruling.

**ALD TALL:** ...Robert Rules of Order...

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** I have made my ruling.

**ALD TALL:** Another Alderperson asked for the same rules and nothing.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Alderman Tall it is 9:40 and this meeting has gone on long enough.

**ALD TALL:** Well, if you follow the Robert Rules of Order...law.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Alderman Tall, if you would be an active participant on this City Council and respond to me when I email you call you or txt you then I will know what you want. So please do that.

**ALD TALL:** I'm stating it right now. This is on the Robert Rules of Order.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** You are out of order.

**ALD TALL:** You can rule us out of order all day but it is not in accordance to the law.

**MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS  
RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR A FEASIBILITY STUDY  
AND THE DESIGNATION OF A PORTION OF  
THE CITY OF KANKAKE AS RIVERFRONT REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA  
AND TO INDUCE DEVELOPMENT INTEREST WITHIN SUCH AREA**

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Moving onto motions and resolutions.  
Item (A) is a Resolution providing for a feasibility study and the designation of a portions of the City of Kankakee as Riverfront Redevelopment Project Area and to induce Development interest within such area. I am going to

defer to Frank. Frank...

**FRANK KOEHLER:**

Thank you Mayor. What this does is authorize the City to move forward and requesting proposals to have the qualified persons...which also of course adopting the resolution. If the City does in fact... Consultant...TIF District. Once funds are generated within the TIF District the City will be able to reach back and reimburse itself for the expenses...in that district...established as a benchmark... We are not requesting funds this evening we are simply asking for authorization to request proposals for Consulting Firms and we will bring it back to the Council for formal action.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Your mic was not on Frank I apologize.

**FRANK KOEHLER:**

Let me... Let me rewind. We are not spending any money this evening. We are simply asking for authorization to go out...for Consultants to do the feasibility study...that study is required under TIF statues...by adopting this legislation this evening it creates a benchmark so any cost incurred by the City...once the TIF is created and the TIF is generating revenue we will then be able to reimburse ourselves once the TIF is created. Again we are not spending any monies. We will go out request for proposals and comeback with a recommendation for Council at which time they will have the ability to approve...

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** May I have a motion to approve the resolution?

**ALD CRAWFORD:** So move.

**ALD FAFORD:** Second.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned by Alderman Crawford and Seconded by Alderman Faford. Any discussion? Roll Call please.

**CLERK DUMAS:**

**AYES:** Tetter, Curtis, Lewis, Tall, Faford, Swanson, Crawford, Osenga, O'Brien, Gall  
Malone Marshall,  
**NO:** Kennedy  
(11) Ayes (1) Nays

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN LAND DONATION  
AGREEMENT OF 1905 EAST COURT STREET, KANKAKEE, ILLINOIS  
PIN: 16-09-33-403-001**

**MAYOR WELLS ARMSTRONG:** Motion carries. Next, we have a land donation agreement of 1905 East Court Street, Kankakee, Illinois and I will defer to Pat.

**PAT POWER:** This the Parcel...on East Court. It was a building that was burned and we had to take it down for safety reasons. It was a foreclosure on it. The purchaser at the foreclosure sale...this property to us because of it's location. We already owned the bowling alley which is adjoining it. This would give us the tow...and this is an agreement to get a title report to donate it to us. The last time we brought it we had the title issue. We did get it...it comes through foreclosure ...so we are bringing it to Council for approval in acceptance of the property.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** May I have a motion to approve?

**ALD TETTER:** So move.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned by Alderman Tetter.

**ALD LEWIS:** Second

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Seconded by Alderwoman Lewis. Any discussion?

**ALD FAFORD:** Yes

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Alderman Faford.

**ALD FAFORD:** Do we know what this is about? ...didn't say any of...

**PAT POWER:** They have got a...Frank help me on this one...Phase 1 and Phase 2 on this.

**FRANK KOEHLER:** Yes, Stan... Environmental...came back with a no issue...

**ALD FAFORD:** Thank you.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Roll Call.

**CLERK DUMAS:** **AYES:** Tetter, Curtis, Lewis, Tall, Faford, Swanson, Crawford, Osenga, O'Brien, Gall  
Malone Marshall, Kennedy  
(12) Ayes (0) Nays

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF KANKAKEE AND KANKAKEE COUNTY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM**

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motion Carries. Item (C) is a resolution authorizing the execution of an intergovernmental agreement between the City of Kankakee and Kankakee County Emergency Response Team. I believe this is Chief Schuldt.

**CHIEF SCHULDT:** No, I believe this is an agreement between KAMEG and the County Sheriff I believe.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Chief?

**CHIEF DUMAS:** There has been no discussion between myself and the Sheriff...as far as...there has been no discussion about this...I didn't know this until today. This is SWAT Team combined County and City. I don't know who put it on the agenda.

**PAT POWER:** This was referred to me by somebody in the department.

**CHIEF DUMAS:** Okay but I didn't do it. I didn't have any discussions or meetings about this so I don't think it should be...

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** I can refer it to Public Safety and you can discuss it with Alderman Brown:

**CHIEF DUMAS:** Okay.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING: BIKE SHARE PROGRAM BETWEEN THE CITY OF KANKAKEE AND ZAGSTER INCORPORATED**

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** The final thing is a resolution authorizing the execution of the memorandum of understanding: Bike Share Program Between the City of Kankakee and Zagster Incorporated. As I communicated in the email, The Tourism Bureau...an agreement to rent bicycles the City entities: The Library, KDC and the City of Kankakee are considering participating. The cost is \$9,000.00 and each entity through the Coty will pay \$3,000 each year and it is a two year commitment. Based on some of your comments earlier, do you want to refer this to Budget? I can defer it to Budget. Elizabeth would you make a note to put it on the agenda for budget for Monday. That will be great.

Lastly we have Alderman Comments. Alderman Crawford?

**ALDERMAN COMMENTS**

**ALD CRAWFORD:** I would like to go into Executive Session on the Agenda.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** We are not going in to Executive Session.

**ALD CRAWFORD:** I will make a motion to go into Executive Session.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned denied. Any other Comments? Alderman O'Brien,

**ALD O'BRIEN:** CDA met today and we have talked for some time about changing the time....so starting next month we will begin meeting at 6:00 P.M. on the first Monday of the month.

**CLERK DUMAS:** Alderman, Can you please send me that information via email that I can advertise with the changes.

**ALD O'BRIEN:** Yes.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Thank you. Alderwoman Kennedy?

**ALD KENNEDY:** I have a couple things. I'm getting a lot...several phones from resident with alleys that need to be repaired. So, I would like to know if you have anything other than the regular...of repairing the street to consider on working on some of the alleys? Some are getting real bad. Another concern I have is there are a few lots in the first Ward owned by the County. The trees are falling down and the limbs...the City won't pick them up, cut them down or figure it out because its County property within the City. So how do you go about taking care of something like this?

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** On you second item I will consult with legal. And your first item...Neil, is the MFT the only fund we have to repairs alleys? Any additional revenue source?

**NEIL PIGGUSH:** Public Works has cold/hot mix that they can use to repair a few alleys as well but otherwise it is the MFT fund. I understand the scope of the alleys, that seems to be an ongoing issue for a broader discussion going forward.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Alderman Tetter.

**ALD TETTER:**

Thank you Your Honor. I wasn't to remind Council members that we in no way are to approach, interfere, interrupt, City workers at any time. It is not in our job...if we are involved in that we have to stop. It's in our Codes... to address those matters. This was brought to my attention... I wanted to bring this up so it will be a matter of Public Record.

**ALD TALL:**

Madam Mayor?

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Alderman Tall

**ALD TALL:**

You know, we keep talking about the Municipal Code, the City's Municipal Code. It's only used when someone wants to put someone down. If we are going to follow the codes then we need to follow the codes...place. The City Code Chapter 2 Section 2-45 states that the Council makes the appointment. I want that read into the record because we keep tipping over things. It's only selected when we want to put someone in their place. The Alderman just spoke about the code. The other Alderman spoke about the code but when we enforce the code is when it's selected. It's only for the benefit of one person or two persons. That's wrong.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** If you are referring to the committees, I talked to ten of you who told me you are fine with your assignments. If you want to do your own committees put it together and send it to me...

**ALD TALL:**

I will give it to you at the end of the night.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Alderman Curtis.

**ALD CURTIS:**

I would like to publically Thank Matt O... for his services on the Kankakee Library Board. He was the current President and what I think he did went way beyond being a member of that board. He was an intricate part of working the 72 hours of Music Fest. Tracking money, tracking other things of that nature. He did a lot of things in the community. He wasn't just a guy that showed up at board meetings. He's a guy that actually got out and put the working gloves on and did the hard work. I just want to thank him for his service.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** I thank Matt for his service as well and anybody else who serves on committees...I just want to say Congratulations to all of our graduates. We had a lot of graduates on this past weekend including our very own Clara Hall who transcribes our city minutes. She graduates this past weekend with a Master's of Organizational Leadership. So I just want to... May I have a motion to adjourn?

**ALD SWANSON:** I so move.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned by Alderwoman Swanson.

**ALD MALONE MARSHALL:** Second.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Seconded by Alderwoman Malone Marshall. All in favor, aye?

**COMMITTEE:** Aye.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:**Opposed same sign. We are adjourned.