

**CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF LOVES PARK, ILLINOIS**

Journal of Proceedings

Regular Meeting, Monday, June 21, 2021

City Hall Council Chambers

Mayor Gregory Jury called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Minister William Cobb of Firstborn Ministries, opened the meeting with an invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Mayor Gregory Jury

Aldermen Jim Puckett, Dan Jacobson, John Pruitt, Jim Thompson, A. Marie Holmes, Robert Schlensker, Doug Allton, Nancy Warden, John Jacobson

Absent: Alderman Mark Peterson

Also Present: City Clerk Bob Burden  
City Attorney Gino Galluzzo

1. Approve Minutes 06/14/21 The Journal of Proceedings for the regular meeting of June 14, 2021 was approved as submitted by the city clerk on a motion by Alderman Schlensker. Second by Alderman Allton. Motion carried. 9 Ayes (Aldermen Puckett, Dan Jacobson, Pruitt, Thompson, Holmes, Schlensker, Allton, Warden, John Jacobson) 1 Absent (Alderman Peterson)
2. Commerce Commission Hearing Received a notice from the Illinois Commerce Commission of a hearing regarding Commonwealth Edison Company, to be held June 22, 2021, in the offices of the Commission, Chicago, IL. Placed on file.
3. Fire Department Mayor Jury commended the Loves Park Fire Department for their hard work with the Heritage Place Condo fire.
4. General Fund Bills Alderman John Jacobson presented the General Fund and all other bills dated June 14, 2021 in the amount of \$354,711.21, and moved that they be paid. Second by Alderman Pruitt. Motion carried. 9 Ayes (Aldermen Puckett, Dan Jacobson, Pruitt, Thompson, Holmes, Schlensker, Allton, Warden, John Jacobson) 1 Absent (Alderman Peterson)
5. Water Department Bills Alderman John Jacobson presented the Water Department bills dated June 14, 2021 in the amount of \$57,668.76, and moved that they be paid. Second by Alderman Pruitt. Motion carried. 9 Ayes (Aldermen Puckett, Dan Jacobson, Pruitt, Thompson, Holmes, Schlensker, Allton, Warden, John Jacobson) 1 Absent (Alderman Peterson)
6. Public Safety Report Alderman Allton presented the Police Department Report dated June 21, 2021; presented the Fire Department Report dated June 15, 2021, to be placed on file.
7. Public Works Report Alderman Schlensker presented the Street Department Report dated June 21, 2021; presented the Water Department Report for June 21, 2021, to be placed on file.
8. Finance and Administration Committee Alderman John Jacobson of the Finance and Administration Committee presented the General Fund and all other bills dated June 21, 2021 in the amount of \$132,128.94, for consideration at next week's city council meeting; presented the minutes from the committee meeting held June 14, 2021, to be placed on file.

9. Public Works Committee Alderman Schlensker of the Public Works Committee presented the Water Department list of bills dated June 21, 2021 in the amount of \$224,462.19, for consideration at next week's city council meeting; presented the minutes from the committee meeting held June 1, 2021, to be placed on file.
10. IMRF Military Service Credit Alderman John Jacobson presented the following resolution, **WHEREAS**, Article 7 of the Illinois Pension Code (40 ILCS 5/7-139) provides that the governing body of a governmental unit may elect to allow service credit in the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund to members who served in the armed forces of the United States for all periods of such service prior to their participation in IMRF or whose participation was interrupted by military service but did not return to IMRF participation within 90 days of discharge, and **WHEREAS**, such allowance of service credit cannot be limited to a specific IMRF member and applies to all employees who were in active participating status under IMRF on the date this resolution was adopted; **RESOLVED**, that the City Council of the City of Loves Park elects to allow service credit to members who served in the armed forces of the United States for up to four years of service, prior to their participation in the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund; **FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the City Clerk shall be directed to file a certified copy of this resolution with the Board of Trustees of the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund and that this resolution shall remain in full force and effect until modified or rescinded and notice of such modification or rescission has been filed with the Board of Trustee of the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund. This resolution is not limited to a specific military operation. Second by Alderman Allton. Motion carried. 7 Ayes (Aldermen Dan Jacobson, Thompson, Holmes, Schlensker, Allton, Warden, John Jacobson) 2 Abstain (Aldermen Puckett, Pruitt) 1 Absent (Alderman Peterson)  
**RESOLUTION NO. 21-058**
11. Union Local 150 Memorandum Of Understanding Alderman John Jacobson presented the following resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter a Memorandum of Understanding with the International Union of Operating Engineers Local 150 concerning deferred wages due to the Covid-19 Pandemic. **WHEREAS**, Between May 1, 2020 and October 31, 2020, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the members of the International Union of Operating Engineers Local 150 ("Union") of the City of Loves Park's ("City") public works department voluntarily deferred wage increases the City was obligated to pay pursuant to certain terms and conditions in the Collective Bargaining Agreement ("CBA") governing employment relations between the Union and City during that time period; and **WHEREAS**, the City and Union have agreed to terms of a successor SBA that includes a Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") in which the City agrees to make a one-time payment equivalent to the amount of deferred wage increases to make those Union members whole for their sacrifice during the COVID-19 pandemic. **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the City Council of the City of Loves Park, Illinois, that by the adoption of this resolution, that the City hereby agrees:
1. The above recitals are hereby incorporated into this Resolution as if fully stated herein.
  2. The City Council hereby approves entering into the MOU with the Union to pay the deferred wage increases and authorizes the Mayor, or his designee, to execute the MOU in substantially the same form as attached hereto as Exhibit "A".
  3. This Resolution will be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval, and publication in pamphlet form in the manner provided by law.
- Second by Alderman Pruitt. Motion carried. 9 Ayes (Aldermen Puckett, Dan Jacobson, Pruitt, Thompson, Holmes, Schlensker, Allton, Warden, John Jacobson) 1 Absent (Alderman Peterson)  
**RESOLUTION NO. 21-059**

12. Police Department To Hire Jonathan Johannsen  
Alderman John Jacobson presented the following resolution and moved for its adoption: **RESOLVED**, that by the adoption of this Resolution, that the Mayor is authorized to hire one police officer to fill a vacant position within the Loves Park Police Department. The individual, Jonathan Johannsen, is the next eligible candidate on the current Civil Service lateral roster. Be it further resolved that the official start date will be Tuesday, July 6, 2021. Wages and benefits are set by current Fraternal Order of Police Collective Bargaining Agreement. Second by Alderman Allton. Motion carried. 9 Ayes (Aldermen Puckett, Dan Jacobson, Pruitt, Thompson, Holmes, Schlensker, Allton, Warden, John Jacobson) 1 Absent (Alderman Peterson)  
**RESOLUTION NO. 21-060**
13. Water Department To Purchase Water Main For River Lane Phase One Water Main Project  
Alderman Schlensker presented the following resolution and moved for its adoption: **RESOLVED**, that by the adoption of this Resolution, that the Water Department Manager is authorized to purchase 2340 ft. of ten-inch water main from Core and Main, 6829 Irene Road, Belvidere, Illinois 61008, for the River Lane Phase One water main project for a cost of \$55,809.00. Funds shall be taken from Account No. 31-00-1955 (River Lane Water Main). Second by Alderman John Jacobson. Motion carried. 9 Ayes (Aldermen Puckett, Dan Jacobson, Pruitt, Thompson, Holmes, Schlensker, Allton, Warden, John Jacobson) 1 Absent (Alderman Peterson)  
**RESOLUTION NO. 21-061**
14. Ordinances First Reading  
Alderman Warden presented for first reading Agenda Items 1-2, from Ordinances First Reading.
15. 1<sup>st</sup> Reading Amending Chapter 6, Section 6-43/ Liquor Licenses  
Alderman Warden presented for first reading an ordinance amending Chapter 6, Section 6-43 of the Code of Ordinances regarding Liquor Licenses, and moved to waive the reading of the ordinance as all aldermen have been provided copies. Second by Alderman Pruitt. Motion carried. 9 Ayes (Aldermen Puckett, Dan Jacobson, Pruitt, Thompson, Peterson, Holmes, Schlensker, Warden, John Jacobson) 1 Absent (Alderman Peterson) Laid over
16. 1<sup>st</sup> Reading Liquor License For 7650 N. Alpine Road  
Alderman Warden presented for first reading an ordinance approving the issuance of a Class B Liquor License for Pala Fuels, Inc., 7650 N. Alpine Road, and moved to waive the reading of the ordinance as all aldermen have been provided copies. Second by Alderman Pruitt. Motion carried. 9 Ayes (Aldermen Puckett, Dan Jacobson, Pruitt, Thompson, Holmes, Schlensker, Allton, Warden, John Jacobson) 1 Absent (Alderman Peterson) Laid over
17. Suspend Rules  
Alderman Warden moved to suspend any and all rules to bring the above ordinance in for second reading. Second by Alderman Allton. Motion carried. 9 Ayes (Aldermen Puckett, Dan Jacobson, Pruitt, Thompson, Holmes, Schlensker, Allton, Warden, John Jacobson) 1 Absent (Alderman Peterson)
18. ORD4419-21 Liquor License For 7650 N. Alpine Road  
Alderman Warden presented for second reading an ordinance approving the issuance of a Class B Liquor License for Pala Fuels, Inc., 7650 N. Alpine Road., and moved for passage of the ordinance. Second by Alderman Pruitt. Motion carried. 9 Ayes (Aldermen Puckett, Dan Jacobson, Pruitt, Thompson, Peterson, Holmes, Schlensker, Warden, John Jacobson) 1 Absent (Alderman Peterson)  
**ORDINANCE NO. 4419-21**
19. Adjourn  
Alderman John Jacobson moved that the meeting be adjourned. Second by Alderman Schlensker. Motion carried by voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 6:11 p.m.

**APPROVED:**

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**Robert J. Burden, City Clerk**

**STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS:**

Community Development:	Following Council Meeting 6:15 p.m.
Finance and Administration:	Prior to Council Meeting 5:40 p.m.
Public Works:	Prior to Council Meeting 5:15 p.m.
Zoning Board of Appeals:	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the Month 5:30 p.m.