

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE LA SALLE CITY COUNCIL
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS,
745 SECOND STREET, LA SALLE, IL.
7:00 P.M., MONDAY, APRIL 18, 2011**

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

PRESENT Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Green, Ptak, Lavieri,
Salazar, Schroeder, Herndon

ABSENT None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Alderman Schroeder and seconded by Alderman Herndon that the minutes of the last regular meeting held Monday, April 4, 2011 are accepted and placed on file; each and every alderman has a copy. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

PETITIONS

Moved by Alderman Green and seconded by Alderman Demes that the Knights of Columbus Calvert Council 792 is given permission to conduct a Tootsie Roll candy sale in the city on September 16, 17 and 18, 2011. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Salazar that Ameren Illinois is given permission to break ground at 401 Garfield Avenue to install gas service and at 1545 Illinois Avenue to relocate gas service. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Bacidore and seconded by Alderman Demes that permission is given to Brandy Reilly, March of Dimes Ambassador Family, to have a tag day collection at the intersection of Bucklin & 11th Streets on Thursday and Friday, April 28 and 29 between the hours of 5:00 and 8:00 P.M. and further that adults only are allowed to collect in the intersection and that reflective clothing is worn. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Salazar that the requests from Christopher Sester, Adam Admani and Jennifer Molitor to solicit door-to-door to sell Truegreen Lawn Care is granted, with the stipulation that all no soliciting signs are honored. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Green and seconded by Alderman Ptak that, at the recommendation by the Finance Committee, and donation of \$250.00 is given to the Better Fishing Association of Northern Illinois for the Kid's Fishing events.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Green, Ptak, Salazar, Schroeder, Herndon. NAY: None. PASS: Alderman Lavieri. Motion carried.

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS

Moved by Alderman Green and seconded by Alderman Ptak that the Treasurers' Report for March 2011 showing cash balances in the LaSalle State Bank of \$768,198.42 and in the Hometown National Bank of \$1,982,183.44 is accepted and placed on file; each alderman has a copy. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Herndon and seconded by Alderman Lavieri that the Police Income Report for March 2011 showing fees collected of \$13,839.93 is accepted and placed on file; each alderman has a copy. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Moved by Alderman Green and seconded by Alderman Demes that the Illinois Department of Transportation Report showing motor fuel tax allotment for March 2011 of \$20,871.69 is accepted and placed on file; each alderman has a copy. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Green and seconded by Alderman Ptak that the Illinois Department of Revenue reports showing sales tax for January 2011 of \$54,122.48 and referendum approved sales tax of \$22,354.69 for a total of \$76,477.17, with a note that sales tax is down \$42,699.76 from that time period last year. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

PROCLAMATION

Moved by Alderman Demes and seconded by Alderman Ptak that the Mayor's Proclamation designating Saturday, May 7, 2011 as "International Free Comic Book Day" in the City of LaSalle is accepted and placed on file; each and every alderman has a copy. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

STANDING COMMITTEES

Alderman Demes reported that the Streets, Alleys and Traffic Committee revisited the recent recommendation regarding parking issues on O'Connor Avenue near the LaSalle Veterans' Home and have amended the recommendation. Therefore, moved by Alderman Demes and seconded by Alderman Bacidore that parking be allowed on the north side of O'Connor from St. Vincent's Avenue to Crosat Street and that there shall be no parking on the south side of O'Connor for 50' both East and West of Tonti Street and that the curbs also are painted yellow to help enforce the no parking restriction.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Green, Ptak, Lavieri, Salazar, Schroeder, Herndon. NAY: None. Motion carried.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

OLD BUSINESS

Moved by Alderman Green and seconded by Alderman Ptak that authorization is given for payment to Sjostrom Sons, Inc. and John Pohar & sons Inc., pending approval of the IEPA.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Green, Ptak, Lavieri, Salazar, Schroeder, Herndon. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Green and seconded by Alderman Bacidore that approval is given for Change Orders from Crawford, Murphy & Tilly, Inc. for the East Side Wastewater Treatment Facility.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Green, Ptak, Lavieri, Salazar, Schroeder, Herndon. NAY: None. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Moved by Alderman Herndon and seconded by Alderman Schroeder that authorization is given for Police Chief Rob Uranich to enter into a lease option agreement with Hometown National Bank for two new squad cars. The City will get a third vehicle at no cost through the Vehicle Fund at the Circuit Clerk's office.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Green, Ptak, Lavieri, Salazar, Schroeder, Herndon. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Alderman Bacidore asked if perhaps the Farmers Market could be relocated from the South end of Hegeler Park to the North end because of the school children present when school lets out. Some of the aldermen said they have not received any complaints from residents about the location, and therefore they saw no reason to relocate it. Mayor Grove said the vendors were happy with the location and they would prefer to be there.

Moved by Alderman Demes and seconded by Alderman Lavieri that an issue regarding the alley going North off of 11th Street between Bucklin and Wright Streets is referred to the Streets, Alleys and Traffic Committee for a recommendation. A resident at 455 11th Street said there is speeding problem through that alley. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

Alderman Demes said he has received complaints about landlords of multi-family residences who frequently do not pay for a private hauler to pick up trash and therefore, the hauler leaves it and the accumulation becomes a health hazard. Alderman Demes asked that the City Attorney investigates our current ordinances to see if there is anything the city can do to alleviate the problem.

Alderman Ptak asked if the city would consider having a recycling center where residents can dispose of their old electronic equipment. Alderman Lavieri said G&W Recycling currently takes electronic equipment and also that Dir/Supt McNeilly is currently investigating that issue.

Alderman Bacidore addressed the current number of video games allowed in taverns and businesses and asked if that number of 5 could be increased since the State is

contemplating requiring businesses to have a minimum of 5 machines. This will be addressed if and when the State makes that requirement.

ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS

Moved by Alderman Green and seconded by Alderman Ptak that Ordinance No. 2265: An Ordinance Making Transfers of Amounts Appropriated from One Corporate Purpose to another Corporate Purpose is accepted and passed; each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Green, Ptak, Lavieri, Salazar, Schroeder, Herndon. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 2265: An Ordinance Making Transfers of Amounts Appropriated from One Corporate Purpose to another Corporate Purpose.

Moved by Alderman Green and seconded by Alderman Lavieri that Ordinance No. 2266: An Ordinance Authorizing Entry into Garbage Disposal Agreement, Related to Fees to City Households, and Related Matters is accepted and passed; each alderman has a copy. Further that residents are informed about the yard waste collection program via newspaper and radio ads as well as handouts at residences and also additional stipulations to the agreement that may be determined by the City Attorney.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Green, Ptak, Lavieri, Salazar, Schroeder, Herndon. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 2266: An Ordinance Authorizing Entry into Garbage Disposal Agreement, Related to Fees to City Households, and Related Matters

Moved by Alderman Demes and seconded by Alderman Bacidore that Ordinance No. 2267: An Ordinance Further Regulating and Amending Parking Ordinances in the City of LaSalle, Illinois (Parking on O'Conor near Tonti St.) is accepted and passed; each alderman had a copy

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Green, Ptak, Lavieri, Salazar, Schroeder, Herndon. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 2267: An Ordinance Further Regulating and Amending Parking Ordinances in the City of LaSalle, Illinois (Parking on O'Conor near Tonti St.)

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Salazar that Ordinance No. 2268: An Ordinance Approving the Transfer of Volume Cap in Connection with Private Activity Bond Issues, and Related Matters (First Time Homebuyers) is accepted and passed; each alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Green, Ptak, Lavieri, Salazar, Schroeder, Herndon. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 2268: An Ordinance Approving the Transfer of Volume Cap in Connection with

Private Activity Bond Issues, and Related Matters (First Time Homebuyers)

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Moved by Alderman Green and seconded by Alderman Demes that bills submitted totaling \$219,754.91 (Payroll \$151,960.26; bills to be paid \$36,395.86; bills paid \$31,398.79) be accepted, paid and placed on file; each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Green, Ptak, Lavieri, Salazar, Schroeder, Herndon. NAY: None. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Alderman Salazar and seconded by Alderman Schroeder that the meeting be adjourned. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

ADJOURNED 7:43 P. M.

Virginia Kochanowski Clerk

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