

**CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES
AUGUST 6, 2024**

COMMITTEE MEETING

1. Economic Development: 4:30-5:20

Sign-In: Brad Eavenson (Chairperson), Kim Pierson, Greg Garcia, Jerry Harrington, Bob Pickerell, City Clerk Jenna DeYong, Mayor Parkinson, Attorney Brian Konzen, Dan McDowell, Mary Davis, Jason Smith and Randy LeMaster were present.

Jim Hawkins was absent.

Alderson Eavenson called the meeting to order.

Motion by Alderson Eavenson, seconded by Alderson McDowell to go into closed session to discuss property acquisition. All voted yes, motion carried.

BEGIN CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Alderson Eavenson, seconded by Alderson McDowell to come out of closed session. All voted yes, motion carried.

END OF CLOSED SESSION

Alderson Eavenson deferred to Cathy Hamilton

Hamilton gave a brief description on the need for proper zoning and development plans, Alderson Eavenson added there is a need to use professionals to create the layout of the city.

Motion by Alderson Eavenson, seconded by Alderson McDowell to approve a Resolution to approve a letter of engagement with PGAV Planners, LLC to design a Downtown Master Plan. All voted yes, motion carried.

Motion by Alderson Eavenson, seconded by Alderson McDowell to approve a letter of engagement with PGAV Planners, LLC to design entryway signage for Granite City. All voted yes, motion carried.

Alderson Eavenson deferred to Cathy Hamilton.

Hamilton discussed the Nameoki Corridor and the space purchased to create an entryway, naming the area the Gateway to the Community, stating it is the most economically productive corridor in the city with 500,000 cars passing through it monthly.

Cathy Hamilton advised on America's Central Port's request for reimbursement of TIF funds for engineering expenses in addition to a request for an expansion of TIF boundaries. Mayor Parkinson stated the other taxing bodies would have to vote in agreement, adding that increasing the TIF boundaries would make TIF funds available to American Water while giving fewer tax dollars to the City of Granite City.

Aldersperson McDowell inquired if the benefits/disadvantages to the City, American Water and the Port had been researched. Mayor Parkinson stated there is no advantage to the city. Cathy Hamilton advised that further detailed discussions would be held at upcoming meetings, stating that giving away EAV is a tough proposition, adding it is critical to have a clear direction as this would affect pension payments as well as the General Fund.

Aldersperson Eavenson stated he agreed that losing the EAV on a property and giving a tax break to a company that our citizens already complain about needed to be considered, encouraging the council to read the documents and contact Cathy Hamilton or Mayor Parkinson with any questions or concerns, advising that action would need to be taken soon.

Cathy Hamilton stated the final payment was made to Prairie Farms, closing out the Downtown TIF, adding that the TIF had been in existence since 1986.

Cathy Hamilton shared a packet outlining the Small Business Grant Program related to COVID funds administered by Madison County and the City of Granite City. Packets will be available to disperse upon request.

Motion by Aldersperson Eavenson, seconded by Aldersperson Harrington to adjourn the meeting. All voted yes, motion carried.

Attest

Jenna DeYong, City Clerk

2. Legal & Legislative: 5:20-5:50

Sign-In: Jason Smith (Chairperson), Kim Pierson, Greg Garcia, Jerry Harrington, Bob Pickerell, City Clerk Jenna DeYong, Mayor Parkinson, Attorney Brian Konzen, Brad Eavenson, Dan McDowell, Mary Davis and Randy LeMaster were present.

Jim Hawkins was absent.

Aldersperson Smith called the meeting to order.

Aldersperson Smith deferred to Mayor Parkinson.

Mayor Parkinson advised that Level1Up Arcade had requested a Liquor and Gaming License to expand its business. He stated that as the Liquor Commissioner, the request would be granted.

Aldersperson LeMaster questioned if the city would incur any cost for remodeling of the current location, Mayor Parkinson stated the business owner would cover any cost of remodeling.

Aldersperson Smith opened discussion to repeal the current Ordinances governing fingerprints and background checks for contractors that seek a city business license.

City Clerk DeYong stated the process can take weeks to complete and has held up jobs that residents and businesses are required to do to update their properties, etc. The Clerk stated that the background check is not a nationwide check, adding that companies from out of state have an advantage if they have no criminal history in Illinois.

Mayor Parkinson stated he wanted background checks for solicitors to continue, adding that it may be in the best interest of the city to hire a company to conduct the background checks, freeing up the Police Department from the task.

Motion by Alderperson Smith, seconded by Alderperson LeMaster to have Ordinances 8325 & 8541 repealed. All voted yes, motion carried.

Motion by Alderperson Smith, seconded by Alderperson LeMaster to adjourn the meeting. All voted yes, motion carried.

Attest

Jenna DeYong, City Clerk

3. Finance: 5:50-6:20

Sign-In: Brad Eavenson, Kim Pierson, Greg Garcia, Jerry Harrington, Bob Pickerell, City Clerk Jenna DeYong, Mayor Parkinson, Attorney Brian Konzen, Dan McDowell, Mary Davis, Jason Smith and Randy LeMaster were present.

Jim Hawkins was absent.

In the absence of Alderperson Hawkins, Alderperson Eavenson called the meeting to order.

Alderperson Eavenson opened the floor to discuss the request by the owner of Steel City Plaza for debt forgiveness of delinquent sewer bills. The owner claims he had not received the bills and the tenants responsible were no longer renting the space. His position is that the city had not informed him of the delinquent amounts in a timely manner, making it impossible to collect from tenants that are unable to be found. His request was for forgiveness of \$3,325.31.

Alderperson Eavenson stated he felt this is a property owner/tenant problem that may need to be solved in small claims court, not with the city.

Motion by Alderperson Eavenson, seconded by Alderperson McDowell to deny the request for debt forgiveness. All voted yes, motion carried.

Building & Zoning Administrator Greg Koberna advised the first round of demolition bids came back with the low bidder being Petroff for the amount of \$209,285. The first round is for a total of 16 houses. Koberna advised the cut-off for the second round of bids is August 24, 2024, for ten more homes, and the third round of bids would be due in September.

Motion by Alderperson Eavenson, seconded by Alderperson McDowell to place on file the bid tabulation sheet for the first round bids. All voted yes, motion carried.

Motion by Alderperson Eavenson, seconded by Alderperson McDowell to award the bid to Petroff in the amount of \$209,285. All voted yes, motion carried.

Mayor Parkinson advised the council that the property on 23rd Street is in litigation and cannot be touched by the city.

Alderson LeMaster questioned if there had been any inquiries about new development on sites that had demolitions done. Mayor Parkinson stated there had been.

Motion by Alderson Eavenson, seconded by Alderson McDowell to adjourn the meeting. All voted yes, motion carried.

Attest

Jenna DeYong, City Clerk

4. Planning & Zoning/Public Works: 6:20-6:30

Sign-In: Dan McDowell/Bob Pickerell (Chairpersons), Kim Pierson, Greg Garcia, Jerry Harrington, Bob Pickerell, City Clerk Jenna DeYong, Mayor Parkinson, Attorney Brian Konzen, Brad Eavenson, Dan McDowell, Mary Davis, Jason Smith and Randy LeMaster were present.
Jim Hawkins was absent.

Alderson McDowell called the meeting to order.

Alderson McDowell deferred to Greg Koberna. Koberna advised the property owner of 2242 State Street had requested a curb cutting on the south side of the current driveway to increase access.

Motion by Alderson McDowell, seconded by Alderson Davis to approve the curb cutting at 2242 State Street. All voted yes, motion carried.

Motion by Alderson Pickerell, seconded by Alderson Smith to approve an extension of handicap parking at 2303 Anchorage. All voted yes, motion carried.

Motion by Alderson Pickerell, seconded by Alderson Smith to approve an extension of handicap parking at 2302 Winters. All voted yes, motion carried.

Motion by Alderson Pickerell, seconded by Alderson McDowell to adjourn the meeting. All voted yes, motion carried.

Attest

Jenna DeYong, City Clerk

5. The District: 6:30-6:40

Sign-In: Mary Davis (Chairperson), Kim Pierson, Greg Garcia, Jerry Harrington, Bob Pickerell, City Clerk Jenna DeYong, Mayor Parkinson, Attorney Brian Konzen, Brad Eavenson, Dan McDowell, Jason Smith and Randy LeMaster were present.
Jim Hawkins was absent.

Alderson Davis called the meeting to order.

Alderson Davis deferred to Director of Arts & Entertainment Brenda Whitaker.

Whitaker advised the council that the Granite City Cinema had an 18% decrease from this time last year. The decrease was contributed to the Writers Guild of America and Screen Actors Guild strikes resulting in poor movie selections. Decreases were seen nationwide.

Whitaker advised that with the upcoming release of Betteljuice, the cinema should rebound.

Whitaker reported the Classic Movie Series continued this year with an increase of over 200 ticket sales from last year.

Whitaker stated the rooftop A/C units have been installed, and the Cinema was able to remain open during the duration of the project.

Mayor Parkinson stated the lighting of the Neon Park surpassed all expectations with an estimated 300+ in attendance, adding the city was not prepared for the large number of people that came out to experience the event, including local state representatives and a spot on the local news. Parkinson stated Arts & Entertainment Director Brenda Whitaker had an idea and did an amazing job bringing it to life, adding she had tedious deadlines that had to be met, or the city would have lost the grant funds awarded.

Whitaker announced she had been approached by Great Rivers & Routes for an additional \$40,000 in Grant Funds for another project, adding she had an idea and would meet with the Mayor later in the week. Whitaker stated the "Go Guide" would feature Granite City's Neon Park on the cover and would be distributed internationally.

Aldersperson McDowell asked if there would be cameras around Neon Park. Assistant Chief Gary Brooks stated they would be moving cameras around to cover the park.

Aldersperson Pierson advised that Mr. Twist reported 3 couples traveling Route 66 had stopped in the past week.

Motion by Aldersperson Davis, seconded by Aldersperson McDowell to adjourn the meeting. All voted yes, motion carried.

Attest

Jenna DeYong, City Clerk

6. Police: 6:40-6:50

Sign-In: Jerry Harrington (Chairperson), Kim Pierson, Greg Garcia, Bob Pickerell, City Clerk Jenna DeYong, Mayor Parkinson, Attorney Brian Konzen, Dan McDowell, Mary Davis, Jason Smith and Randy LeMaster were present.

Jim Hawkins was absent.

Aldersperson Harrington called the meeting to order.

Motion by Aldersperson Harrington, seconded by Aldersperson Smith to approve an Ordinance authorizing the Granite City School Resource Officer Coolidge Middle School Program Agreement for the 2024-2025 School Year. All voted yes, motion carried.

Motion by Alderperson Harrington, seconded by Alderperson Smith to approve an Ordinance renewing the Granite City School Drug Education Program Agreement for the 2024-2025 School Year. All voted yes, motion carried.

Motion by Alderperson Harrington, seconded by Alderperson Davis to approve an Ordinance authorizing the Granite City School Resource Officer High School Program Agreement for the 2024-2025 School Year. All voted yes, motion carried.

Motion by Alderperson Harrington, seconded by Alderperson Davis to approve an Ordinance approving the School Resource Officer Program Agreement with Coordinated Youth & Human Services for the 2024-2025 School Year. All voted yes, motion carried.

Motion by Alderperson Harrington, seconded by Alderperson Smith to adjourn the meeting. All voted yes, motion carried.

Attest

Jenna DeYong, City Clerk

TOWNSHIP MEETING

Invocation was led by Dan Klueskins.

Mayor Parkinson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Roll Call

ROLL CALL: Mayor Parkinson, Alderperson McDowell, Alderperson Pickerell, Alderperson Davis, Alderperson Eavenson, Alderperson Smith, Alderperson Harrington, Alderperson LeMaster, Alderperson Pierson, Alderperson Garcia and City Clerk Jenna DeYong were present.
Alderperson Hawkins was absent.

3. Township Board Minutes - Approval of the Township Board Meeting minutes from July 16, 2024

Motion by Alderperson Pierson, seconded by Alderperson Harrington to approve the Township Board Meeting minutes from July 16, 2024. All voted yes, motion carried.

4. Presentation of Communications

None

5. Finance Committee: Jim Hawkins, Chairperson

A. Bill List - August 6, 2024

Motion by Alderperson Eavenson, seconded by Alderperson McDowell to approve the bills payable from the Town Fund in the amount of \$43,213.83.

ROLL CALL: Mayor Parkinson, Alderperson McDowell, Alderperson Pickerell, Alderperson Davis, Alderperson Eavenson, Alderperson Smith, Alderperson Harrington, Alderperson LeMaster, Alderperson Hawkins, Alderperson Pierson and Alderperson Garcia. All voted yes, motion carried.

Motion by Alderperson Eavenson, seconded by Alderperson McDowell to approve the bills payable from the General Assistance Fund in the amount of \$18,848.73.

ROLL CALL: Mayor Parkinson, Alderperson McDowell, Alderperson Pickerell, Alderperson Davis, Alderperson Eavenson, Alderperson Smith, Alderperson Harrington, Alderperson LeMaster, Alderperson Hawkins, Alderperson Pierson and Alderperson Garcia. All voted yes, motion carried.

B. Approval of the Town Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for 2024-2025

Motion by Alderperson Eavenson, seconded by Alderperson Davis to approve and place on file the Town Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for 2024-2025.

ROLL CALL: Mayor Parkinson, Alderperson McDowell, Alderperson Pickerell, Alderperson Davis, Alderperson Eavenson, Alderperson Smith, Alderperson Harrington, Alderperson LeMaster, Alderperson Pierson and Alderperson Garcia. All voted yes, motion carried.
Alderperson Hawkins was absent.

6. Unfinished Business

7. New Business

8. Adjournment

Motion by Alderperson Harrington, seconded by Alderperson Garcia to adjourn the meeting. All voted yes, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:04 p.m.

Attest

Jenna DeYong, City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor Parkinson called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

1. Roll Call

ROLL CALL: Mayor Parkinson, Alderperson McDowell, Alderperson Pickerell, Alderperson Davis, Alderperson Eavenson, Alderperson Smith, Alderperson Harrington, Alderperson LeMaster, Alderperson Pierson, Alderperson Garcia and City Clerk Jenna DeYong were present. Alderperson Hawkins was absent.

2. City Council Minutes - Approval of the City Council Meeting minutes from July 16, 2024.

Motion by Alderperson Pierson, seconded by Alderperson Garcia to approve the City Council Meeting minutes from July 16, 2024. All voted yes, motion carried.

3. Presentation of Communications

A. Road Closure request by Debbie Mendoza

Motion by Alderperson Smith, seconded by Alderperson Davis to approve the Road Closure on September 28, 2024, from 12:00 p.m. -7:00 p.m. All voted yes, motion carried.

4. Mayor's Remarks

Mayor Parkinson introduced Nina Jackson, a life-long resident of Granite City who had taken on the job to form a committee to raise funds to decorate Madison Ave for Christmas.

Mrs. Jackson stated her committee has raised a total of \$15,045.00 to date with a goal of \$35,000. She indicated the committee would continue to raise funds, asking that the Council help spread the word and solicit donations.

Mrs. Jackson advised there is a Trivia Night at the Moose Lodge on August 17, 2024, and Glo Bingo at the Eagles on September 7, 2024.

Mayor Parkinson thanked Mrs. Jackson on behalf of the Council and City.

A. Retirement of Patrick Davis

Mayor Parkinson recognized the retirement of Patrick Davis after 18.5 years of service with the city of Granite City.

B. Retirement of Fire Chief Rich Moore

Mayor Parkinson recognized the retirement of Fire Chief Rich Moore after 30 years of service to the city of Granite City.

C. Appointment of Todd Richey to Fire Chief and Scott Nonn to Assistant Fire Chief

Motion by Alderperson Eavenson, seconded by Alderperson McDowell to appoint Todd Richey to Fire Chief. All voted yes, motion carried.

Motion by Alderperson Smith, seconded by Alderperson LeMaster to appoint Scott Nonn to Assistant Fire Chief. All voted yes, motion carried.

D. Appointment of Greg Faulkner to the Plan Commission and the Graphic Review Board

Motion by Alderperson McDowell, seconded by Alderperson Smith to appoint Greg Faulkner to the Plan Commission and Graphic Review Board. All voted yes, motion carried.

5. Public Correspondence

A. Request to Address the Council from Malissa Gray

Malissa Gray addressed the Council regarding the demolition of dilapidated houses throughout the city. Ms. Gray stated the houses attract criminal behavior to surrounding homes, costing landlords

thousands of dollars in repairs.

Mayor Parkinson advised that the city had taken down over 130 houses and is currently working on bids to continue demolition of such houses.

6. Report of Standing Committees:

A. Negotiations Committee: Greg Garcia, Chairperson

No Report

B. The District Committee: Mary Davis, Chairperson

Aldersperson Davis reminded the Council of the upcoming Music in the Park on Wednesdays and announced the Cinema Classic Movie on August 13, 2024 would be Mamma Mia.

C. Planning & Zoning Committee: Dan McDowell, Chairperson

i. Approval of the Planning & Zoning Committee Meeting minutes from July 16, 2024

Motion by Aldersperson McDowell, seconded by Aldersperson Davis to approve the Planning & Zoning Committee Meeting minutes from July 16, 2024. All voted yes, motion carried.

ii. A Resolution to release any lien for demolition at 1961 Spruce Street

Motion by Aldersperson McDowell, seconded by Aldersperson LeMaster to approve a Resolution to release any lien for demolition at 1961 Spruce Street.

ROLL CALL: Aldersperson McDowell, Aldersperson Pickerell, Aldersperson Davis, Aldersperson Eavenson, Aldersperson Smith, Aldersperson Harrington, Aldersperson LeMaster, Aldersperson Pierson and Aldersperson Garcia. All voted yes, motion carried.

Aldersperson Hawkins was absent.

iii. An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No 10246 to correct the legal description of the property to be conveyed to Madison County Transit District

Motion by Aldersperson McDowell, seconded by Aldersperson Eavenson to approve an Ordinance to amend Ordinance No 10246 to correct the legal description of the property to be conveyed to Madison County Transit District.

ROLL CALL: Aldersperson McDowell, Aldersperson Pickerell, Aldersperson Davis, Aldersperson Eavenson, Aldersperson Smith, Aldersperson Harrington, Aldersperson LeMaster, Aldersperson Pierson and Aldersperson Garcia. All voted yes, motion carried.

Aldersperson Hawkins was absent.

FINAL PASSAGE: Aldersperson McDowell, Aldersperson Pickerell, Aldersperson Davis, Aldersperson Eavenson, Aldersperson Smith, Aldersperson Harrington, Aldersperson LeMaster, Aldersperson Pierson and Aldersperson Garcia. All voted yes, motion carried.

Aldersperson Hawkins was absent.

D. Legal & Legislative Committee: Jason Smith, Chairperson

i. Approval of the Legal & Legislative Committee Meeting minutes from July 2, 2024

Motion by Aldersperson Smith, seconded by Aldersperson Harrington to approve the Legal & Legislative Committee Meeting minutes from July 2, 2024. All voted yes, motion carried.

ii. Approval of the Legal & Legislative Committee Meeting minutes from July 16, 2024

Motion by Aldersperson Smith, seconded by Aldersperson LeMaster to approve the Legal & Legislative Committee Meeting minutes from July 16, 2024. All voted yes, motion carried.

iii. Level1Up Arcade additional licenses

E. Public Works Committee: Bob Pickerell, Chairperson

i. Approval of the Public Works Committee Meeting minutes from July 16, 2024

Motion by Alderperson Pickerell, seconded by Alderperson Harrington to approve the Public Works Committee Meeting minutes from July 16, 2024. All voted yes, motion carried.

ii. An Ordinance extending Ordinance No 10054 and renewing one handicapped parking space for two years at 2948 Grand Ave within the city of Granite City

Motion by Alderperson Pickerell, seconded by Alderperson Garcia to approve an Ordinance to Amend Ordinance 10054 and renewing one handicapped parking space for two years at 2948 Grand Ave within the city of Granite City.

ROLL CALL: Alderperson McDowell, Alderperson Pickerell, Alderperson Davis, Alderperson Eavenson, Alderperson Smith, Alderperson Harrington, Alderperson LeMaster, Alderperson Pierson and Alderperson Garcia. All voted yes, motion carried.

Alderperson Hawkins was absent.

FINAL PASSAGE: Alderperson McDowell, Alderperson Pickerell, Alderperson Davis, Alderperson Eavenson, Alderperson Smith, Alderperson Harrington, Alderperson LeMaster, Alderperson Pierson and Alderperson Garcia. All voted yes, motion carried.

Alderperson Hawkins was absent.

iii. An Ordinance extending Ordinance 10075 and renewing one handicapped parking space for two years at 2301 Anchorage Drive within the city of Granite City

Motion by Alderperson Pickerell, seconded by Alderperson Harrington to approve an Ordinance extending Ordinance 10075 and renewing one handicapped parking space for two years at 2301 Anchorage Drive within the city of Granite City.

ROLL CALL: Alderperson McDowell, Alderperson Pickerell, Alderperson Davis, Alderperson Eavenson, Alderperson Smith, Alderperson Harrington, Alderperson LeMaster, Alderperson Pierson and Alderperson Garcia. All voted yes, motion carried.

Alderperson Hawkins was absent.

FINAL PASSAGE: Alderperson McDowell, Alderperson Pickerell, Alderperson Davis, Alderperson Eavenson, Alderperson Smith, Alderperson Harrington, Alderperson LeMaster, Alderperson Pierson and Alderperson Garcia. All voted yes, motion carried.

Alderperson Hawkins was absent.

iv. An Ordinance establishing one handicapped parking space for two years at 1716 Maple Street within the city of Granite City

Motion by Alderperson Pickerell, seconded by Alderperson Garcia to invoke the omnibus rule for items iv through vi. All voted yes, motion carried.

Motion by Alderperson Pickerell, seconded by Alderperson Garcia to approve Ordinances to establish handicapped parking spaces for two years at 1716 Maple Street, 2453 Cleveland Blvd and 2924 Edwards Street.

ROLL CALL: Alderperson McDowell, Alderperson Pickerell, Alderperson Davis, Alderperson Eavenson, Alderperson Smith, Alderperson Harrington, Alderperson LeMaster, Alderperson Pierson and Alderperson Garcia. All voted yes, motion carried.

Alderperson Hawkins was absent.

FINAL PASSAGE: Alderperson McDowell, Alderperson Pickerell, Alderperson Davis, Alderperson Eavenson, Alderperson Smith, Alderperson Harrington, Alderperson LeMaster, Alderperson Pierson and Alderperson Garcia. All voted yes, motion carried.

Alderperson Hawkins was absent.

v. An Ordinance establishing one handicapped parking space for two years at 2453 Cleveland Boulevard within the city of Granite City

vi. An Ordinance establishing one handicapped parking space for two years at 2924 Edwards Street within the city of Granite City

F. Police Committee: Jerry Harrington, Chairperson

i. An Ordinance authorizing the Granite City School Resource Officer Coolidge Middle School Program Agreement for the 2024-2025 School Year

Motion by Alderperson Harrington, seconded by Alderperson LeMaster to approve an Ordinance authorizing the Granite City School Resource Officer Coolidge Middle School Program Agreement for the 2024-2025 School Year.

ROLL CALL: Alderperson McDowell, Alderperson Pickerell, Alderperson Davis, Alderperson Eavenson, Alderperson Smith, Alderperson Harrington, Alderperson LeMaster, Alderperson Pierson and Alderperson Garcia. All voted yes, motion carried.

Alderperson Hawkins was absent.

FINAL PASSAGE: Alderperson McDowell, Alderperson Pickerell, Alderperson Davis, Alderperson Eavenson, Alderperson Smith, Alderperson Harrington, Alderperson LeMaster, Alderperson Pierson and Alderperson Garcia. All voted yes, motion carried.

Alderperson Hawkins was absent.

ii. An Ordinance renewing the Granite City School Drug Education Program Agreement for the 2024-2025 School Year

Motion by Alderperson Harrington, seconded by Alderperson Garcia to approve an Ordinance renewing the Granite City School Drug Education Program Agreement for the 2024-2025 School Year.

ROLL CALL: Alderperson McDowell, Alderperson Pickerell, Alderperson Davis, Alderperson Eavenson, Alderperson Smith, Alderperson Harrington, Alderperson LeMaster, Alderperson Pierson and Alderperson Garcia. All voted yes, motion carried.

Alderperson Hawkins was absent.

FINAL PASSAGE: Alderperson McDowell, Alderperson Pickerell, Alderperson Davis, Alderperson Eavenson, Alderperson Smith, Alderperson Harrington, Alderperson LeMaster, Alderperson Pierson and Alderperson Garcia. All voted yes, motion carried.

Alderperson Hawkins was absent.

iii. An Ordinance authorizing the Granite City School Resource Officer High School Program Agreement for the 2024-2025 School Year

Motion by Alderperson Harrington, seconded by Alderperson Garcia to approve an Ordinance authorizing the Granite City School Resource Officer High School Program Agreement for the 2024-2025 School Year.

ROLL CALL: Alderperson McDowell, Alderperson Pickerell, Alderperson Davis, Alderperson Eavenson, Alderperson Smith, Alderperson Harrington, Alderperson LeMaster, Alderperson Pierson and Alderperson Garcia. All voted yes, motion carried.

Alderperson Hawkins was absent.

FINAL PASSAGE: Alderperson McDowell, Alderperson Pickerell, Alderperson Davis, Alderperson Eavenson, Alderperson Smith, Alderperson Harrington, Alderperson LeMaster, Alderperson Pierson and Alderperson Garcia. All voted yes, motion carried.

Alderperson Hawkins was absent.

iv. An Ordinance approving the School Resource Officer Program Agreement with Coordinated Youth & Human Services for the 2024-2025 School Year

Motion by Alderperson Harrington, seconded by Alderperson Davis to approve an Ordinance approving the School Resource Officer Program Agreement with Coordinated Youth & Human Services for the 2024-2025 School Year.

ROLL CALL: Alderperson McDowell, Alderperson Pickerell, Alderperson Davis, Alderperson Eavenson, Alderperson Smith, Alderperson Harrington, Alderperson LeMaster, Alderperson Pierson and Alderperson Garcia. All voted yes, motion carried.

Alderperson Hawkins was absent.

FINAL PASSAGE: Alderperson McDowell, Alderperson Pickerell, Alderperson Davis, Alderperson Eavenson, Alderperson Smith, Alderperson Harrington, Alderperson LeMaster, Alderperson Pierson and Alderperson Garcia. All voted yes, motion carried.

Alderperson Hawkins was absent.

G. Fire Committee: Randy LeMaster, Chairperson

i. Approval of the Fire Committee Meeting minutes from July 16, 2024

Motion by Alderperson LeMaster, seconded by Alderperson Smith to approve the Fire Committee Meeting minutes from July 16, 2024. All voted yes, motion carried.

ii. Granite City Fire Department EMS report for July 2024

Motion by Alderperson LeMaster, seconded by Alderperson Harrington to approve and place on file the Granite City Fire Department EMS report for July 2024. All voted yes, motion carried.

iii. Approval of promotions of Todd Propes to Shift Commander, Matthew Clark to Captain and Jonathan Hayes to Engineer.

Motion by Alderperson LeMaster, seconded by Alderperson Eavenson to approve the promotions of Todd Propes to Shift Commander, Matthew Clark to Captain and Jonathan Hayes to Engineer. All voted yes, motion carried.

H. Risk Management Committee: Kim Pierson, Chairperson

No Report

I. Economic Development Committee: Brad Eavenson, Chairperson

i. Approval of the Economic Development Committee Meeting minutes from July 16, 2024

Motion by Alderperson Eavenson, seconded by Alderperson LeMaster to approve the Economic Development Committee Meeting minutes from July 16, 2024. All voted yes, motion carried.

ii. A Resolution to approve a letter of engagement with PGAV Planners, LLC to design entryway signage for Granite City

Motion by Alderperson Eavenson, seconded by Alderperson Davis to approve a Resolution to approve a letter of engagement with PGAV Planners, LLC to design entryway signage for Granite City. All voted yes, motion carried.

iii. A Resolution to approve a letter of engagement with PGAV Planners, LLC to design a Downtown Master Plan

Motion by Alderperson Eavenson, seconded by Alderperson to approve a Resolution to approve a letter of engagement with PGAV Planners, LLC to design a Downtown Master Plan. All voted yes, motion carried.

J. Finance Committee: Jim Hawkins, Chairperson

i. Approval of the Finance Committee Meeting minutes from July 16, 2024

Motion by Alderperson Eavenson, seconded by Alderperson LeMaster to approve the Finance Committee Meeting minutes from July 16, 2024. All voted yes, motion carried.

ii. Payroll

Motion by Alderperson Eavenson, seconded by Alderperson Harrington to approve payroll for the period of 7/16/2024-7/30/2024 in the amount of \$700,950.92.

ROLL CALL: Alderperson McDowell, Alderperson Pickerell, Alderperson Davis, Alderperson Eavenson, Alderperson Smith, Alderperson Harrington, Alderperson LeMaster, Alderperson Pierson and Alderperson Garcia. All voted yes, motion carried.
Alderperson Hawkins was absent.

iii. Bill List

Motion by Alderperson Eavenson, seconded by Alderperson Davis to approve the bills payable in the amount of \$3,277,180.15.

ROLL CALL: Alderperson McDowell, Alderperson Pickerell, Alderperson Davis, Alderperson Eavenson, Alderperson Smith, Alderperson Harrington, Alderperson LeMaster, Alderperson Pierson and Alderperson Garcia. All voted yes, motion carried.
Alderperson Hawkins was absent.

7. Report of Officers

No Report

8. Unfinished Business

None

9. New Business

None

10. Adjournment

Motion by Alderperson Smith, seconded by Alderperson LeMaster to adjourn the meeting. All voted yes, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

Attest

Jenna DeYong, City Clerk