

**CITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES  
NOVEMBER 6, 2024**

**COMMITTEE MEETING**

**1. Planning & Zoning/Public Works: 5:35-5:50**

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

Aldersperson McDowell called the meeting to order.

Aldersperson McDowell deferred to Mayor Parkinson.

Mayor Parkinson introduced Jim Sheppard to the council to discuss his business plan for a Premiere Pool Hall/Café.

Mr. Sheppard shared his business plan with the council for "RAGTYME BILLIARDS & CAFE". The goal is to open for billiards in January 2025 with a Café to open in March 2025.

Aldersperson McDowell discussed the requirements for a Liquor/Gaming License. Mayor Parkinson stated as a bar he would meet the requirements for gaming, adding there is no vote needed from the council, stating the meeting is for transparency and informational purposes.

Director of Building & Zoning Greg Koberna presented the Round 4 Demolition bids stating the low bid was from SUPREME in the amount of \$169,400.

Motion by Aldersperson McDowell, seconded by Aldersperson Davis to award SUPREME the demolition bid in the amount of \$169,400. All voted yes, motion carried.

Motion by Aldersperson McDowell, seconded by Aldersperson Smith to approve a curb cut at 2304 Delmar Ave. All voted yes, motion carried.

Aldersperson McDowell deferred to City Attorney Derek Filcoff.

Attorney Filcoff advised the council of the need to pass an Ordinance to approve an amount to be held in bond and the inclusion of a reoccurring five-year review of the bond to be incorporated within the decommissioning plans related to the Solar Energy Farm Systems Projects known as Granite City Solar, LLC St. John Solar, LLC and Pontoon Beach Solar, LLC.

Mayor Parkinson stated the Solar Farms were approved under the prior Administration and the amount of funds that were required for decommissioning the panels was inadequate, and currently the panels have to be disposed of in a hazardous dump sight. Mayor Parkinson stated that by passing the proposed Ordinance it would ensure the citizens would not incur the cost of cleaning up a potential environmental sight.

Motion by Alderperson McDowell, seconded by Alderperson Eavenson to approve an Ordinance approving an amount to be held in bond and the inclusion of a reoccurring five-year review of the bond to be incorporated within the decommissioning plans related to the Solar Energy Farm Systems Projects known as Granite City Solar, LLC St. John Solar, LLC and Pontoon Beach Solar, LLC. All voted yes, motion carried.

Motion by Alderperson Pickerell, seconded by Alderperson Smith to establish a handicap parking space at 2528 Sheridan Ave for the period of four years. All voted yes, motion carried.

Alderperson Pickerell deferred to Grant Writer Paula Hubbard to address the council regarding ARPA funds. Hubbard advised that with the deadline to spend ARPA funds, the Council would see a large amount of spending Resolutions coming through the next meeting to include a 4 X4, a Dump Truck and a Semi Truck for the Public Works Department. Hubbard advised that there were State Bids for the vehicles and adding them to the fleet would save the City money for future projects. Hubbard thanked Foreman Todd Mitchell for his assistance in getting the State Bids.

Mayor Parkinson stated the Resolutions would be brought forward for a vote at the November 19, 2024, City Council Meeting.

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

Attest

Jenna DeYong, City Clerk

## **2. The District: 5:50-6:05**

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

Alderperson Davis called the meeting to order.

Alderperson Davis opened the floor to discussion of revised rental prices for The Mill Event Center. Prior rental fees for the VIP meeting area included the Banquet Room. Alderperson Davis felt the cost of renting just the VIP Meeting Area is too high. Mayor Parkinson stated if the VIP area is rented there is still a cost to the city for staff and operational costs. Alderperson Eavenson stated all rental fees should be set, voted on and enforced with no negotiation for all rentals. Alderperson McDowell suggested approving the revised prices and re-visiting in 6 months if the area was not being rented out.

Motion by Alderperson Davis, seconded by Alderperson McDowell to amend the Resolution to reflect the new rental rates as proposed. All voted yes, motion carried.

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

Attest

Jenna DeYong, City Clerk

### **3. Economic Development: 6:05-6:20**

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

Aldersperson Eavenson called the meeting to order.

Aldersperson Eavenson deferred to Economic Development Director Cathy Hamilton.

Director Hamilton opened the meeting showing the new promotional City videos.

Hamilton stated the next date for the Mayors Speaking Series would be Tuesday, February 25, 2025.

Director Hamilton advised that communication is a regional problem with the lack of a newspaper. She was seeking the Council's approval to move forward with a city-wide marketing plan to educate citizens, adding that the Mayor would reach out to the other taxing bodies.

Director Hamilton advised of two bids for a Design Build Contractor, PFUND Construction and S.M. WILSON. It was her recommendation that the city contract with PFUND Construction.

Mayor Parkinson stated PFUND Construction has a diverse design style that would be new and exciting for the city.

Aldersperson Smith questioned if the City would be responsible for finding investors. Hamilton stated that PFUND would partner with investors and do some of the builds on their own, adding they felt that the city owning the property for the builds was a huge plus.

Motion by Aldersperson McDowell, seconded by Aldersperson Davis to approve a Resolution to approve the qualifications of a Design Build Contractor in response to Request for Qualifications received by October 23, 2024. All voted yes, motion carried.

Motion by Aldersperson Eavenson, seconded by Aldersperson McDowell to amend an Ordinance to reflect the change ***to expend up to \$40,000 total to bid on the purchase parcels from the Madison County Tax Agent at or before December 2024 tax auction, and to conclude and close on said purchases from the Madison County Tax Agent/Madison County Trustee. All voted yes, motion carried.***

Motion by Aldersperson Eavenson, seconded by Aldersperson McDowell to adopt the Ordinance as amended to approve the purchase of properties at or before the December 2024 Madison County Tax Auction. All voted yes, motion carried.

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

Attest

Jenna DeYong, City Clerk

#### **4. Finance: 6:20-6:50**

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

Aldersperson Hawkins called the meeting to order.

Motion by Aldersperson Hawkins, seconded by Aldersperson Pierson to approve a Resolution to amend Resolution 2024-24, authorizing the purchase of software for Granite City, City Hall. All voted yes, motion carried.

Motion by Aldersperson McDowell, seconded by Aldersperson Pierson to approve a Resolution to schedule a Public Hearing concerning acceptance of credit card payments under the Local Government Acceptance of Credit Cards Act. All voted yes, motion carried.

Motion by Aldersperson Hawkins, seconded by Aldersperson Pierson to approve an Ordinance to authorize the transfer and application of interest money and to amend Ordinance No 10228. All voted yes, motion carried.

Motion by Aldersperson Hawkins, seconded by Aldersperson McDowell to approve an Ordinance to amend the Annual Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 10228 to authorize payment to the Department of Healthcare and Family Services and other expenditures. All voted yes, motion carried.

Item E will be tabled until the November 19, 2024, meeting date.

Aldersperson McDowell stated he is opposed to using an additional \$1,000,000 to fund the Splash Pad at Worthen Park. He suggested decreasing the Splash Pad in size and/or additional items.

Mayor Parkinson stated there is not much to cut, adding that it would serve the entire community and had been promised.

City Engineer Joe Juneau stated that looking at cuts would save approximately \$100,000.00 but would cost the Park District more in maintenance in the future.

Aldersperson Eavenson suggested a meeting with the School District and Park District to have an intergovernmental agreement to share the fields at the high school and reasonably cut items.

Aldersperson McDowell stated the Park District may not be able to afford maintenance costs after two years and would need more money from the city.

Aldersperson Pickerell questioned what the average maintenance cost would be. Juneau stated it would be roughly \$50,000 a year to maintain the facility. Mayor Parkinson stated the Park district is aware of the cost, adding that stating they would need more money is not an accurate statement.

Aldersperson LeMaster questioned if City Clerk Jenna DeYong could answer the question as a Park Board Commissioner. Clerk DeYong stated that, as a Park Commissioner, the Park District is aware of the cost and there have been no talks about eliminating the project.

Motion by Alderperson Hawkins, seconded by Alderperson LeMaster to approve a Resolution to approve a bid to contract a Splash Pad and make other improvements to Worthen Park. ROLL CALL: Hawkins-aye, McDowell-NO, LeMaster-aye, Eavenson-aye and Pierson-aye. The ayes have it, motion carried.

Finance Director Heather Hamilton gave a brief presentation on the Tax Levy FY 24/25.

Motion by Alderperson Hawkins, seconded by Alderperson LeMaster to authorize the Fire Department to put out a bid for an Ambulance Remount. All voted yes, motion carried.

Chief Richey advised the council of the need to order an additional Ambulance for 2027, and suggested the city start to charge for lift assistance.

Building & Zoning Administrator Greg Koberna advised there were two bids for the Granite City Fire Museum Project. He recommended Heartland with the lower bid of \$70,538.00.

Motion by Alderperson Hawkins, seconded by Alderperson Pierson to award the bid to Heartland Restoration in the amount of \$70,538. All voted yes, motion carried.

Motion by Alderperson Hawkins, seconded by Alderperson McDowell to adjourn the meeting. All voted yes, motion carried.

Attest

Jenna DeYong, City Clerk

## **TOWNSHIP MEETING**

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

Invocation was led by Daniel Klueskins.

### **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 Hawkins, Alderperson Pierson, Alderperson Garcia and City clerk Jenna DeYong were present.

### **3. Township Board Minutes - Approval of October 15, 2024, Township Board Meeting minutes**

Motion by Alderperson Hawkins, seconded by Alderperson Pierson to approve the Township Board Meeting minutes from October 15, 2024. All voted yes, motion carried.

### **4. Presentation of Communications**

None

### **5. Finance Committee: Jim Hawkins, Chairperson**

#### **A. Bill List - November 6, 2024**

Motion by Alderperson Hawkins, seconded by Alderperson LeMaster to approve the bills payable from the Town Fund in the amount of \$92,984.49.

**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 Hawkins, seconded by Alderperson LeMaster to approve the bills payable from the General Assistance Fund in the amount of \$17,645.53.

**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.

### **6. Unfinished Business**

None

### **7. New Business**

None

### **8. Adjournment**

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

Attest

Jenna DeYong, City Clerk

## **CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

Mayor Parkinson called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m.

### **1. Roll Call**

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

### **2. City Council Minutes - Approval of the City Council Meeting minutes from October 15, 2024**

Motion by Alderperson Harrington, seconded by Alderperson Pierson to approve the City Council Meeting Minutes from October 15, 2024. All voted yes, motion carried.

### **3. Presentation of Communications**

#### **A. Waterman Block Party**

Motion by Alderperson LeMaster, seconded by Alderperson Smith to approve road closures on Waterman for a block party on Saturday, November 9th, 2024. All voted yes, motion carried.

#### **B. Six Mile Regional Library Annual Winter Reindeer Party**

Motion by Alderperson Pierson, seconded by Alderperson Garcia to approve road closures for the Six Mile Regional Library Annual Winter Reindeer Party on Thursday, December 12, 2024. All voted yes, motion carried.

### **4. Mayor's Remarks**

#### **A. Introduction of Revity Credit Unions CEO**

Mayor Parkinson deferred to Keith Burton, retiring CEO of Revity Credit Union.

Mr. Burton advised the council of his upcoming retirement and introduced the new CEO, John Merritt. John Merritt introduced himself, stating he was looking forward to the opportunity to continue working with the Council and community.

### **5. Public Correspondence**

#### **A. Daniel Klueskins-Hometown Hero Banners**

Retired U.S. Army Sergeant First Class Daniel Klueskins of American Legion Post 307 advised that the Hometown Hero Program will continue with the American Legion taking charge and managing the application and ordering of banners. He stated he had personally contacted the family members of the banners that had been damaged by the weather, and most had shown interest in applying for new banners.

### **6. Report of Standing Committees:**

#### **A. Negotiations Committee: Greg Garcia, Chairperson**

##### **i. A Resolution to approve a Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Firefighter's Union**

Motion by Alderperson Garcia, seconded by Alderperson Hawkins to approve a Resolution approving the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Firefighter's union.

**ROLL CALL:** 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. The District Committee: Mary Davis, Chairperson**

### **i. The Mill Event Center Pricing**

Motion by Alderperson Davis, seconded by Alderperson Smith to amend the pricing for The Mill Event Center as discussed in Committee.

**ROLL CALL:** 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.

## **C. Planning & Zoning Committee: Dan McDowell, Chairperson**

### **i. Approval of the Planning & Zoning Committee Meeting minutes from October 15, 2024**

Motion by Alderperson McDowell, seconded by Alderperson LeMaster to approve the Planning & Zoning Committee Meeting minutes from October 15, 2024. All voted yes, motion carried.

### **ii. Curb Cut 2304 Delmar**

Motion by Alderperson McDowell, seconded by Alderperson Eavenson to approve a curb cut at 2304 Delmar. All voted yes, motion carried.

### **iii. Round 4 DEMO Bid**

Motion by Alderperson McDowell, seconded by Alderperson LeMaster to award SUPREME the Bid for the demolition of fifteen structures at a total cost of \$169,400.00.

**ROLL CALL:** 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.

### **iv. A Resolution to authorize the demolition of six structures using funds from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021**

Motion by Alderperson McDowell, seconded by Alderperson Davis to approve a Resolution to authorize the demolition of six structures using funds from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021.

**ROLL CALL:** 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.

### **v. A Resolution providing for the demolition or repair of a dangerous and unsafe building at 2533 Iowa St**

Motion by Alderperson McDowell, seconded by Alderperson Harrington to approve a Resolution providing for the demolition or repair of a dangerous and unsafe building at 2533 Iowa St.

**ROLL CALL:** 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.

### **vi. An Ordinance approving an amount to be held in bond and the inclusion of a reoccurring five-year review of the bond to be incorporated within the decommissioning plans related to the Solar Energy Farm Systems Projects known as Granite City Solar, LLC St. John Solar, LLC and Pontoon Beach Solar, LLC.**

Motion by Alderperson McDowell, seconded by Alderperson Eavenson to approve an Ordinance approving an amount to be held in bond and the inclusion of a reoccurring five-year review of the bond to be incorporated within the decommissioning plans related to the Solar Energy Farm Systems Projects known as Granite City Solar, LLC, St John Solar, LLC and Pontoon Beach Solar, LLC.

**ROLL CALL:** 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.



**FINAL PASSAGE:** 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.

Mayor Parkinson stated the Ordinance will assure that 30 years from now, the taxpayers of Granite City will not be left with the cost of decommissioning of Solar Farms.

**D. Legal & Legislative Committee: Jason Smith, Chairperson**

**i. Approval of the Legal & Legislative Committee Meeting minutes from October 21, 2024**

Motion by Alderperson Smith, seconded by Alderperson LeMaster to approve the Legal & Legislative Committee Meeting minutes from October 21, 2024. All voted yes, motion carried.

**E. Public Works Committee: Bob Pickerell, Chairperson**

**i. Approval of the Granite City Tree Advisory Board Agenda for November 14, 2024**

Motion by Alderperson Pickerell, seconded by Alderperson Garcia to approve the Granite City Tree Advisory Board Agenda for November 14, 2024. All voted yes, motion carried.

**F. Police Committee: Jerry Harrington, Chairperson**

**i. September 2024 Chief's STATS**

Motion by Alderperson Harrington, seconded by Alderperson Garcia to approve the Chief STATS for September 2024. All voted yes, motion carried.

**G. Fire Committee: Randy LeMaster, Chairperson**

**i. Approval of the Fire Committee Meeting minutes from October 15, 2024**

Motion by Alderperson LeMaster, seconded by Alderperson Smith to approve the Fire Committee Meeting minutes from October 15, 2024. All voted yes, motion carried.

**H. Risk Management Committee: Kim Pierson, Chairperson**

**i. Approval of the Risk Management Committee Meeting minutes from October 15, 2024**

Motion by Alderperson Pierson, seconded by Alderperson Garcia to approve the Risk Management Committee Meeting minutes from October 15, 2024. All voted yes, motion carried.

**I. Economic Development Committee: Brad Eavenson, Chairperson**

**i. A Resolution to approve the qualifications of a design build contractor per responses to Request for Qualification received by October 23, 2024**

Motion by Alderperson Eavenson, seconded by Alderperson McDowell to approve a Resolution to approve the qualifications of a design build contractor per response to Request for Qualifications received by October 23, 2024.

**ROLL CALL:** 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.

**ii. An Ordinance to approve the purchase of properties at or before the December 2024 Madison County Tax Auction**

Motion by Alderperson Eavenson, seconded by Alderperson McDowell to amend the Ordinance to reflect the change in the authorized amount to expend from 25,000 to 40,000.

**ROLL CALL:** 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 to approve an Ordinance to approve the purchase of properties at or before the December 2024 Madison County Tax Auction.

**ROLL CALL:** 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.

**FINAL PASSAGE:** 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.

#### **J. Finance Committee: Jim Hawkins, Chairperson**

##### **i. Approval of the Finance Committee Meeting minutes from October 15, 2024**

Motion by Alderperson Hawkins, seconded by Alderperson Harrington to approve the Finance Committee Meeting minutes from October 15, 2024. All voted yes, motion carried.

##### **ii. A Resolution to amend Resolution 2024-24, authorizing the purchase of software for Granite City, City Hall**

Motion by Alderperson Hawkins, seconded by Alderperson Harrington to approve a Resolution to amend Resolution 2024-24, authorizing the purchase of software for the Granite City, City Hall.

**ROLL CALL:** 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.

##### **iii. A Resolution to schedule a Public Hearing concerning acceptance of credit card payments under the Local Government Acceptance of Credit Cards Act**

Motion by Alderperson Hawkins, seconded by Alderperson McDowell to approve a Resolution to schedule a Public Hearing concerning acceptance of credit card payments under the Local Government Acceptance of Credit Cards Act.

**ROLL CALL:** 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.

##### **iv. A Resolution to approve bid for Worthen Park Splash Pad Improvement Project**

Motion by Alderperson Hawkins, seconded by Alderperson Harrington to approve a Resolution to approve a bid for Worthen Park Splash Pad Improvement Project.

**ROLL CALL:** Alderperson McDowell-NO, Alderperson Pickerell-aye, Alderperson Davis-aye, Alderperson Eavenson-aye, Alderperson Smith-aye, Alderperson Harrington-aye, Alderperson LeMaster-aye, Alderperson Hawkins-aye, Alderperson Pierson-aye and Alderperson Garcia-aye. The ayes have it, motion carried.

**FINAL PASSAGE:** Alderperson McDowell-NO, Alderperson Pickerell-aye, Alderperson Davis-aye, Alderperson Eavenson-aye, Alderperson Smith-aye, Alderperson Harrington-aye, Alderperson LeMaster-aye, Alderperson Hawkins-aye, Alderperson Pierson-aye and Alderperson Garcia-aye. The ayes have it, motion carried.

##### **v. An Ordinance to amend the annual Budget Ordinance, Ordinance No 10228 to authorize payment to the Department of Healthcare and Family Services and other expenditures**

Motion by Alderperson Hawkins, seconded by Alderperson Harrington to approve an Ordinance to amend the annual Budget Ordinance, Ordinance No 10228 to authorize payment to the Department of Healthcare and Family Services and other expenditures.

**ROLL CALL:** Alderperson McDowell-NO, Alderperson Pickerell-aye, Alderperson Davis-aye, Alderperson Eavenson-aye, Alderperson Smith-aye, Alderperson Harrington-aye, Alderperson LeMaster-aye, Alderperson Hawkins-aye, Alderperson Pierson-aye and Alderperson Garcia-aye. The

ayes have it, motion carried.

**FINAL PASSAGE:** Alderperson McDowell-NO, Alderperson Pickerell-aye, Alderperson Davis-aye, Alderperson Eavenson-aye, Alderperson Smith-aye, Alderperson Harrington-aye, Alderperson LeMaster-aye, Alderperson Hawkins-aye, Alderperson Pierson-aye and Alderperson Garcia-aye. The ayes have it, motion carried.

**vi. An Ordinance to authorize the transfer and application of interest money and to amend Ordinance No 10228**

Motion by Alderperson Hawkins, seconded by Alderperson LeMaster to approve an Ordinance authorizing the transfer and application of interest money and to amend Ordinance 10228.

**ROLL CALL:** Alderperson McDowell-NO, Alderperson Pickerell-aye, Alderperson Davis-aye, Alderperson Eavenson-aye, Alderperson Smith-aye, Alderperson Harrington-aye, Alderperson LeMaster-aye, Alderperson Hawkins-aye, Alderperson Pierson-aye and Alderperson Garcia-aye. The ayes have it, motion carried.

**FINAL PASSAGE:** Alderperson McDowell-NO, Alderperson Pickerell-aye, Alderperson Davis-aye, Alderperson Eavenson-aye, Alderperson Smith-aye, Alderperson Harrington-aye, Alderperson LeMaster-aye, Alderperson Hawkins-aye, Alderperson Pierson-aye and Alderperson Garcia-aye. The ayes have it, motion carried.

**vii. An Ordinance to amend budget Ordinance No 10228 and authorize the purchase of three command vehicles for the Fire Department using funds from the American Rescue Plan Act**

Tabled until November 19, 2024, City Council Meeting.

**viii. Granite City Fire Museum Bid Award**

Motion by Alderperson Hawkins, seconded by Alderperson Garcia to award the bid for the Granite City Fire Museum to Heartland Restoration in the amount of \$70,538.

**ROLL CALL:** 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.

**ix. Granite City Fire Pension**

Alderperson Hawkins read a letter of thanks from the Fire Pension Board President, Thomas O'Neil, to Mayor Parkinson and the City Council for their bold steps to create transparency and create a plan to fund the State-mandated requirements for the Fire and Police Pension Funds.

Alderperson McDowell stated he was opposed to the letter being placed on file. He stated he was part of the past administration that the letter referred to and stated there were many reasons the pensions were underfunded.

Mayor Parkinson and Alderperson LeMaster both understood and appreciated Alderperson McDowell's opposition.

Motion by Alderperson Hawkins, seconded by Alderperson Eaveson to place on file with notation of remarks. All voted yes, motion carried.

**x. Payroll**

Motion by Alderperson Hawkins, seconded by Alderperson Harrington to approve payroll for the time period of 10/16/2024-10/30/2024 in the amount of \$724,206.02.

**ROLL CALL:** 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.

**xi. Bill List**

Motion by Alderperson Hawkins, seconded by Alderperson LeMaster to approve the bills payable for the month of October 2024 in the amount of \$4,096,973.96.

**ROLL CALL:** 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.

**xii. Supplemental Bill List**

Motion by Alderperson Hawkins, seconded by Alderperson Harrington to approve the Supplemental Bill List in the amount of \$21,191.16.

**ROLL CALL:** 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.

**7. Report of Officers**

No Report

**8. Unfinished Business**

None

**9. New Business**

Mayor Parkinson announced that the city is partnering with SIUE (Southern Illinois University of Edwardsville) to hold a Small Business Seminar on November 13, 2024, at The Mill Event Center.

**10. Adjournment**

Motion by Alderperson Hawkins, seconded by Alderperson Garcia to adjourn the meeting. All voted yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

Attest

Jenna DeYong, City Clerk