

**City of Fairbury
City Council Minutes – January 6, 2016
6:30 p.m. - Fairbury City Hall**

Call to order – Mayor Lynn Dameron called the meeting to order.

Roll Call of Council Members - Present: Gary Norris, Nancy Gerdes-Hibschi, Charles Hoselton, Jon Kinate, Bruce Weber, Jerry Hoffman and David Slagel. Terry Zimmerman was absent.

Pledge of Allegiance

Review/Action to approve the Minutes of December 16, 2015 Council Meeting - Motion by Kinate, second by Slagel.

Motion carried 7-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibschi Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel

Review/Action Approval of the Board Report - Motion by Kinate, second by Hoffman.

Motion carried 7-0. YES- Norris Gerdes-Hibschi Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel

Public Comment –

- Wayne Kurth addressed the council regarding a recent flood event at his home
- Rita Clark addressed the council regarding a recent flood event at her home
- Marilyn Moore addressed the council regarding a recent flood event at her home
- Judy Englebrecht addressed the council regarding a recent flood event at her home

Reports of Departments

Street - Martin Steidinger, Superintendent – no report

Sewer - Frank McPherson, Superintendent – no report

Water - Duane Ifft, Water Superintendent – no report

Police - Mike Frickey, Chief – absent

City/Fire - Leroy McPherson, Superintendent/Chief – no report

Legal - Paul Mason – City Attorney - absent

Reports of Aldermen

Alderman Gary Norris – no report

Alderman Nancy Gerdes-Hibschi – no report

Alderman Charles Hoselton – no report

Alderman Jon Kinate – no report

Alderman Bruce Weber – no report

Alderman Jerry Hoffman – no report

Alderman David Slagel – no report

Alderman Terry Zimmerman – absent

Old Business –

No old business

New Business –

Discussion/Action to consider monthly billing for utility bills - tabled

FYI – IML Review article of municipal funding - shared

FYI – Sewer funding - shared

FYI – Mediacom rate increases - shared

Discussion/Action to approve sidewalk requests - none

Discussion Overtime Report - shared

Public Comment – Audience member David Netter questioned the Mayor about Chief of Police Frickey’s leave. Netter was unclear as to whether Frickey was being placed on administrative or medical leave. The Mayor made it clear Frickey is taking a medical leave.

Other New Business –

Executive Session Personnel – Section 2 (c)(1) – Employee hiring, firing, compensation, discipline and performance –

Motion by: Kinate @ 7:16 p.m. Second: Slagel

Motion by to enter Open Session: Slagel @ 7:27 p.m. Second: Weber

Action from Executive Session – Motion by Slagel, second by Weber to approve placing Chief of Police Michael P. Frickey on medical leave effective immediately.

Motion by Hoselton, second by Kinate to appoint Mr. RT Finney as the Interim Chief of Police while Chief Frickey is on medical leave.

Adjournment – Motion by Slagel, second by Kinate to adjourn at 7:35 p.m.

Nancy Widlacki, City Clerk

**City of Fairbury
City Council Minutes – January 20, 2016
6:30 p.m. - Fairbury City Hall**

Call to order – Mayor Lynn Dameron called the meeting to order.

Roll Call of Council Members - Present: Gary Norris, Nancy Gerdes-Hibschi, Charles Hoselton, Jon Kinate, Bruce Weber, Jerry Hoffman, David Slagel and Terry Zimmerman

Pledge of Allegiance

Review/Action to approve the Minutes of January 6, 2016 Council Meeting - Motion by Kinate, second by Slagel.

Motion carried 8-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibschi Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Review/Action approval of the Board Report listing the bills – Motion by Zimmerman, second by Weber.

Motion carried 8-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibschi Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Review/Action to approve the Treasurer’s Cash Report for December, 2015 – Motion by Kinate, second by Slagel.

Motion carried 8-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibschi Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Review/Action to approve the Check Register for December, 2015 – Motion by Kinate, second by Hoffman.

Motion carried 8-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibschi Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Public Comment –

None

Reports of Departments –

Street – Martin Steidinger, Superintendent – no report

Sewer – Frank McPherson, Superintendent – no report

Water – Duane Ifft, Superintendent – absent

Police – RT Finney, Interim Chief – shared statistics

City/Fire – Leroy McPherson, Superintendent/Chief – no report

Legal – Paul Mason, City Attorney – no report

Reports of Aldermen –

Alderman Gary Norris – no report

Alderman Nancy Gerdes-Hibschi – no report

Alderman Charlie Hoselton – no report

Alderman Jon Kinate – addressed Timber Ridge sewer issue

Alderman Bruce Weber – no report

Alderman Jerry Hoffman – no report

Alderman David Slagel – no report

Alderman Terry Zimmerman – addressed the Discover Central Illinois Media Guide advertising promotion

Old Business

Discussion/Action to consider monthly utility billing - tabled

New Business –

Discussion/Action to consider the appointment of Gerry Vance to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a 5-year term – Motion by Weber, second by Kinate to re-appoint Gerry Vance to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Motion carried 8-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Discussion/Action to approve the revolving loan application from John Strong –

Motion by Slagel, second by Weber to approve the application.

Motion carried 8-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Discussion/Action to consider a request from Brad Steidinger and Steidinger Meats to install a handicapped ramp at Steidinger Meats, 226 E Locust Street – Motion by Weber, second by Norris to approve the handicapped ramp request.

Motion carried 8-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Discussion/Action to approve the resolution to abate the levy for 2015 for bonds issued under ordinance 2012-3 – Motion by Slagel, second by Zimmerman to approve Resolution 2016-1-20A to abate the 2015 levy in the amount of \$38,100.00.

Motion carried 8-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Discussion/Action to approve the resolution to abate the levy for 2015 for bonds issued under ordinance 2008-10 – Motion by Slagel, second by Hoffman to approved Resolution 2016-1-20B to abate the 2015 levy in the amount of \$25,587.50.

Motion carried 8-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Discussion/Action to consider a full page color ad, in the amount of \$1,800, for publication in the Discover Central Illinois Media Guide – Motion by Weber, second by Slagel to approve the purchase of the full page color ad.

Motion carried 8-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

FYI – Correspondence from Lorna Geiler - shared

FYI – Adverse Opinion on the Aggregate Discretely Presented Component Unit – City of Fairbury 2015 Annual Audit - shared

Discussion/Action to approve sidewalk requests - none

Discussion Overtime Report - shared

Public Comment -

- ◆ Doug Aaron addressed the council regarding Fairbury’s sister city, Fairbury, Nebraska. The layout of Fairbury, NE mirrors the layout of Fairbury, IL. Aaron detailed the history of Fairbury, NE. Members of Fairbury, NE are planning a bus trip to Fairbury, IL in the summer of 2016.
- ◆ A gentleman from the audience was given the floor to speak however, he identified himself as an “anonymous” voter from ward 1 which violates the following code that states: Chapter 2, .07 Rules of Order, (c) Conduct at Public Meetings, 5. When an interested party is recognized by the presiding officer for the purpose of speaking publicly, the party shall speak only from the location designated by the presiding officer and shall use the microphone if one is provided. No comments shall be permitted from the floor of the chambers or meeting room. The speaker shall first state his or her name. Therefore, David Netter addressed the council regarding an arrest by officers of the Fairbury Police Department. Mr. Netter’s opinion is that he wants the officers publicly recognized.
- ◆ Terri McCormick addressed the council regarding the need for a K9 officer. She stated that it has been more than a year since this was last discussed and wants to know why the council hasn’t acted on this item yet.

Mayor Dameron’s practice is to afford any member of the audience an opportunity to address the council however, it should be noted that David Netter and Terri McCormick also violated Chapter 2, .07 Rules of Order (c), 2: Any interested person wishing to speak at any public meeting shall register, in writing, prior to the beginning of the meeting and, 3: Comments shall be limited to the topics listed on the agenda as consent agenda, old business or new business.

Other New Business –

None

Adjournment – Motion by Slagel, second by Kinate @ 7:15 pm.

Nancy Widlacki, City Clerk

**City of Fairbury
City Council Minutes – February 3, 2016
6:30 p.m. - Fairbury City Hall**

Call to order – Mayor Lynn Dameron called the meeting to order.

Roll Call of Council Members - Present: Gary Norris, Nancy Gerdes-Hibschi, Charles Hoselton, Jon Kinate, Bruce Weber, David Slagel and Terry Zimmerman. Jerry Hoffman was absent

Pledge of Allegiance

Review/Action to approve the Minutes of January 20, 2016 Council Meeting - Motion by Kinate, second by Gerdes-Hibschi.

Motion carried 7-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibschi Hoselton Kinate Weber Slagel Zimmerman

Review/Action approval of the Board Report listing the bills – Motion by Kinate, second by Gerdes-Hibschi.

Motion carried 7-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibschi Hoselton Kinate Weber Slagel Zimmerman

Public Comment –

- Randy Yedinak, candidate for Livingston County State’s Attorney, addressed the council regarding his run for election by providing an overview of his personal character, belief system, employment experience, jury trial experience, and his passion for making Livingston County a better, safer place.
- Terry McCormick addressed the council about her opinion for the need of a K-9 unit.

Reports of Departments -

Street – Martin Steidinger, Superintendent – reported that Clayton Bracken has retired from the Street Department and thanked him for 27 years of dedicated service.

Sewer – Frank McPherson, Superintendent – no report

Water – Duane Ifft, Superintendent – no report

Police – RT Finney, Interim Chief – shared statistics

City/Fire – Leroy McPherson, Superintendent/Chief – shared photos of a downtown building that is in a major state of disrepair.

Legal – Paul Mason, City Attorney – no report

Reports of Aldermen –

Alderman Gary Norris – no report

Alderman Nancy Gerdes-Hibschi – no report

Alderman Charlie Hoselton – no report

Alderman Jon Kinate – no report

Alderman Bruce Weber – no report

Alderman Jerry Hoffman – absent

Alderman David Slagel – no report

Alderman Terry Zimmerman – shared the Discover Central Illinois Media Guide advertisement; also asked about the garden boxes.

Old Business

Discussion/Action to consider monthly utility billing - tabled

New Business –

Discussion/Action to consider bids for step assembly for the water department truck – Motion by Slagel, second by Weber to approve the bid from Addis Auto Parts to purchase the stainless steel step assembly. Motion carried 7-0. Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Slagel Zimmerman

Discussion/Action to consider the appointment of Janice L Ziegenhorn as an Authorized Agent for the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund – Motion by Weber, second by Norris to approve the appointment of Janice L Ziegenhorn. Motion carried 7-0. Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Slagel Zimmerman

Discussion/Action to consider a hotel feasibility study - shared

FYI – SELCAS annual meeting - shared

Discussion/Action to approve Janice Ziegenhorn as an authorized signer on the CDAP Loan account at Bluestem Bank – Motion by Weber, second by Slagel to approve Janice Ziegenhorn. Motion carried 7-0. Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Slagel Zimmerman

Discussion/Action to consider the 2016 Fairbury Fair and Speedway Sponsorship - tabled

Discussion/Action to approve sidewalk requests - none

Discussion Overtime Report - shared

Public Comment –

- David Netter piggy-backed to the earlier comments made by Terry McCormick
- Kelly Kinate, Fairbury Precinct Committeeman, praised several City departments for outstanding work and services provided to the citizens of the City of Fairbury

Other New Business –

Executive Session Personnel – Section 2 (c)(1) – Employee hiring, firing, compensation, discipline and performance –

Collective Bargaining – Section 2(c)(2) – Collective negotiating matters and deliberations concerning salary schedules -

Motion by: Kinate @ 7:06 p.m. Second: Gerdes-Hibsch

Motion by to enter Open Session: Slagel @ 7:39 p.m. Second: Zimmerman

Action from Executive Session - none

Adjournment – Motion by Slagel, second by Kinate @ 7:39 p.m.

Nancy Widlacki, City Clerk

**City of Fairbury
City Council Minutes – February 17, 2016
6:30 p.m. - Fairbury City Hall**

Call to order – Mayor Lynn Dameron called the meeting to order.

Roll Call of Council Members - Present: Gary Norris, Nancy Gerdes-Hibschi, Charles Hoselton, Jon Kinate, Bruce Weber, Jerry Hoffman and David Slagel. Terry Zimmerman was absent.

Mayor Dameron welcomed the scouts that were in attendance.

Pledge of Allegiance

Review/Action to approve the Minutes of February 3, 2016 Council Meeting - Motion by Slagel, second by Norris.

Motion carried 7-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibschi Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel

Review/Action approval of the Board Report listing the bills – Motion by Kinate, second by Gerdes-Hibschi.

Motion carried 7-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibschi Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel

Review/Action to approve the Treasurer’s Cash Report for January, 2016 – Motion by Kinate, second by Hoffman.

Motion carried 7-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibschi Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel

Review/Action to approve the Check Register for January, 2016 - tabled

Public Comment –

- Donna Varner expressed her pro-tree opinion in the downtown area. The benefits trees provide include shade in the summer, clean the air, add beauty to towns, tourists love trees and trees provide shelter from rainfall.

Reports of Departments -

Street – Martin Steidinger, Superintendent – no report

Sewer – Frank McPherson, Superintendent – no report

Water – Duane Ifft, Superintendent – absent

Police – RT Finney, Interim Chief – absent – report provided in council packet

City/Fire – Leroy McPherson, Superintendent/Chief – no report

Legal – Paul Mason, City Attorney – no report

Reports of Aldermen –

Alderman Gary Norris – no report

Alderman Nancy Gerdes-Hibschi – no report

Alderman Charlie Hoselton – no report

Alderman Jon Kinate – requested a follow-up from the letters sent to homeowners in Timber Ridge

Alderman Bruce Weber – no report

Alderman Jerry Hoffman – no report

Alderman David Slagel – no report

Alderman Terry Zimmerman – absent

Old Business

Discussion/Action to consider a donation to the Fairbury Fair and Speedway – Motion by Weber, second by Kinate to approve a \$1,000 donation to the Fairbury Fair. Donation to be paid from gaming monies. Motion carried 6-1.
YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman NO-Slagel

Discussion/Action to consider a hotel feasibility study – Motion by Weber, second by Slagel to approve a hotel feasibility study not to exceed \$8,000. Motion carried 7-0.
YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel

New Business –

Discussion/Action to consider going out for bids for a dump truck and salt spreader – No action but approval was given to go out for bids

Discussion/Action about the Langstaff downtown building - tabled

Discussion/Action to consider a donation request from Prairie Central After-Prom – Motion by Weber, second by Hoffman to approve a \$150 donation to be paid from gaming monies. Motion carried 6-1. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman NO-Slagel

Discussion/Action to consider the property on W. Calhoun Street – No action taken however, Attorney Mason was instructed to direct a letter to the property owner. The property is on W. Walnut Street and not W. Calhoun Street.

FYI – discussion of dates for contract negotiations - shared

FYI – update from the State of Illinois Comptroller, Leslie Geissler Munger - shared

Discussion/Action to approve sidewalk requests - none

Discussion Overtime Report - shared

Public Comment - none

Other New Business –

Executive Session Personnel – Section 2 (c)(1) – Employee hiring, firing, compensation, discipline and performance –

Motion by: Weber @ 7:11 pm Second: Gerdes-Hibsch

Motion by to enter Open Session: Slagel @ 7:28 pm Second: Norris

Action from Executive Session - none

Adjournment – Motion by Slagel, second by Kinate to adjourn at 7:28 pm.

Nancy Widlacki, City Clerk

**City of Fairbury
City Council Minutes — March 2, 2016
6:30 p.m. - Fairbury City Hall**

Call to order — Mayor Lynn Dameron called the meeting to order.

Roll Call of Council Members - Present: Gary Norris, Nancy Gerdes-Hibsch, Charles Hoselton, Jon Kinate, Jerry Hoffman and David Slagel. Bruce Weber and Terry Zimmerman were absent.

Pledge of Allegiance

Review/Action to approve the Minutes of February 17, 2016 Council Meeting -Motion by Kinate, second by Hoffman. Motion carried 6-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Hoffman Slagel

Review/Action approval of the Board Report listing the bills — Motion by Hoffman, second by Norris. Motion carried 6-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Hoffman Slagel

Public Comment —

- Keri Jo Schmidt, candidate for Livingston County Coroner, introduced herself and spoke about her long desire to someday become Coroner. Her accolades include 21 years as a nurse in the emergency room and as a hospice nurse, which was her favorite role. She also has been a paramedic. She lost her son, Casey Kohlmeier, a Pontiac Police Officer, on October 30, 2013 when he was struck by a drunk driver. She is very active in fundraising for 2 foundations she formed, MADD, Boys and Girls Clubs and others. She was invited to speak at Jesse White's Secretary of State Candlelight Vigil which honors victims of drunk driving. Her passion is hospice nursing and her hope is to be elected Coroner where she can teach and share about her life experiences with young people.
- Paul Coleman, a disabled resident of ward 3, addressed the council regarding an unfortunate incident involving a permitted solicitor that knocked on his door during a nap. Paul felt threatened by the intensity of the knock and because of his disability he was very concerned for his safety. He thanked God and Jesus Christ that he knew enough to stand back and remain cool and defend his home. Paul describes the situation as one that went on and on, the solicitor wouldn't leave, and he enticed Paul. He went on to say that he has worked with Nancy (Widlacki, the City Clerk) for a year. He called Nancy 3xs about excavator trucks being in town. He called her and wanted her to put on the City's Facebook page when solicitors are in town but it never happened. He accused Nancy of not telling the truth and he has hired his attorney. In this day of age, the City needs to keep track of who is coming into town. Perhaps frisk them, get IDs, etc. If he would have made one wrong move, he would be in jail. Mayor Dameron said after Paul informed him of the situation, he spoke with Interim Chief of Police RT Finney and Nancy. Paul says Nancy is not telling the truth. Chief Finney said he failed to tell Nancy there were solicitors in town. Coleman accused the Clerk of being a racist and audience member Marsha Taylor agreed with Coleman. Mayor Dameron tried to explain that Coleman was the second person to call City Hall that day complaining that a black man was in town however, Coleman shut down Dameron. Coleman said Widlacki sent him a message that she is disgraced to be paid with racist people's money and he will see Widlacki in court. Coleman does not feel safe in this town. Coleman has experienced emotional distress and was befuddled. Dameron apologized that the situation happened. Coleman asked for Dameron's and Widlacki's resignations. He stated Dameron and Widlacki's names are listed in a federal indictment but his is not.

Reports of Departments -

Street — Martin Steidinger, Superintendent — absent

Sewer — Frank McPherson, Superintendent — absent

Water — Duane Ifft, Superintendent — no report

Police — RT Finney, Interim Chief — shared report provided in council packet

City/Fire — Leroy McPherson, Superintendent/Chief — scheduled a Water & Sewer and Finance Committee meeting for Wednesday, March 9, 2016 @ 6 pm

Legal — Paul Mason, City Attorney — no report

Reports of Aldermen —

Alderman Gary Norris — no report

Alderman Nancy Gerdes-Hibsich — no report

Alderman Charlie Hoselton — no report

Alderman Jon Kinate — no report

Alderman Bruce Weber — absent

Alderman Jerry Hoffman — no report

Alderman David Slagel — no report

Alderman Terry Zimmerman — absent

Old Business

Discussion/Action to approve the January, 2016 Check Register - Motion by Hoffman, second by Slagel. Motion carried 6-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsich Hoselton Kinate Hoffman Slagel

Discussion/Action to consider the Langstaff building - tabled

New Business —

Discussion/Action to consider the a request from Sewer Department employee Brad Duncan, to attend the 81st Annual Conference of the IL Association of Water Pollution Control Operators in Springfield, IL April 18-20, 2016 in the amount of \$190 — Motion by Kinate, second by Hoffman to approve the request. Motion carried 6-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsich Hoselton Kinate Hoffman Slagel

Discussion/Action to consider making pool passes single pass only for \$100 and increase daily swim rate to \$5/day - tabled

Discussion/Action to consider a new auditor - tabled

FYI — Discussion committee appointments - tabled

Discussion/Action to approve sidewalk requests - [none](#)

Discussion Overtime Report - [shared](#)

Public Comment - [none](#)

Adjournment — [Motion by Hoselton, second by Norris to adjourn at 7:01 p.m.](#)

Nancy Widlacki, City Clerk

**City of Fairbury
City Council Minutes – March 16, 2016
6:30 p.m. - Fairbury City Hall**

Call to order – Mayor Lynn Dameron called the meeting to order.

Roll Call of Council Members - Present: Gary Norris, Nancy Gerdes-Hibsch, Charles Hoselton, Jon Kinate, Bruce Weber, Jerry Hoffman, David Slagel and Terry Zimmerman.

Pledge of Allegiance

Review/Action to approve the Minutes of March 2, 2016 Council Meeting - Motion by Kinate, second by Slagel. Alderman Slagel stated he received a complaint from public commenter Paul Coleman. Coleman felt the minutes detailing his public comment were incorrectly written. Slagel reviewed the minutes and came to the conclusion that the minutes described exactly what happened, therefore, Slagel seconded the motion to approve. Motion carried 8-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Review/Action approval of the Board Report listing the bills – Motion by Kinate, second by Gerdes-Hibsch. Motion carried 8-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Review/Action to approve the February 2016 Check Register – Motion by Kinate, second by Hoffman. Motion carried 8-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Review/Action to approve the February 2016 Treasurer’s Cash Report – Motion by Slagel, second by Norris. Motion carried 8-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Public Comment - None

Reports of Departments -

Street – Martin Steidinger, Superintendent – asked for a Streets Committee meeting be scheduled to consider employment applications received for his department; meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, April 6th at 6 pm

Sewer – Frank McPherson, Superintendent – no report

Water – Duane Ifft, Superintendent – no report

Police – RT Finney, Interim Chief – absent; report provided in council packet

City/Fire – Leroy McPherson, Superintendent/Chief – reported the City would like to improve the water main that has been appropriated for on 6th Street from Locust to Hickory and over to 7th Street. Permission was given to proceed. Also asked that a Finance Committee meeting be scheduled to consider employee compensation and utility billing; meeting was set for Tuesday, April 5th at 6 pm.

Legal – Paul Mason, City Attorney – no report

Reports of Aldermen –

Alderman Gary Norris – presented correspondence from Wayne Varner who is concerned about the City's current ordinance regarding solicitors.

Alderman Nancy Gerdes-Hibschi – no report

Alderman Charlie Hoselton – no report

Alderman Jon Kinate – no report

Alderman Bruce Weber – no report

Alderman Jerry Hoffman – no report

Alderman David Slagel – no report

Alderman Terry Zimmerman – no report

Other Old Business –

Discussion/Action to consider the Langstaff building - tabled

Discussion/Action to approve a new auditor – Motion by Kinate, second by Weber to approve Sulaski & Webb as the new auditing firm for the City's municipal audit. Motion carried 8-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibschi Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

New Business –

Discussion/Action to consider a new lease between the Boys & Girls Club of Prairie Central and the City of Fairbury – Motion by Slagel, second by Weber to approve a new lease. Motion carried 8-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibschi Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Discussion/Action to consider a proposal in the amount of \$15,000 from MasterLinx to replace LOCIS utility billing to coincide with the change to monthly billing – Motion by Hoffman, second by Norris to approve the proposal from MasterLinx in the amount of \$15,000. Motion carried 8-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibschi Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Discussion/Action to consider Resolution 2016-3-16 appointing John Gavin to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a 5-year term – Motion by Kinate, second by Weber to approve the appointment of John Gavin to the ZBA. Motion carried 7-1. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibschi Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Zimmerman HERE-Slagel

Discussion/Action to consider an offer of volunteer work from Christopher Valleroy and the Iron Rockets Motorcycle Club - shared

Discussion/Action to consider the purchase of a computer from Route 24 Computers in the amount of \$1,154 for the Police Department evidence room – Motion by Kinate,

second by Zimmerman to approve the purchase of a computer from Route 24 Computers in the amount of \$1,154. Motion carried 7-1. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Zimmerman HERE-Slagel

Discussion/Action to consider a donation request from the Prairie Central Music Boosters – Motion by Kinate, second by Zimmerman to approve a donation to the Prairie Central Music Boosters in the amount of \$500 to be paid from the gaming funds. Motion carried 7-1. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Zimmerman NO-Slagel

Discussion/Action to approve sidewalk requests – no sidewalk requests however, Martin presented a request from a property owner for cost-sharing to raise his sidewalk to the driveway level. Currently, a significant gap exists between the driveway and sidewalk. The City agreed.

Discussion Overtime Report - shared

FYI-Letter from the Attorney General's office regarding a public comment complaint
– shared

Motion by Kinate, second by Gerdes-Hibsch to appoint Alderman David Slagel as Mayor Pro-Tem during Mayor Dameron's absence from March 21st thru April 5th, 2016. Motion carried 7-1. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Zimmerman HERE-Slagel

Public Comment - none

Adjournment – Motion by Kinate, second by Slagel to adjourn at 6:58 pm.

Nancy Widlacki, City Clerk

**City of Fairbury
City Council Minutes – April 6, 2016
6:30 p.m. - Fairbury City Hall**

Call to order – Mayor Lynn Dameron called the meeting to order.

Roll Call of Council Members - Present: Gary Norris, Nancy Gerdes-Hibsich, Charles Hoselton, Jon Kinate, Bruce Weber, Jerry Hoffman, David Slagel and Terry Zimmerman.

Pledge of Allegiance

Review/Action to approve the Minutes of March 16, 2016 Council Meeting - Motion by Kinate, second by Weber. Motion carried 8-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsich Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Review/Action approval of the Board Report listing the bills – Motion by Zimmerman, second by Norris. Motion carried 7-1. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsich Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman NO-Hoselton

Public Comment –

- **Jim Hargitt**, Director of SELCAS (Southeast Livingston County Ambulance Service), addressed the council regarding NARCAN and training for the Fairbury Police Department Officers. He explained that NARCAN is a narcotic antagonist. It reverses the effects of an overdose regardless of the type of overdose. SELCAS has created a kit that would be worn on the Officer's belt. The kit contains 2 doses of NARCAN, an atomizer, CPR mask and a pair of gloves. SELCAS is willing to front the cost of getting a kit to each officer. A kit costs about \$100. A physician must endorse the program and Dr. Heather Schweizer has agreed to fill that role. SELCAS has offered to be the go-between for the Police Department and Dr. Schweizer as far as restocking supplies. Chief Finney impressed the importance of this kit being readily available to each officer. Both Lt. McCormick and Officer Graves have performed CPR, keeping their patients alive, until SELCAS arrived and was able to administer NARCAN. Because NARCAN does have a shelf-life, Hargitt suggested swapping kits with SELCAS once the Police Department gets close to an expiration date. The Fairbury City Council agreed this would be a good partnership.
- **Kelly & Cindy Kinate** presented the council with a proposal encouraging the creation of a hobby livestock ordinance which would allow honey bees, chickens and rabbits to be kept within city limits. Cindy stated over 1/3 of the food consumed could not exist without pollination by the honey bees and that honey bees are on the decline. While honey bees provide necessary pollination of fruit trees and gardens, they also produce honey and beeswax. Local honey, when consumed, is believed to be beneficial to one's health. Chickens are fun and friendly pets with education value. Their eggs are healthier than store bought; they control flies and pests and they eat weeds and kitchen scraps. Hens lay eggs without a rooster. They cluck quietly during the day and sleep at night. Rabbits are fun to raise and are educational. They also eat kitchen scraps as well as provide gardeners high quality, ready to use fertilizer.

Reports of Departments -

Street – Martin Steidinger, Superintendent – reported that State Farm was very generous with their donation of 36 office chairs to the Fire Department

Sewer – Frank McPherson, Superintendent – no report

Water – Duane Ifft, Superintendent – no report

Police – RT Finney, Interim Chief – report provided in council packet

City/Fire – Leroy McPherson, Superintendent/Chief – no report

Legal – Paul Mason, City Attorney – absent

Reports of Aldermen –

Alderman Gary Norris – questioned the need to amend the City’s solicitor ordinance

Alderman Nancy Gerdes-Hibsich – no report

Alderman Charlie Hoselton – no report

Alderman Jon Kinate – questioned the need for follow-up to Timber Ridge residents

Alderman Bruce Weber – no report

Alderman Jerry Hoffman – no report

Alderman David Slagel – no report

Alderman Terry Zimmerman – reported he’s been asked about sidewalk replacement where city trees have damaged concrete

Old Business –

Discussion/Action to approve monthly utility billing – Motion by Hoffman, second by Kinate to approve Ordinance Nos. 2016-1A and 1B approving monthly utility billing beginning May 1, 2016. Motion carried 8-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsich Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Discussion/Action to approve water & sewer rates – Motion by Hoffman, second by Slagel to approve Ordinance Nos. 2016-1A and 1B to increase water rates by 10% and sewer rates by 50% effective May 1, 2016. Motion carried 8-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsich Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

New Business –

Discussion/Action to consider a request from Westview School to hold a 5k Fun Run/Walk in the fairgrounds Saturday, April 16, 2016 from 8 am to Noon – Motion by Slagel, second by Hoselton. Motion carried 8-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsich Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Discussion/Action to consider the purchase/installation of four vehicle computers for the Fairbury Police Department which will allow all LIVCOM agencies to utilize a common dispatching system, records, report writing, and evidence program from each vehicle at a cost of approximately \$11,000 – Motion by Hoselton, second by Slagel to approve the purchase/installation of three (3) vehicle computers, at the recommendation of the Chief's amendment, to be funded by drug/dui funds. Motion carried 8-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Discussion/Action to consider amending the ordinance regarding solicitors - tabled

Discussion/Action to approve a resolution of preliminary plan drawings of LTCP for IEPA approval – Motion by Slagel, second by Kinate to approve Resolution No. 2016-4-6. Motion carried 8-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Discussion/Action to consider a request from the Fairbury Chamber regarding Community Sale street blocking – Motion by Weber, second by Norris. Motion carried 8-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Discussion/Action to consider a request from Rebekah Fehr/Sibley Burr Oaks Relay for Life for street blocking – Motion by Weber, second by Zimmerman. Motion carried 8-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Discussion/Action to consider bids for a dump truck purchase – Motion by Kinate, second by Slagel to approve the bid from Rahn Equipment in the amount of \$119,048. Motion carried 8-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Discussion/Action to consider hiring a Street Department employee – Motion by Weber, second by Zimmerman to hire Zachary Vaughan as a full-time Street Department employee. Motion carried 8-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Discussion/Action to consider adopting a City slogan – Motion by Norris, second by Slagel to adopt the City slogan, "Fairbury...Where our history provides a vision for the future". Motion carried 8-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Discussion/Action to consider the flower boxes on Locust Street – Motion by Kinate, second by Gerdes-Hibsch to begin work on the boxes. Motion carried 8-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Discussion/Action to consider the condition of a property on W Walnut Street - tabled

Discussion/Action to consider 2016-2017 MFT road maintenance – Motion by Slagel, second by Zimmerman to approve the 2016-2017 Motor Fuel projects in the amount of \$119,000. Motion carried 8-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Discussion/Action to consider NARCAN Training for the Police Department – Motion by Hoselton, second by Weber. Motion carried 8-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Discussion/Action to approve sidewalk requests – Motion by Kinate, second by Hoffman to approve the sidewalk request at 501 N 5th Street in the amount of \$635.25. Motion carried 8-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Discussion Overtime Report - shared

Public Comment - none

Adjournment – Motion by Slagel, second by Kinate to adjourn at 7:55 pm.

Nancy Widlacki, City Clerk

**City of Fairbury
City Council Minutes – April 20, 2016
6:30 p.m. - Fairbury City Hall**

Call to order – Mayor Lynn Dameron called the meeting to order.

Roll Call of Council Members - Present: Gary Norris, Nancy Gerdes-Hibsich, Charles Hoselton, Jon Kinate, Jerry Hoffman, and David Slagel. Bruce Weber was absent.

Pledge of Allegiance

Review/Action to approve the Minutes of April 6, 2016 Council Meeting - Motion by Slagel, second by Norris. Motion carried 7-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsich Hoselton Kinate Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Review/Action approval of the Board Report listing the bills – Motion by Slagel, second by Hoffman to pay all bills and charge to correct accounts with the exception of lifeguard certifications to be paid with gaming funds. Motion carried 7-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsich Hoselton Kinate Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Review/Action to approve the Check Register for March, 2016 – Motion by Kinate, second by Gerdes-Hibsich. Motion carried 7-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsich Hoselton Kinate Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Review/Action to approve the Treasurer’s Cash Report for March, 2016 – Motion by Kinate, second by Slagel. Motion carried 7-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsich Hoselton Kinate Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Public Comment –

- **Seth Welch** addressed the council in support of the possibility of a hobby livestock ordinance that would allow chickens, honey bees and rabbits to be kept inside city limits. He thanked Kelly and Cindy Kinate for initiating the conversation at the last council meeting. He favors chickens and rabbits but stated he doesn't have enough knowledge to show support for honey bees. Educationally parents have an opportunity to teach children about where our food comes from, especially with the farm-to-plate movement gaining in popularity. It also promotes sustainability. It could be an opportunity for the City to increase revenues through registration fees. He spoke to the fact that communities of all sizes have adopted similar ordinances encouraging a sustainable lifestyle. He commented about the recently adopted City slogan, "Fairbury...Where our history provides a vision for the future" is in alignment with Fairbury's history, which is agriculture.
- **Jim Hargitt** thanked the council for their support in the NARCAN program for the Police Officers and also thanked Dr. Heather Schweizer for her involvement as the Project Director. Gave an update which included a report from a retired police officer from Chicago about drug/narcotic episodes in Livingston County last year that totaled 177. All Fairbury officers went through the program and the kits are ready to be implemented. Jim asked Andy Larsen, OSF St. James System EMS Manager, to present Officer Graves with a Gold Star because on June 6, 2015 Officer Graves responded to a medical-aid call and quickly determined the patient was not breathing adequately and started life-saving measures. As a result of the measures taken, the EMS crew was able to step in and do what they needed to do and the event had a very good outcome.

Officer Graves received a standing-ovation from the Fairbury City Council and those in attendance for his heroic efforts. At this point, Mayor Dameron called Officer Graves to the front of Council Chambers to award him with a Life Saving Award.

Reports of Departments -

Street – Martin Steidinger, Superintendent – absent

Sewer – Frank McPherson, Superintendent – absent

Water – Duane Ifft, Superintendent – no report

Police – RT Finney, Interim Chief – report provided in council packet

City/Fire – Leroy McPherson, Superintendent/Chief – no report

Legal – Paul Mason, City Attorney – no report

Reports of Aldermen –

Alderman Gary Norris – no report

Alderman Nancy Gerdes-Hibsich – no report

Alderman Charlie Hoselton – no report

Alderman Jon Kinate – said the flower boxes along Locust Street are coming along nicely

Alderman Bruce Weber – absent

Alderman Jerry Hoffman – no report

Alderman David Slagel – no report

Alderman Terry Zimmerman – no report

Old Business –

Discussion/Action to consider a hobby livestock ordinance – tabled

Discussion/Action regarding the W. Walnut Street property and Langstaff property - tabled

New Business –

Discussion/Action to approve an ordinance fixing employee compensation – Motion by Slagel, second by Hoffman. Motion carried 7-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsich Hoselton Kinate Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Discussion/Action to approve amending Chapter 8 of the Municipal Code of the City of Fairbury – Motion by Norris, second by Zimmerman to approve Ordinance No. 2016-3 amending Chapter 8 of the Municipal Code of the City of Fairbury. Motion carried 6-1. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsich Kinate Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman NO-Hoselton

Discussion/Action to consider a freezer purchase for the pool – Motion by Slagel, second by Gerdes-Hibsich to approve the bid from Steidinger Brothers in the amount of \$549. Motion carried 7-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsich Hoselton Kinate Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Discussion/Action to consider a request from Walt Edelman to block street – Motion by Slagel, second by Zimmerman to approve the request with the stipulation that all the neighbors be made aware. Motion carried 7-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsich Hoselton Kinate Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Discussion/Action to consider historic murals and a walkway for Veteran’s Park - tabled

Discussion/Action to consider a request from Gig’s – Motion by Hoffman, second by Kinate to approve the request. Motion carried 7-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsich Hoselton Kinate Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Discussion/Action to consider recommendations from the Zoning Board of Appeals - tabled

Discussion/Action to consider Fairbury Police Department policy 41.15, Use of Naloxone – Motion by Slagel, second by Hoffman. Motion carried 7-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsich Hoselton Kinate Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Discussion of software for community calendar - discussed

Discussion/Action to approve sidewalk requests - none

Discussion Overtime Report - shared

Public Comment –

- Mike Pawlowski addressed the council with comments not in favor or opposition to a decision but to the decision-making process regarding the amendment to Chapter 8, Liquor Ordinance, earlier in the evening.
- Diane Pawlowski thanked Alderman Hoselton for his “no” vote amending Chapter 8, Liquor Ordinance. Her opinion is the council made a mistake amending the Liquor Ordinance.

Other New Business –

Executive Session Purchase or Lease of Real Estate – Section 2 (c)(5) – Includes general discussion of whether land should be purchased or leased by the public body.

Executive Session Personnel – Section 2 (c)(1) – Employee hiring, firing, compensation, discipline and performance –

Motion by: Kinate @ 7:27 pm Second: Slagel

Motion by to enter Open Session: Slagel @ 7:55 pm Second: Kinate

Action from Executive Session -

Motion by Hoffman, second by Kinate to approve the asbestos evaluation in the amount of \$1,850 to be done at the old hospital property by M&O Environmental. Motion carried 7-0.
YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Motion by Slagel, second by Zimmerman to extend the contract for Interim Chief of Police RT Finney from April 30, 2016 through August 31, 2016.

Adjournment – Motion by Slagel, second by Kinate to adjourn at 7:55 pm.

Nancy Widlacki, City Clerk

**City of Fairbury
City Council Minutes – May 4, 2016
6:30 p.m. - Fairbury City Hall**

Call to order – Mayor Lynn Dameron called the meeting to order.

Roll Call of Council Members - Present: Gary Norris, Nancy Gerdes-Hibschi, Charles Hoselton, Bruce Weber, Jerry Hoffman, David Slagel and Terry Zimmerman. Jon Kinate was absent.

Pledge of Allegiance

Review/Action to approve the Minutes of April 20, 2016 Council Meeting - Motion by Slagel, second by Zimmerman. Motion carried 7-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibschi Hoselton Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Review/Action to approve the Board Report listing the bills – Motion by Weber, second by Slagel. Motion carried 7-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibschi Hoselton Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Public Comment –

- Wayne Varner addressed the council regarding the hobby livestock ordinance. His opinion is that the passage of an ordinance allowing chickens, rabbits or otherwise should be put to the voters to decide.
- Mary Catherine Carter, representing the Lions' Club, presented the council with their plan to paint the railings on the sidewalks along Locust Street in the business district.

Reports of Departments -

Street – Martin Steidinger, Superintendent – no report

Sewer – Frank McPherson, Superintendent – no report

Water – Duane Ifft, Superintendent – absent

Police – RT Finney, Interim Chief – report provided in council packet

City/Fire – Leroy McPherson, Superintendent/Chief – asked that a Finance Committee meeting be set to discuss budget

Legal – Paul Mason, City Attorney – no report

Reports of Aldermen –

Alderman Gary Norris – no report

Alderman Nancy Gerdes-Hibschi – no report

Alderman Charlie Hoselton – no report

Alderman Jon Kinate – absent

Alderman Bruce Weber – asked for clarification on golf cart stickers at the racetrack

Alderman Jerry Hoffman – no report

Alderman David Slagel – no report

Alderman Terry Zimmerman – spoke about the murals that will be acted upon later in the meeting. Prairielands Foundation is funding the creation and installation of the murals.

Old Business –

Discussion/Action to consider murals & walkway – Motion by Weber, second by Slagel to install the murals at Veteran’s Memorial Park Motion carried 7-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman.

Discussion/Action to consider community calendar – Motion by Slagel, second by Norris to purchase the software program for \$150/yr from localendar.com. Motion carried 7-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman.

Other Old Business - none

New Business –

Discussion/Action to approve the Bank of Pontiac, Busey Bank, Morton Community Bank, First State Bank of Forrest and Illinois Bank as the financial institutions for the City of Fairbury and to approve Nancy Widlacki, Janice Ziegenhorn and Stephanie Houser as check signers. Motion by Weber, second by Hoffman to approve the signers. Motion carried 7-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman.

Discussion/Action to allow bills to be paid during the year to the Postmaster for postage, Dominy Library for memorials, Livingston County Circuit Clerk for liens and health care payments specifically: Health Alliance, Delta Dental, VSP and BPC, along with Workman’s Comp, Commercial, and Professional Insurances. Also gas credit card bills to avoid late charges if the bill arrives in between payment cycles/board meetings – Motion by Weber, second by Hoffman to approve the bills to be paid. Motion carried 7-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman.

Discussion/Action to consider a request from Dave’s Supermarket - Motion by Zimmerman, second by Gerdes-Hibsch to approve the street closure for their annual Pig-Out. Motion carried 7-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman.

Discussion/Action to consider placing an ad in the Pantagraph and Leader to run for one week to hire lateral transfer police officers - tabled

Discussion/Action to consider new decals from Aftershock Decals and Design in the amount of \$1,800 for the 2013 Explorer and Crown Vic for the Police Department - tabled

Discussion/Action to consider the replacement of a Falcon hand-held radar device to be paid from DUI Equipment Fund – Motion by Hoselton, second by Hoffman to purchase the hand-held radar device from Ray O’Herron in the amount of \$702. Motion carried 7-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman.

Discussion/Action to consider the sidewalk estimate for Walton Centre - tabled

Discussion/Action to consider an ordinance amending Chapters 5, 5A and 6 of the City of Fairbury Municipal Code – Motion by Slagel, second by Hoffman to approve the

amendments. Motion carried 7-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman.

Discussion/Action to consider a quote from RTJ Electric in the amount of \$9,480 for tennis court lighting - tabled

Discussion to schedule an Ordinances, Permits & Insurance committee meeting – scheduled the meeting for Wednesday, May 25, 2016 @ 6 pm

Discussion/Action to approve sidewalk requests - none

Discussion Overtime Report - shared

Thank you note from Terry Casson and family - shared

Public Comment - none

Other New Business –

Alderman Hoselton asked for a discussion/action item be added to the next agenda creating a savings account to be monitored by Jan Ziegenhorn and RT Finney for donations received for a K-9.

Executive Session Collective Bargaining – Section 2 (c)(2) – Collective negotiating matters and deliberations concerning salary schedules -

Executive Session Personnel – Section 2 (c)(1) – Employee hiring, firing, compensation, discipline and performance –

Motion by: Slagel @ 7:20 pm Second: Zimmerman

Motion by to enter Open Session: Weber @ 8:05 pm Second: Slagel

Action from Executive Session – scheduled a Police & Fire Committee meeting for Monday, May 16th at 5:30 pm

Adjournment – Motion by Slagel, second by Weber to adjourn at 8:08 pm.

Nancy Widlacki, City Clerk

**City of Fairbury
City Council Minutes – May 18, 2016
6:30 p.m. - Fairbury City Hall**

Call to order – Mayor Lynn Dameron called the meeting to order.

Roll Call of Council Members - Present: Gary Norris, Nancy Gerdes-Hibsch, Jon Kinate, Bruce Weber, David Slagel and Terry Zimmerman. Charles Hoselton and Jerry Hoffman were absent.

Pledge of Allegiance

Review/Action to approve the Minutes of May 4, 2016 Council Meeting - Motion by Kinate, second by Gerdes-Hibsch. Motion carried 6-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Kinate Weber Slagel Zimmerman

Review/Action to approve the Board Report listing the bills – Motion by Kinate, second by Norris. Motion carried 6-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Kinate Weber Slagel Zimmerman

Review/Action to approve the Check Register for April, 2016 – Motion by Kinate, second by Gerdes-Hibsch. Motion carried 6-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Kinate Weber Slagel Zimmerman

Review/Action to approve the Treasurer’s Cash Report for April, 2016 – Motion by Kinate, second by Zimmerman. Motion carried 6-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Kinate Weber Slagel Zimmerman

Public Comment –

- ❖ Jim Munz presented scholarship awards to the following winners:
 - Abbie Bazzell – Daughter of fireman Greg Bazzell
 - Kyler Knapp – SELCAS employee
 - Rebekah Kaeb – SELCAS volunteer
 - Kerigan Vedder – Daughter of police officer Randy Vedder
 - Toby Steidinger – Son of fireman Martin Steidinger
 - Elizabeth Walter – Daughter of fireman Alan Walter
- ❖ Adam Dontz with the Greater Livingston County Economic Development Council addressed the council regarding the benefits of membership with the GLCEDC.
- ❖ David Netter addressed the council regarding the creation of a savings account to receive donations to be used for a K-9
- ❖ Val Stoller addressed the council by sharing a personal story involving a K-9 that found heroin and needles previously undetected by her and her family members after a sibling’s heroin overdose episode.

Reports of Departments -

Street – Martin Steidinger, Superintendent – no report

Sewer – Frank McPherson, Superintendent – no report

Water – Duane Ifft, Superintendent – no report

Police – RT Finney, Interim Chief – report provided in council packet

City/Fire – Leroy McPherson, Superintendent/Chief – stated the pool is ready

Legal – Paul Mason, City Attorney – absent

Reports of Aldermen –**Alderman Gary Norris** – no report**Alderman Nancy Gerdes-Hibsich** – no report**Alderman Charlie Hoselton** – absent**Alderman Jon Kinate** – asked for updates about the Timber Ridge sewer situation**Alderman Bruce Weber** – no report**Alderman Jerry Hoffman** – absent**Alderman David Slagel** – no report**Alderman Terry Zimmerman** – reported that Dale Maley and Darren Ropp started the historical mural project; reported the solar lighting has been ordered for the west side Welcome to Fairbury sign.**Old Business –****Discussion/Action to approve an estimate from Farnsworth Group to rehab the Walton Centre sidewalk** - tabled**Discussion/Action to consider Walnut St and Langstaff properties** - tabled**Other Old Business –** None**New Business –****Discussion/Action to consider well research** - tabled**Discussion/Action to consider the budget** – Motion by Weber, second by Slagel to approve the budget. Motion carried 6-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsich Kinate Weber Slagel Zimmerman**Invitation to City officials to preview a new business prior to opening day** - shared**Discussion/Action to consider a request from the Greater Livingston County Economic Development Commission** – Motion by Kinate, second by Gerdes-Hibsich to approve the GLCEDC dues in the amount of \$7,916. Motion carried 6-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsich Kinate Weber Slagel Zimmerman**Discussion/Action to approve sidewalk requests** - None**Discussion to consider an account for a dog** – Alderman Zimmerman stated the City Council is very much in favor of the K-9 program. He deferred the discussion to City Treasurer Ziegenhorn who spoke with the City's auditors about the creation of the account. The auditors have a long list of requirements, including the creation of a resolution that needs to be met prior to opening such an account. Mayor Dameron said the City will get the account set up as soon as possible.**Discussion Overtime Report** - shared

Public Comment - None

Other New Business –

Executive Session Personnel – Section 2 (c)(1) – Employee hiring, firing, compensation, discipline and performance –

Motion by: Slagel @ 7:26 p.m. Second: Weber

Motion by to enter Open Session: Zimmerman @ 8:08 p.m. Second: Kinate

Action from Executive Session - None

Adjournment – Motion by Slagel, second by Kinate to adjourn at 8:10 p.m.

Nancy Widlacki, City Clerk

**City of Fairbury
City Council Minutes – June 1, 2016
6:30 p.m. - Fairbury City Hall**

Call to order – Mayor Lynn Dameron called the meeting to order.

Roll Call of Council Members - Present: Gary Norris, Jon Kinate, Bruce Weber, Jerry Hoffman, David Slagel and Terry Zimmerman. Nancy Gerdes-Hibsich and Charles Hoselton were absent.

Pledge of Allegiance

Review/Action to approve the Minutes of May 18, 2016 Council Meeting - Motion by Slagel, second by Zimmerman. Motion carried 6-0. YES-Norris Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Review/Action to approve the Board Report listing the bills – Motion by Kinate, second by Norris. Motion carried 6-0. YES-Norris Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Public Comment –

- ◆ Robert McCormick addressed the council regarding his inability to decipher committee meeting minutes that are put online. He suggested they be typed. He'd also like to see open meetings videotaped.

Reports of Departments -

Street – Martin Steidinger, Superintendent – absent

Sewer – Frank McPherson, Superintendent – no report

Water – Duane Ifft, Superintendent – no report

Police – RT Finney, Interim Chief – report provided in council packet

City/Fire – Leroy McPherson, Superintendent/Chief – stated the 6th Street project has been started

Legal – Paul Mason, City Attorney – no report

Reports of Aldermen –

Alderman Gary Norris – reported on a complaint received from a constituent about the User's Fee charge

Alderman Nancy Gerdes-Hibsich – absent

Alderman Charlie Hoselton – absent

Alderman Jon Kinate – mentioned the Municipal Review had a few great articles to read; reported on a committee meeting held recently

Alderman Bruce Weber – no report

Alderman Jerry Hoffman – asked if the Open Meetings Act is available for the general public to read

Alderman David Slagel – no report

Alderman Terry Zimmerman – no report

Old Business

Discussion/Action to consider old city hall – no action; decided to get bids for repair work

Discussion/Action to consider well research – no action; direct Bob Kohlhase with Farnsworth Group to proceed

Discussion/Action to consider Walnut St and Langstaff property – no action

Other Old Business –

New Business –

Presentation from Seth Welch on livestock ordinance – Seth presented a very well-put together ordinance for hens; the council will discuss it further at the next committee meeting

Discussion on dedication for historical murals – discussed a potential date for a dedication

Discussion/Action to consider an ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance – Motion by Kinate, second by Weber to approve Ordinance 2016-5 amending the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Fairbury with the exception of Section II. Motion carried 6-0. YES-Norris Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Discussion/Action to consider health insurance – no discussion or action; will be discussed and acted upon at the special council meeting scheduled for Thursday, June 2, 2016

Discussion/Action to consider an agreement between Steidinger Meats and the City of Fairbury for a handicapped sidewalk - tabled

Discussion/Action to approve the Municipal Maintenance Expenditure Statement for MFT, the Motor Fuel Tax (MFT) List of Warrants and the Transfer Statement which will move \$6,554.50 from General Funds into the MFT account due to an overage for Concrete Curb & Gutter, Sidewalk, & Pavement Repair – Motion by Weber, second by Kinate to approve. Motion carried 6-0. YES-Norris Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Discussion/Action to consider a resolution appointing library board members – Motion by Norris, second by Zimmerman to approve Resolution No. 2016-6-1 appointing library board members. Motion carried 6-0. YES-Norris Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Discussion/Action to approve sidewalk requests - none

Schedule a Police & Fire Committee meeting for discussions about ESDA and a dog resolution – the council will check their schedules for available dates

Mayor Dameron appointed Alderman Slagel as Mayor pro-tem from June 8th to June 17th during Mayor Dameron's absence

Discussion Overtime Report - shared

Public Comment – David Netter asked the council to refer to the dog as a K-9

Other New Business

Executive Session Collective Bargaining – Section 2 (c)(2) – Collective negotiating matters and deliberations concerning salary schedules

Motion by: Slagel @ 7:17 p.m. Second: Zimmerman

Motion by to enter Open Session: Slagel @ 7:32 p.m. Second: Weber

Action from Executive Session - None

Adjournment – Motion by Slagel, second by Kinate to adjourn at 7:32 p.m.

Nancy Widlacki, City Clerk

**City of Fairbury
City Council Minutes – June 2, 2016
6:00 p.m. - Fairbury City Hall**

Call to order – Mayor Lynn Dameron called the meeting to order.

Roll Call of Council Members - Present: Gary Norris, Nancy Gerdes-Hibschi, Jerry Hoffman, David Slagel and Terry Zimmerman. Jon Kinate, Charles Hoselton and Bruce Weber were absent.

Pledge of Allegiance

Discussion/Action to consider employee health insurance – Motion by Slagel, second by Gerdes-Hibschi to approve option 2 from United Health Care to provide health insurance for city employees and the city will continue to pay each employee's deductible. Motion carried 5-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibschi Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Adjournment – Motion by Slagel, second by Zimmerman to adjourn at 7:58 p.m.

Nancy Widlacki, City Clerk

**City of Fairbury
City Council Minutes – June 15, 2016
6:30 p.m. - Fairbury City Hall**

Call to order – Mayor pro-tem David Slagel called the meeting to order.

Roll Call of Council Members - Present: Gary Norris, Nancy Gerdes-Hibsich, Charles Hoselton, Jon Kinate, Bruce Weber, Jerry Hoffman, David Slagel and Terry Zimmerman. Mayor Lynn Dameron was absent.

Pledge of Allegiance

Review/Action to approve the Minutes of June 1, 2016 Council Meeting - Motion by Kinate, second by Zimmerman.

Motion carried 8-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsich Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Review/Action to approve the Minutes of June 2, 2016 Special Council Meeting – Motion by Hoselton, second by Hoffman.

Motion carried 7-1. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsich Hoselton Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman
HERE-Kinate

Review/Action Approval of the Board Report - Motion by Kinate, second by Weber.

Motion carried 8-0. YES- Norris Gerdes-Hibsich Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Review/Action to approve the Check Register for May, 2016 – Motion by Norris, second by Gerdes-Hibsich.

Motion carried 8-0. YES- Norris Gerdes-Hibsich Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Review/Action to approve the Treasurer’s Cash Report for May, 2016 – Motion by Kinate, second by Hoffman.

Motion carried 8-0. YES- Norris Gerdes-Hibsich Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Public Comment –

Andy Hanfland with the Farnsworth Group – LTCP Agreement – Andy said this will be discussed during the meeting

- ✓ David Netter addressed the council about, in his opinion, the inappropriate commentary made on the City’s Facebook page during which the water/sewer rates were being discussed. He stated people from here to Mongolia could read the posts. He didn’t like the answers provided by the City, namely Nancy Widlacki, City Clerk for the City who moderated the Facebook page. He continued to pick apart the City’s answers to questions. He did not like that the City urged him to complete a Public Comment form and address his questions to the council. He interpreted that as the Clerk encouraging arguments from the public. He feels the City did not answer his question. He said the City is ridiculous. He also stated he has no family members here so the only vehicle they have to learn about the City of Fairbury is to view the City’s website which is vague or the City’s Facebook which he is embarrassed by.

Reports of Departments –

Street – Martin Steidinger, Superintendent - absent

Sewer – Frank McPherson, Superintendent – over the next few weeks they will be surveying wastewater projects

Water – Duane Ifft, Superintendent – responded to Netter’s comment about the Cagley water bill – Duane went to the home and discovered very high usage which was traced back to a leaking toilet. The Cagley’s were happy to have found the source as was Duane.

Police – RT Finney, Interim Chief – report included in packet

City/Fire – Leroy McPherson, Superintendent/Chief – reported the water tower was struck by lightning; the pool chemicals have been out of line

Legal – Paul Mason, City Attorney – no report

Reports of Aldermen –

Alderman Gary Norris – asked about DialMyCalls and what methods messages are deliverable by

Alderman Nancy Gerdes-Hibsch – no report

Alderman Charlie Hoselton – no report

Alderman Jon Kinate – asked about Timber Ridge

Alderman Bruce Weber – noted Summer Nationals is next weekend

Alderman Jerry Hoffman – has been asked about a livestock ordinance

Alderman David Slagel – no report

Alderman Terry Zimmerman – the Citizen’s Discussion group is renaming itself the Fairbury Improvement Group

Old Business –

Discussion/Action to consider a handicapped ramp at Steidinger Meats - tabled

Discussion/Action to consider the Langstaff property - tabled

Other Old Business – none

New Business –

Discussion/Action to consider well drilling quotes - tabled

Discussion/Action to consider the Long Term Control Plan as presented by Andy Hanfland - tabled

Discussion/Action to consider bid results for MFT project – Motion by Zimmerman, second by Kinate to accept the bid from General Material in the amount of \$31,750.00 Motion carried 8-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Discussion/Action to consider a request from Nancy Widlacki to attend the 2016 MCI Summer Seminar July 14-16 in Naperville – Motion by Gerdes-Hibsch, second by Zimmerman to approve the request. Motion carried 8-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Discussion/Action to approve the Prevailing Wage Ordinance – Motion by Hoselton, second by Weber to approve Ordinance #2016-6, An Ordinance of the City of Fairbury, Livingston County, Illinois, Ascertaining the Prevailing Rate of Wages for Laborers, Workers and Mechanics Employed on Public Works of said City. Motion carried 8-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Discussion/Action to consider a Resolution Supporting and Participating in the Streator Area Enterprise Zone and authorizing Property Tax Abatements for Residential, Commercial and Industrial Property Improvements in the Streator Area Enterprise Zone – Motion by Hoffman, second by Kinate to approve Resolution #2016-6-15 Supporting and Participating in the Streator Area Enterprise Zone and authorizing Property Tax Abatements for Residential, Commercial and Industrial Property Improvements in the Streator Area Enterprise Zone. Motion carried 8-0. Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Discussion/Action to approve raising water tap-on fees to \$275 per the recommendation of the Water & Sewer Committee meeting held Wednesday, March 2, 2016 – Motion by Kinate, second by Gerdes-Hibsch. Motion carried 7-1. Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman. PRESENT-Weber

Discussion/Action to approve a new copy machine lease for City Hall – Motion by Hoselton, second by Zimmerman to approve the lease for a Samsung copy machine. Motion carried 8-0. Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Discussion/Action for mural dedication – no action

Discussion/Action to choose a date and location for K-9 discussion – scheduled a public meeting to be held in the basement of City Hall on Monday, July 18, 2016 @ 7 p.m. to discuss a K-9.

Schedule an Ordinance Committee meeting – Meeting to discuss solicitors, honey bees, and chickens has been scheduled for Wednesday, June 29, 2016 @ 6:30 p.m.

Overtime Report – shared

Public Comment –

⇒ Diane Pawlowski asked for an updated Committees list

Other New Business –

Executive Session Litigation – Section 2 (c)(11) – Pending, probable or imminent litigation. Probable or imminent litigation requires specific finding to that effect in closed session minutes.

Collective Bargaining – Section 2 (c)(2) – Collective negotiating matters and deliberations concerning salary schedules.

Motion by: Kinate @ 7:33 p.m. Second: Zimmerman

Motion by to enter Open Session: Weber @ 7:52 p.m. Second: Zimmerman

Action from Executive Session – Appointed Gary Norris as Chairman of the Parks, Pool, Lighting and Trail Committee

Adjournment – Motion by Kinate, second by Zimmerman to adjourn at 8:08 p.m.

Nancy Widlacki, City Clerk

**City of Fairbury
City Council Minutes – July 20, 2016
6:30 p.m. - Fairbury City Hall**

Call to order – Mayor Dameron called the meeting to order.

Roll Call of Council Members - Present: Gary Norris, Nancy Gerdes-Hibsch, Charles Hoselton, Jon Kinate, Jerry Hoffman, David Slagel and Terry Zimmerman. Bruce Weber was absent.

Pledge of Allegiance

Review/Action to approve the Minutes of July 6, 2016 Council Meeting - Motion by Slagel, second by Norris.

Motion carried 7-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Review/Action Approval of the Board Report - Motion by Slagel, second by Gerdes-Hibsch. Motion carried 7-0. YES- Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Review/Action to approve the Check Register for June, 2016 – Motion by Kinate, second by Slagel. Motion carried 7-0. YES- Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Review/Action to approve the Treasurer’s Cash Report for June, 2016 – Motion by Kinate, second by Gerdes-Hibsch. Motion carried 7-0. YES- Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Public Comment –

The mayor thanked Central Image Printing, Jessica Doran, Tom Doran and Chief of Police RT Finney for organizing and installing blue lines on vehicles, at no charge, in support of our Police Officers

Reports of Departments –

Street – Martin Steidinger, Superintendent – reported the refrigerator at the Street Shed went out. He received 2 bids and the council approved the low bid of \$699 for a new refrigerator.

Sewer – Frank McPherson, Superintendent – no report

Water – Duane Ifft, Superintendent – absent

Police – RT Finney, Interim Chief – report included in packet

City/Fire – Leroy McPherson, Superintendent/Chief – reported the Water Department is about ¼ of the way finished flushing hydrants; reported that utility billing customers will soon be able to have their payment automatically debited from a checking or savings account; reported 4th & Ash Streets is under construction again.

Legal – Paul Mason, City Attorney – discussion is on agenda for action

Reports of Aldermen –

Alderman Gary Norris – reported on a meeting that was held with Paula Robinson, pool manager. Paula has agreed to open the pool on Wednesday evenings until 8 p.m. and possibly a second evening.

Alderman Nancy Gerdes-Hibsich – reported on recommendations from a recent Water & Sewer committee meeting that include participation with Crop Production; ask Leroy to speak with the business south of Fairbury; recommend the 7th Street project; recommend working with Fairview Haven on the water main for the north trail.

Alderman Charlie Hoselton – no report

Alderman Jon Kinate – no report

Alderman Bruce Weber – absent

Alderman Jerry Hoffman – no report

Alderman David Slagel – no report

Alderman Terry Zimmerman – to be discussed later in the meeting

Old Business -

Discussion/Action to approve the appropriation ordinance – Motion by Slagel, second by Hoffman to approve Ordinance No. 2016-7 The Annual Appropriation Bill or Ordinance of the City of Fairbury, Livingston County, Illinois. Motion carried 7-0. YES- Norris Gerdes-Hibsich Hoselton Kinate Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Discussion/Action to approve the LTCP Engineering contract – Motion by Hoselton, second by Slagel to approve contract. Motion carried 7-0. YES- Norris Gerdes-Hibsich Hoselton Kinate Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Review an Ordinance amending the City of Fairbury Municipal Code Book Chapter 7, .15 Peddlers - tabled

Discussion/Action regarding the Langstaff property – Motion by Slagel, second by Hoffman to approve Resolution 2016-7-20 to Begin Demolition Proceedings against the Langstaff property. Motion carried 7-0. YES- Norris Gerdes-Hibsich Hoselton Kinate Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Discussion/Action to approve an Agreement between Steidinger Meats and the City of Fairbury regarding a handicapped ramp – Motion by Hoselton, second by Norris to approve the agreement. Motion carried 7-0. YES- Norris Gerdes-Hibsich Hoselton Kinate Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Discussion/Action to approve work to be at old city hall – no action

Discussion/Action to consider the Walton Centre sidewalk - tabled

FYI – Mural dedication has been scheduled for Saturday, July 30th @ 11 a.m. - shared

New Business –

Discussion/Action to approve Randall W. Vedder and Janice L. Ziegenhorn as authorized check signers on the Unawarded Seized Funds account and the Police Department Restricted account – Motion by Kinate, second by Zimmerman to approve the check signers. Motion carried 7-0. YES- Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Discussion/Action to consider sidewalk repair at 2nd & Locust Streets – no motion

Discussion/Action to consider a request from Gig's Place to host a Customer Appreciation Street Dance Saturday, August 13th from 5 p.m. to 12 a.m. in the street – Motion by Zimmerman, second by Slagel to approve the event. Motion carried 7-0. YES- Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Overtime Report - shared

Other New Business –

Executive Session Personnel – Section 2(c)(1) – Employee hiring, firing, compensation, discipline and performance. (Note: An independent contractor is not an employee)

Purchase or Lease of Real Estate – Section 2 (c)(5) – Includes general discussion of whether land should be purchased or leased by the public body.

Collective Bargaining – Section 2(c)(2) – Collective negotiating matters and deliberations concerning salary schedules.

Litigation – Section 2(c)(11) – Pending, probable or imminent litigation. Probable or imminent litigation requires specific finding to that effect in closed session minutes.

Motion by: Kinate @ 7:11 p.m. Second: Slagel

Motion by to enter Open Session: Slagel @ 7:52 p.m. Second: Gerdes-Hibsch

Action from Executive Session – Motion by Slagel, second by Norris to approve a motion approving the payment of \$25,000 to Kaci Zimmerman to settle the Zimmerman vs the City of Fairbury litigation. Motion carried 7-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

Adjournment – Motion by Slagel, second by Kinate @ 7:53 p.m.

Nancy Widlacki, City Clerk

**City of Fairbury
City Council Minutes – August 3, 2016
6:30 p.m. - Fairbury City Hall**

Call to order – Mayor Dameron called the meeting to order.

Roll Call of Council Members - Present: Gary Norris, Nancy Gerdes-Hibschi, Charles Hoselton, Jon Kinate, Jerry Hoffman, David Slagel and Bruce Weber. Terry Zimmerman was absent.

Pledge of Allegiance

Review/Action to approve the Minutes of July 20, 2016 Council Meeting - Motion by Kinate, second by Gerdes-Hibschi.

Motion carried 7-0. YES- Norris Gerdes-Hibschi Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel

Review/Action Approval of the Board Report - Motion by Kinate, second by Hoffman.

Motion carried 7-0. YES- Norris Gerdes-Hibschi Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel

Public Comment – None

Reports of Departments –

Street – Martin Steidinger, Superintendent – absent

Sewer – Frank McPherson, Superintendent – no report

Water – Duane Ifft, Superintendent – absent

Police – RT Finney, Interim Chief – report included in packet

City/Fire – Leroy McPherson, Superintendent/Chief – no report

Legal – Paul Mason, City Attorney – reported on questions received about For Sale signs posted at the Langstaff building and explained that because of timing, the signs went up. The City intends to move forward with purchasing the property.

Reports of Aldermen –

Alderman Gary Norris – no report

Alderman Nancy Gerdes-Hibschi – no report

Alderman Charlie Hoselton – no report

Alderman Jon Kinate – no report

Alderman Bruce Weber – reported the race track had approximately 6,500 people at the Prairie Dirt Classic.

Alderman Jerry Hoffman – no report

Alderman David Slagel – no report

Alderman Terry Zimmerman – absent

Old Business –

Discussion/Action to consider an ordinance amending Ch 7 peddler - tabled

Discussion/Action to consider the Walton Centre sidewalk – tabled

Other Old Business - None

New Business –

Discussion/Action to consider a request from Katelynn Dunn to block Locust St between 4th & 5th Streets on Saturday, August 6th from 8:30 to 11 a.m. - Motion by Slagel, second by Weber to approve the request.

Motion carried 7-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel

Discussion/Action to consider a request from Nancy Widlacki to attend Year 2 of the Municipal Clerks of Illinois Institute & Academy October 9-14, 2016, in Springfield. Costs include hotel and food only - Motion by Weber, second by Norris.

Motion carried 7-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel

Discussion/Action to consider amending the residency requirement for city employees to include the Prairie Central School District - tabled

Discussion of Interim Chief of Police RT Finney end date - shared

Discussion/Action to consider the appointment of Chief of Police – to be discussed after executive session

FYI – Police Officer Chris Edwards has completed all aspects of his probationary period and is released from probationary status - shared

Schedule a Police & Fire and Finance Committees meeting to discuss equipment – scheduled for Monday, August 22, 2016 @ 6 pm

Overtime Report – shared

Public Comment – Diane Pawlowski asked if the council considered other events in the City prior to taking action on a new request.

Other New Business –

Executive Session Personnel – Section 2 (c)(1) – Employee hiring, firing, compensation, discipline and performance. (Note: An independent contractor is not an employee.).

Motion by: Kinate @ 7:10 pm Second: Slagel

Motion by to enter Open Session: Slagel @ 7:30 pm Second: Kinate

Action from Executive Session – Mayor Dameron appointed Sgt. Mark Travis to the position of Chief of Police.

Adjournment – Motion by Kinate, second by Hoffman @ 7:40 pm to adjourn
Nancy Widlacki, City Clerk

**City of Fairbury
City Council Minutes – August 17, 2016
6:30 p.m. - Fairbury City Hall**

Call to order – Mayor Dameron called the meeting to order.

Roll Call of Council Members - Present: Gary Norris, Nancy Gerdes-Hibschi, Charles Hoselton, Jon Kinate, Bruce Weber, and David Slagel. Jerry Hoffman and Terry Zimmerman were absent.

Pledge of Allegiance

Review/Action to approve the Minutes of August 3, 2016 Council Meeting - Motion by Kinate, second by Slagel.

Motion carried 6-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibschi Hoselton Kinate Weber Slagel

Review/Action Approval of the Board Report - Motion by Kinate, second by Gerdes-Hibschi. Motion carried 6-0. YES- Norris Gerdes-Hibschi Hoselton Kinate Weber Slagel

Review/Action to approve the Check Register for July, 2016 – Motion by Slagel, second by Kinate. Motion carried 6-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibschi Hoselton Kinate Weber Slagel

Review/Action to approve the Treasurer’s Cash Report for July, 2016 – Motion by Kinate, second by Norris. Motion carried 6-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibschi Hoselton Kinate Weber Slagel

Public Comment –

None

Reports of Departments –

Street – Martin Steidinger, Superintendent – reported the concrete saw needs to be replaced; asked for council approval to replace the cordless drill with a Milwaukee saws-all set for approximately \$800; approval granted.

Sewer – Frank McPherson, Superintendent – absent

Water – Duane Ifft, Superintendent – absent

Police – Mark Travis, Chief – report included in packet

City/Fire – Leroy McPherson, Superintendent/Chief – reported all hydrants have been flushed

Legal – Paul Mason, City Attorney – no report

Reports of Aldermen –

Alderman Gary Norris – no report

Alderman Nancy Gerdes-Hibschi – no report

Alderman Charlie Hoselton – no report

Alderman Jon Kinate – no report

Alderman Bruce Weber – no report

Alderman Jerry Hoffman – absent

Alderman David Slagel – no report

Alderman Terry Zimmerman – absent

Old Business –

Discussion/Action to approve a request from Officer Drew Chase to extend his residency requirement until June 1, 2017 – Motion by Slagel, second by Kinate to approve Resolution #2016-8-17A extending Officer Chase's residency to June, 2017. Motion carried 4-3. YES-Norris Kinate Slagel – Mayor Dameron voted to break the tie
NO-Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Weber

Discussion/Action to consider residency requirements for City employees – tabled

Other Old Business – none

New Business –

Discussion/Action to consider the ICOPS Union Contract - tabled

Discussion/Action to consider appointing an ESDA Director – Motion by Hoselton, second by Kinate to appoint Deb Moran as the ESDA Director. Motion carried 6-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Slagel

Discussion/Action to consider a resolution authorizing the mayor to sign loan documents – Motion by Kinate, second by Gerdes-Hibsch to approve Resolution 2016-8-17B authorizing the Mayor to sign loan documents. Motion carried 6-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Slagel

Discussion/Action to consider bids received for tuckpointing and window sill replacement at old city hall - tabled

Discussion/Action to consider purchasing 2 4-year, in-car camera warranties from WatchGuard in the amount of \$2,000 to be paid from Restricted Funds – Motion by Weber, second by Slagel to approve the purchase of 2 4-year, in-car camera warranties from WatchGuard in the amount of \$2,000 to be paid from Restricted Funds. Motion carried 6-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Slagel

Discussion/Action to allow Chief Travis to solicit bids for the sale of a seized vehicle – Motion by Kinate, second by Weber to allow Chief Travis to solicit bids to sell seized vehicles. Motion carried 6-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Slagel

Thank you note received from the Fairbury Fair Board - shared

Thank you to Ace Hardware for donating all paint and supplies for bike racks/railings and to the Fairbury Lions Club for their donation of labor priming and painting bike racks/railings – thank-you extended Ace Hardware and the Lions Club. The Mayor also thanked Dale Maley for all of his donated efforts and hard work with the murals and painting.

FYI – A Ride to Remember information from Connie Cook - shared

Discussion/Action to approve sidewalk requests – Motion by Kinate, second by Hoselton to approve a request from 503 E Locust Street in the amount of \$367.50 and 505 E Locust Street in the amount of \$315.00. Motion carried 6-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Slagel

Overtime Report - shared

Public Comment - none

Adjournment – Motion by Slagel, second by Kinate at 6:53 p.m.

Nancy Widlacki, City Clerk

**City of Fairbury
City Council Minutes – September 21, 2016
6:30 p.m. - Fairbury City Hall**

Call to order – Mayor Dameron called the meeting to order.

Roll Call of Council Members - Present: Gary Norris, Nancy Gerdes-Hibschi, Charles Hoselton, Jon Kinate, Bruce Weber and David Slagel. Jerry Hoffman and Terry Zimmerman were absent.

Pledge of Allegiance

Review/Action to approve the Minutes of September 7, 2016 Council Meeting - Motion by Kinate, second by Hoselton.

Motion carried 6-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibschi Hoselton Kinate Weber Slagel

Review/Action Approval of the Board Report - Motion by Kinate, second by Gerdes-Hibschi. Motion carried 6-0. YES- Norris Gerdes-Hibschi Hoselton Kinate Weber Slagel

Review/Action to approve the Check Register for August, 2016 – Motion by Kinate, second by Gerdes-Hibschi. Motion carried 6-0. YES- Norris Gerdes-Hibschi Hoselton Kinate Weber Slagel

Review/Action to approve the Treasurer’s Cash Report for August, 2016 – Motion by Slagel, second by Norris. Motion carried 6-0. YES- Norris Gerdes-Hibschi Hoselton Kinate Weber Slagel

Public Comment – None

Reports of Departments –

Street – Martin Steidinger, Superintendent – None

Sewer – Frank McPherson, Superintendent – None

Water – Duane Ifft, Superintendent – None

Police – Mark Travis, Chief – report included in packet

City/Fire – Leroy McPherson, Superintendent/Chief – None

Legal – Paul Mason, City Attorney – None

Reports of Aldermen –

Alderman Gary Norris – no report

Alderman Nancy Gerdes-Hibschi – reported she’d been approached by someone wanting to buy the Langstaff property; she commented on the wonderful addition of Fairbury Rocks – says it’s nice to see families and people out in the community having such a great time.

Alderman Charlie Hoselton – no report

Alderman Jon Kinate – asked the Sewer Department for new developments regarding the Timber Ridge situation

Alderman Bruce Weber – stated he needs to schedule a meeting to discuss old city hall repairs

Alderman Jerry Hoffman – absent

Alderman David Slagel – no report

Alderman Terry Zimmerman – absent

Old Business –

Discussion/Action to consider a resolution to purchase a fire truck – Motion by Hoselton, second by Slagel to approve Resolution #2016-9-21 approving the purchase of a fire truck in the amount of \$524,000. Motion carried 6-0. YES- Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Slagel

Discussion/Action to consider a lease purchase for fire truck – Motion by Kinate, second by Hoselton to approve a lease purchase for the fire truck at 3.15% for 12 annual payments equaling \$51,577.42 per pay. Motion carried 6-0. YES- Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Slagel

Discussion/Action to consider tuck-pointing & window bids - tabled

Discussion/Action to consider the union contract - Motion by Slagel, second by Norris to approve the ICOPS Union contract for the Fairbury Police Department. Motion carried 6-0. YES- Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Slagel

Other Old Business – None

New Business –

Congratulations to Duane Ifft and the Water Department for receiving a Certificate of Commendation in recognition of achieving the highest standard of compliance for 13 years in accordance with the Illinois Fluoridation Act by the Division of Oral Health and the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency – Recognition given to Duane

Discussion/Action to consider not charging the Chamber rent – Motion by Slagel, second by Hoselton to waive the Chamber's rent for a year beginning January, 2017. Motion carried 6-0. YES- Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Slagel

Discussion/Action to consider hotel/motel findings - tabled

Discussion/Action to consider a request from Jan Ziegenhorn to attend the Chalkable Seminar (accounting software training) October 25th & 26th at the Marriott in Bloomington in the amount of \$298 plus expenses – Motion by Gerdes-Hibsch, second by

Slagel to approve Ziegenhorn's attendance. Motion carried 6-0. YES- Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Slagel

Discussion/Action to consider a request from Jan Ziegenhorn to attend the Illinois Municipal Treasurer's Association Institute November 13th through 17th in Bloomington in the amount of \$310 plus expenses – Motion by Slagel, second by Weber to approve Ziegenhorn's attendance. Motion carried 6-0. YES- Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Slagel

Discussion/Action to consider the purchase of a Hurco Valve Exerciser from Key Equipment in the amount of \$21,832 - tabled

Discussion/Action to consider requests from Frank McPherson, Leroy McPherson and Brad Duncan to attend the IL Assoc of Water Pollution Control Operators 78th Annual Fall Conference on October 19, 2016, at a cost of \$40 per person – Motion by Kinate, second by Weber to approve. Motion carried 6-0. YES- Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Slagel

Discussion/Action to consider a request from Mr. Beyers to paint Huey the Hawk footprints on N. 7th Street – Motion by Weber, second by Slagel to approve. Motion carried 6-0. YES- Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Slagel

Discussion/Action to consider a request from Mrs. Pilgrim parade route – Motion by Weber, second by Gerdes-Hibsch to approve. Motion carried 6-0. YES- Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Slagel

Discussion/Action to consider hiring 2 full-time Police Officers – action taken after closed session

Discussion/Action to consider a payment to Farnsworth Group in the amount of \$122,106.59 for the Combined Sewer Long Term Control Plan Phase II – Motion by Slagel, second by Gerdes-Hibsch to approve the payment. Motion carried 6-0. YES- Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Slagel

Discussion/Action to consider going out to bid to clean all carpeting at City Hall – Motion by Slagel, second by Kinate. Motion carried 6-0. YES- Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Slagel

Discussion/Action to approve sidewalk requests – Motion by Slagel, second by Kinate to approve a sidewalk request for 545 S. 5th Street for 216 sq ft @ \$1.75 per sq ft for a total of \$378. Motion carried 6-0. YES- Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Slagel

Discussion Overtime Report - shared

Public Comment - none

Other New Business –

Personnel – Section 2 (c)(1) – Employee hiring, firing, compensation, discipline and performance. (Note: An independent contractor is not an employee.)

Motion by: Slagel @ 7:12 p.m. Second: Norris

Motion by to enter Open Session: Slagel @ 7:22 Second: Norris

Action from Executive Session – Motion by Weber, second by Hoselton to approve the hiring of Andrew Hartman, Ryan Lehner and Cody Followell as full-time Fairbury Police Officers. Motion carried 6-0. YES- Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Slagel

Adjournment – Motion by Slagel, second by Kinate to adjourn at 7:33 p.m.

Nancy Widlacki, City Clerk

**City of Fairbury
City Council Minutes – October 5, 2016
6:30 p.m. - Fairbury City Hall**

1. **Call to order** – Mayor Dameron called the meeting to order.
2. **Mayor Dameron directed the Clerk to call roll and the following members of Council answered present:** Gary Norris, Nancy Gerdes-Hibsch, Charles Hoselton, Jon Kinate, Bruce Weber, Jerry Hoffman and David Slagel. Terry Zimmerman was absent.
3. **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**
4. **Motion to approve the use of Consent Agendas** – Motion by Slagel, second by Kinate. Motion carried 7-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel
5. **Motion to approve the Consent Agenda** – Motion by Slagel, second by Gerdes-Hibsch to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:
 - A. Minutes from September 21, 2016, council meeting
 - B. Board Report listing the bills

Items C and D will be presented at the second meeting of the month.

 - E. None

Motion carried 7-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel
6. **Mayor Dameron opened Public Comment and the following persons provided comments:**
 - ⇒ GLCEDC CEO Adam Dontz
7. **Reports of Departments**
 - Street Superintendent Steidinger reported-
 - Several street signs are bad – he would like to obtain a quote from Hall Signs to replace them,
 - Street Department needs a new garage door at an approximate replacement cost of \$3,200; an opener would be an additional \$1,800.
 - Sewer Superintendent McPherson was absent
 - Chief of Police Travis' report included in council packet
 - No other departments reported
8. **Reports of Aldermen**
 - Alderwoman Gerdes-Hibsch, Chair of Water & Sewer Committee, made a recommendation to purchase a Valve Turner & GPS unit based on a recent committee meeting.
 - No other reports received
9. **Items Removed from Consent Agenda** – None
10. **Old Business**
 - A. Motion by Slagel, second by Norris to amend Pay Ordinance #2016-2 for Police Officers as presented in 2016-2019 ICOPS Union Contract. Motion carried 7-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel

B. Motion by Kinate, second by Slagel to purchase a Hurco Valve Exerciser from Key Equipment in the amount of \$21,382. Motion carried 7-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsches Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel

B. Valve Star G5 in the amount of \$6,470 - TABLED

C. Motion by Weber, second by Kinate to award the tuck-pointing bid for sills only to JJ Braker & Sons in the amount of \$9,200. Motion carried 7-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsches Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel

C. Window bids for old City Hall – TABLED

11. New Business

A. Scheduled a Civic & Industrial Committee meeting for Tuesday, October 11, 2016 @ 6 p.m. to discuss hotel feasibility study

B. 2015-2016 Audit was presented by Dawn Carlson of Sulaski & Webb Certified Public Accountants

C. Overtime report – shared

D. Motion by Weber, second by Kinate to purchase a new chlorine head from Sidener Environmental Services in the amount of \$1,586.95. Motion carried 7-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsches Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel

12. Other Items for Discussion & Information - None

➤ **Public Comment - None**

14. Adjournment – Motion by Slagel, second by Kinate to adjourn at 7:08 p.m.

Nancy Widlacki, City Clerk

City of Fairbury
City Council Minutes – October 19, 2016
6:30 p.m. - Fairbury City Hall

1. **Call to order** – Mayor Dameron called the meeting to order.
2. **Mayor Dameron directed the Clerk to call roll and the following members of Council answered present:** Gary Norris, Nancy Gerdes-Hibsch, Charles Hoselton, Jon Kinate, Bruce Weber, Jerry Hoffman, David Slagel and Terry Zimmerman.
3. **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**
4. **Motion to approve the Consent Agenda** – Motion by Slagel, second by Kinate to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:
 - A. Minutes from October 5, 2016, council meeting
 - B. Board Report listing the bills
 - C. Treasurer’s Cash Report for September, 2016
 - D. Check Register for September, 2016
 - E. A sidewalk request for 200 sq ft @ \$1.75/sq ft totaling \$350 at 209 N Webster

Motion carried 8-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman
5. **Mayor Dameron opened Public Comment and the following persons provided comments:**
 - ⇒ Fairbury resident Brenda DeFries
6. **Reports of Departments**
 - Street Superintendent Steidinger reported-
 - He would like to get at least 20 trees planted this fall,
 - Several lights are out at North Park. The current lights are sodium that has a soft yellow color; they work on transformers that are going bad. The lights can be replaced with LEDs which is a white light; soft-white lights are not available. LED lights would be very cost-effective. The council instructed Steidinger to try one or two LED lights to see how the public reacts to a brighter light.
 - Sewer Superintendent McPherson was absent
 - Water Superintendent Ifft was absent
 - Chief of Police Travis’ report included in council packet
 - City Superintendent McPherson reported –
 - He provided the council with copies of the tax levy for informational purposes
 - City Attorney Mason was absent
7. **Reports of Aldermen**
 - No reports
8. **Items Removed from Consent Agenda** – None
9. **Old Business – Discussion/Action Items**
 - A. Consideration of window bids for old City Hall – TABLED
10. **New Business – Discussion/Action Items**
 - A. Motion by Weber, second by Norris to accept the only bid received for carpet cleaning

by Rabe's Carpet Cleaning in the amount of \$756.12. Motion carried 8-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

- B. Scheduled a Finance Committee meeting for Tuesday, October 25, 2016, @ 6 p.m.
- C. Consideration of an article for the Discover Magazine – TABLED
- D. Consideration of An Intergovernmental Agreement to Establish A Joint 9-1-1 Authority Known As The Vermillion Valley Regional Emergency Communications Authority – to be discussed in Executive Session
- E. Consideration of a Contract for Police Services with the Village of Forrest – to be discussed in Executive Session
- F. Overtime Report - shared

11. Other Items for Discussion & Information – None

12. Public Comment – None

13. Collective Bargaining – Section 2(c)(2) – Collective negotiating matters and deliberations concerning salary schedules -

Motion by: Slagel @ 6:46 p.m. Second: Zimmerman

Motion by to enter Open Session: Slagel @ 7:00 p.m. Second: Kinate

Action from Executive Session –

- ◆ Motion by Slagel, second by Kinate to approve An Intergovernmental Agreement to Establish A Joint 9-1-1 Authority Known As The Vermillion Valley Regional Emergency Communications Authority. Motion carried 8-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman
- ◆ Motion by Slagel, second by Zimmerman to approve a Contract for Police Services with the Village of Forrest as presented with a change in the 6th paragraph by replacing "officer" with "services". Motion carried 8-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

14. Adjournment – Motion by Slagel, second by Norris @ 7:03 p.m.

Nancy Widlacki, City Clerk

City of Fairbury
City Council Minutes – November 2, 2016
6:30 p.m. - Fairbury City Hall

1. **Call to order** – Mayor Dameron called the meeting to order.
2. **Mayor Dameron directed the Clerk to call roll and the following members of Council answered present:** Gary Norris, Nancy Gerdes-Hibsch, Charles Hoselton, Jon Kinate, Bruce Weber and Jerry Hoffman. David Slagel and Terry Zimmerman were absent.
3. **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**
4. **Motion to approve the Consent Agenda** – Motion by Kinate, second by Gerdes-Hibsch to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:
 - A. Minutes from October 19, 2016, council meeting
 - B. Board Report listing the bills

Motion carried 6-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman
5. **Mayor Dameron opened Public Comment and the following persons provided comments:**
 - ⇒ No comments
6. **Reports of Departments**
 - Street Superintendent Steidinger reported-
 - Several city-owned garbage cans on Locust Street are falling apart; replacements cost \$600 each
 - Sewer Superintendent McPherson was absent
 - Water Superintendent Ifft reported –
 - Check Valve has been delivered and is installed on well #2
 - Chief of Police Travis' report included in council packet
 - City Superintendent McPherson reported – no report
 - City Attorney Mason – no report
7. **Reports of Aldermen**
 - No reports
8. **Items Removed from Consent Agenda** – None
9. **Old Business – Discussion/Action Items**
 - B. Motion by Hoselton, second by Gerdes-Hibsch to approve buyback of sick days and to give Christmas gifts to all employees; \$50 to part-time and \$100 to full-time employees. Motion carried 6-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman
 - C. Consideration of an article for Discover Magazine - TABLED
10. **New Business – Discussion/Action Items**
 - G. Consideration of a generator purchase for the water plant – TABLED
 - H. Motion by Hoselton, second by Norris to hire Logan Krippel as a full-time employee for

the Street Department. Motion carried 6-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman

- I. Test Bore Well Logs for Water Research – shared
 - J. Abate Fire Department bonds – TABLED
 - K. Motion by Kinate, second by Gerdes-Hibsch to approve the bid from Hall Signs in the amount of \$1,891.11 for street signs. Motion carried 6-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman
 - L. Overtime Report - shared
- 11. Other Items for Discussion & Information – None**
- 12. Public Comment –**
- ⇒ Wayne Varner shared suggestions about what to do with old street signs
 - ⇒ Diane Pawlowski shared an opinion about the old street signs
- 13. Executive Session -**
- A. Real Estate Purchase – Section 2(c)(5) – Includes general discussion of whether land should be purchased or leased by the public body.**
- Motion by: Kinate @ 6:42 p.m. Second: Gerdes-Hibsch**
- Motion by to enter Open Session: Weber @ 6:53 p.m. Second: Norris**
- Action from Executive Session – None**
- 14. Adjournment – Motion by Norris, second by Kinate @ 6:53 p.m.**

Nancy Widlacki, City Clerk

City of Fairbury
City Council Minutes – November 16, 2016
6:30 p.m. - Fairbury City Hall

1. **Call to order** – Mayor Dameron called the meeting to order.
2. **Mayor Dameron directed the Clerk to call roll and the following members of Council answered present:** Gary Norris, Nancy Gerdes-Hibsch, Charles Hoselton, Jon Kinate, Bruce Weber, Jerry Hoffman, David Slagel, and Terry Zimmerman
3. **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**
4. **Motion to approve the Consent Agenda** – Motion by Kinate, second by Slagel to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:
 - A. Minutes from October 19, 2016, council meeting
 - B. Board Report listing the bills
 - C. Treasurer’s Cash Report for October, 2016
 - D. Check Register for October, 2016
 - E. None

Motion carried 8-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman
5. **Mayor Dameron opened Public Comment and the following persons provided comments:**
 - ⇒ No comments
6. **Reports of Departments**
 - Street Superintendent Steidinger – no report
 - Sewer Superintendent McPherson was absent
 - Water Superintendent Ifft reported –
 - Water Department replaced a deteriorating fire hydrant and has another one to replace
 - Chief of Police Travis’ report included in council packet
 - City Superintendent McPherson reported –
 - Restrooms at North Park will be closing soon
 - City Attorney Mason – no report
7. **Reports of Aldermen**
 - Alderwoman Gerdes-Hibsch reported results from a recent Water & Sewer Committee meeting that will require action later in the meeting
 - Alderman Slagel asked for clarification about garbage can replacements on Locust Street
 - No other reports received
8. **Items Removed from Consent Agenda** – None
9. **Old Business – Discussion/Action Items**
 - D. Motion by Gerdes-Hibsch, second by Zimmerman to accept a bid from Popejoy Plumbing & Heating in the amount of \$93,345.00 for the purchase of a Kohler 200kw,120/240 volt, 3-phase standby generator with a Kohler 600 amp automatic transfer switch. Motion carried 7-1. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber

Slagel Zimmerman. NO-Hoffman

- E. Motion by Slagel, second by Kinate to purchase article space in the Discover Illinois Magazine at a cost of \$1,800.00. Motion carried 8-0. Yes-Norris Gerdes-Hibsches Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman
- F. Motion by Weber, second by Norris to approve Ordinance #2016-10 amending Chapter 7, Section .15, Peddlers, of the municipal code of the City of Fairbury. Motion carried 8-0. Yes-Norris Gerdes-Hibsches Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

10. New Business – Discussion/Action Items

- M. Consideration of a resolution to abate the fire department bonds – **TABLED**
- N. Motion by Kinate, second by Weber to approve a bid in the amount of \$109.38 per month from Marco for the lease of a copy machine in the Police Department. Motion carried 8-0. Yes-Norris Gerdes-Hibsches Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman
- O. Motion by Hoselton, second by Slagel to purchase a 40” wide storage unit for the Police Department Evidence Room from White Distribution in the amount of \$641.43. Motion carried 8-0. Yes-Norris Gerdes-Hibsches Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman
- P. Consideration of a request to vacate a utility easement – **TABLED**
- Q. Consideration of a request to annex to the City – **TABLED**
- R. Motion by Kinate, second by Slagel to accept a bid from Hall Signs in the amount of \$2,733.11 to purchase street signs. Motion carried 8-0. Yes-Norris Gerdes-Hibsches Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman
- S. Overtime Report - shared

11. Other Items for Discussion & Information

- A. Motion by Weber, second by Slagel to appoint Chief Travis to the Vermillion Valley Regional Emergency Communications Authority Board and Officer Vedder as an alternate. Motion carried 8-0. Yes-Norris Gerdes-Hibsches Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman
- B. Mayor Dameron extended the City’s condolences to the family of Don Faw, former Street Superintendent for the City of Fairbury, on his recent passing

12. Public Comment – None

13. Executive Session – Did not enter Executive Session

14. Adjournment – Motion by Weber, second by Norris @ 7:12 p.m.

Nancy Widlacki, City Clerk

City of Fairbury
City Council Minutes – December 7, 2016
6:30 p.m. - Fairbury City Hall

1. **Call to order** – Mayor Dameron called the meeting to order.
2. **Mayor Dameron directed the Clerk to call roll and the following members of Council answered present:** Gary Norris, Nancy Gerdes-Hibsch, Charles Hoselton, Jon Kinate, Bruce Weber, Jerry Hoffman, David Slagel, and Terry Zimmerman.
3. **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**
4. **Motion to approve the Consent Agenda** – Motion by Kinate, second by Slagel to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:
 - A. Minutes from November 16th and November 30, 2016 council meetings.
 - B. Board Report listing the bills

Motion carried 8-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman
5. **Mayor Dameron opened Public Comment and the following persons provided comments:**
 - ⇒ No comments
6. **Reports of Departments**
 - Street Superintendent Steidinger was absent
 - Sewer Superintendent McPherson was absent
 - Water Superintendent Ifft no report
 - Chief of Police Travis' report included in council packet
 - City Superintendent/Fire Chief McPherson reported –
 - The lights are off at North Park
 - A fireman has requested to attend FFII classes
 - City Attorney Mason was absent
7. **Reports of Aldermen**
 - No reports
8. **Items Removed from Consent Agenda** – None
9. **Old Business – Discussion/Action Items**
 - A. Consideration of window bids for old City Hall - **TABLED**
10. **New Business – Discussion/Action Items**
 - A. Motion by Kinate, second by Zimmerman to approve the 2017 meeting schedule. Motion carried 8-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman
 - B. Motion by Hoffman, second by Norris to approve Resolution #2016-12-7A Regulating Travel Expenses pursuant to Public Act 099-0604. Motion carried 8-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman
 - C. Motion by Kinate, second by Gerdes-Hibsch to approve Resolution #2016-12-7B to Appoint Freedom Of Information Officer(s) as the City Clerk. Motion carried 8-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

- D. Motion by Kinate, second by Hoffman to approve Resolution #2016-12-7C to Appoint Open Meetings Act Compliance Officer(s) as the City Clerk. Motion carried 8-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman
- E. Consideration of a request install a street light at Jackson Street and 900 North Road – **TABLED**
- F. Motion by Hoselton, second by Zimmerman to make a donation to the Fairbury Food Pantry using gaming funds in the amount of \$1,800. Motion carried 7-1. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Zimmerman. NO-Slagel
- G. Motion by Slagel, second by Kinate to approve Ordinance #2016-12, Chapter 5, Section A, .04 of the Municipal Code Book of the City of Fairbury reducing reconnection fees to \$25 per occurrence. Motion carried 8-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman
- H. Motion by Gerdes-Hibsch, second by Zimmerman to approve Ordinance #2016-13 for the levy and Assessment Of Taxes For The Fiscal Year Ending April 30, 2016. Motion carried 8-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman
- I. FYI – Year 2 Institute results for Nancy Widlacki - **SHARED**
- J. Overtime Report - **SHARED**
- 11. Other Items for Discussion & Information**
- This section includes items received after the required posting of 48 hours prior to the start of the meeting.*
- Mayor Dameron shared correspondence received from Mediacom regarding a rate increase
- 12. Public Comment:**
- Diane Pawlowski asked for clarification on who was appointed as the Open Meetings Act Compliance Officer
 - Diane Pawlowski asked about the process of closing an open session to enter executive session and if it's recorded in the minutes.
- 13. Executive Session –**
- A. Personnel – Section 2(c)(1) – Employee hiring, firing, compensation, discipline and performance. (Note: An independent contractor is not an employee.)**
 - B. Purchase or Lease of Real Estate – Section 2(c)(5) – Includes general discussion of whether land should be purchased or leased by the public body.**
 - C. Sale or Lease of Real Estate – Section 2(c)(6) – Limited to actual setting of price for sale or lease of public property.**
- Motion by Slagel, second by Weber to enter Executive Session @ 6:57 p.m.**
- Motion by Weber, second by Slagel to enter Open Session @ 7:44 p.m.**
- Action from Executive Session - None**
- 14. Adjournment – Motion by Weber, second by Hoffman @ 8:03 p.m.**

Nancy Widlacki, City Clerk

City of Fairbury
City Council Minutes – December 21, 2016
6:30 p.m. - Fairbury City Hall

1. **Call to order** – Mayor Dameron called the meeting to order.
2. **Mayor Dameron directed the Clerk to call roll and the following members of Council answered present:** Gary Norris, Nancy Gerdes-Hibsich, Charles Hoselton, Jon Kinate, Bruce Weber, Jerry Hoffman, David Slagel, and Terry Zimmerman.
3. **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**
4. **Motion to approve the Consent Agenda** – Motion by Slagel, second by Norris to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:
 - C. Minutes from December 7, 2016
 - A. Board Report listing the bills
 - B. Treasurer’s Cash Report for November, 2016
 - C. Check Register for November, 2016
 - D. None

Motion carried 8-0. YES-Norris Gerdes-Hibsich Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman
5. **Mayor Dameron opened Public Comment and the following persons provided comments:**
 - ⇒ No comments
6. **Reports of Departments**
 - Street Superintendent Steidinger reported
 - New truck is in; he’d like to put the old truck out for bids to sell
 - He’ll salvage what he can but a good amount of old hardware on the street signs is rusted out and needs to be replaced at a cost of \$500 to \$600. Council instructed him to get the hardware ordered so his department can proceed with installing new street signs.
 - He reminded everyone not to double-park (on both sides of the street) on city streets during snowfall.
 - Sewer Superintendent McPherson reported
 - Needs a new penetrating nozzle for the jet-vac sewer cleaning machine
 - Water Superintendent Ifft was absent
 - Chief of Police Travis’ report included in council packet
 - City Superintendent/Fire Chief McPherson reported –
 - Thanked Martin and crew for the great job cleaning the streets after the recent snow/ice storm
 - Thanked Duane for a job well done with only one main break during the subzero temperatures
 - City Attorney Mason – no report
7. **Reports of Aldermen**
 - Alderman Norris echoed Superintendent McPherson’s comments to the City crews on the great jobs they did

→ Alderman Hoffman reported on a GLCEDC seminar he attended on being progressive as a council. The instructor has offered it free of charge to our council

8. Items Removed from Consent Agenda – None

9. Old Business – Discussion/Action Items

- B.** Consideration of a street light at Jackson St and 900 North Rd_- **TABLED**

10. New Business – Discussion/Action Items

- A.** FYI – Funds received for Year 2 Institute – **SHARED**

- B.** Consideration of a resignation letter – Shared a resignation letter from Brad Duncan

- C.** FYI – Change of address of a local liquor establishment - **SHARED**

- D.** Consideration of a quote from Superior Details Auto Detailing in the amount of \$175 to remove police department decals and buff the exterior of 2013 Ford Explorer and clean the interior – Motion by Hoselton, second by Kinate to accept the quote. Motion carried 8-0.
Norris Gerdes-Hibsch Hoselton Kinate Weber Hoffman Slagel Zimmerman

- E.** Overtime Report - **SHARED**

11. Other Items for Discussion & Information
None

<i>This section includes items received after the required posting of 48 hours prior to the start of the meeting.</i>

12. Public Comment

None

13. Executive Session –

- D. Personnel – Section 2(c)(1) – Employee hiring, firing, compensation, discipline and performance. (Note: An independent contractor is not an employee.)**

- E. Purchase or Lease of Real Estate – Section 2(c)(5) – Includes general discussion of whether land should be purchased or leased by the public body.**

- F. Sale or Lease of Real Estate – Section 2(c)(6) – Limited to actual setting of price for sale or lease of public property.**

Motion by Slagel, second by Kinate to enter Executive Session @ 6:49 p.m.

Motion by Weber, second by Zimmerman to enter Open Session @ 7:36 p.m.

Action from Executive Session - None

14. Adjournment – Motion by Slagel, second by Kinate @ 7:38 p.m.

Nancy Widlacki, City Clerk