

WEST FRANKFORT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, APRIL 26, 2016

1. MAYOR JORDAN CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M. REQUESTING A ROLL CALL. ALL COMMISSIONERS WERE IN ATTENDANCE, ALONG WITH THE CITY ATTORNEY AND CITY CLERK.
2. MAYOR JORDAN ASKED FOR APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE APRIL 12, 2016 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING. COMMISSIONER HARKINS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SIMPSON. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.
3. MAYOR JORDAN NEXT ASKED FOR APPROVAL TO PAY CITY BILLS AND PAYROLL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$196,037.53. COMMISSIONER SIMPSON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.
4. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO ADOPT AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A BUDGET FOR CORPORATE PURPOSES FOR THE CITY OF WEST FRANKFORT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING ON THE FIRST DAY OF MAY, 2016 AND ENDING ON THE LAST DAY OF APRIL, 2017. THE MAYOR STATED WE HAD A PUBLIC HEARING AT 6:00 THIS EVENING. THE BUDGET WAS ON DISPLAY AND WE HAVE A STACK OF COPIES OVER THERE ON THE TABLE IF ANYBODY WOULD LIKE ONE. COMMISSIONER SIMPSON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HARKINS. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.
5. THE NEXT ITEM WAS DISCUSSION, WITH POSSIBLE ACTION, REGARDING FAÇADE IMPROVEMENT GRANT APPLICATIONS. THE MAYOR STATED WE HAVE A FAÇADE IMPROVEMENT GRANT APPLICATION FROM THE OWNER OF THE YADRO BUILDING HIS NAME IS ROBERT BARNETT. HE IS FROM ELKVILLE YOU MIGHT HAVE SEEN THAT HE HAS BEEN DOING SOME WORK UP THERE. HE IS GOING TO CLEAN THE BRICK, PAINT AND REPLACE THE SIGNS. THE APPLICATION DOES NOT HAVE AN AMOUNT ON THERE THIS IS ONGOING. IF THE COUNCIL WOULD LIKE TO TABLE THIS MATTER UNTIL NEXT MEETING WE CAN DO THAT OR WE CAN VOTE ON PAYING 50% OF WHATEVER COST HE BRINGS US NOT TO EXCEED

\$2,500. COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS STATED SHE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW WHAT THE SIGN IS GOING TO LOOK LIKE BEFORE WE APPROVE IT. THE MAYOR STATED THIS MATTER IS TABLED UNTIL WE HAVE PICTURES OF THE SIGNS AND SOME DETAILED PRICES ON THE COST OF WHAT HE IS DOING. THIS MATTER WAS TABLED.

6. THE NEXT ITEM WAS DISCUSSION, WITH POSSIBLE ACTION, REGARDING PROPOSED WATER/SEWER RATE INCREASE. THE MAYOR STATED IT HAS BEEN A WHILE SINCE WE HAVE DONE ANY KIND OF A RAISE ON THE WATER, SEWER AND TRASH RATES. THE PROPOSAL THAT WE HAVE BEFORE US IS BASICALLY ON THE TRASH PICK UP WE ARE CHARGING TEN DOLLARS A HOUSE. WE ARE GOING TO INCREASE THAT TO ELEVEN DOLLARS. THE WATER RATE FOR THE FIRST THOUSAND GALLONS WILL NOT CHANGE. THE RATE IS GOING TO RISE FOR THE 2ND THOUSAND GALLON THERE WILL BE A \$.25 INCREASE PER THOUSAND GALLON AND \$.75 PER THOUSAND GALLON INCREASE ON SEWER. IF YOU WILL NOTICE WE HAVE THE MAJORITY OF OUR USERS WILL SEE THEIR BILL RISE FIVE DOLLARS OR LESS. WE HAVE A COMPARISON RATE TO OTHER COMMUNITIES THE COMPARISON WE DID WAS ON 3000 GALLONS OF WATER. THE COST IN BENTON FOR 3000 GALLONS OF WATER WOULD BE \$46.79. HARRISBURG'S COST IS \$40.24, HERRIN \$44.10, MARION \$35.56 BUT THEY HAVE RAISED THEIR RATES SINCE WE GOT THE LIST. MT.VERNON IS \$48.58, WEST CITY \$38.40 AND OUR RATE WITH THE INCREASE IS LOWER THAN ALL OF THE COMMUNITIES. OUR RATE IS \$33.65. WE WILL PROBABLY BE RAISING THESE AGAIN NEXT YEAR. THESE ARE THE PROPOSED INCREASES THAT WE HAVE. COMMISSIONER SIMPSON STATED A COUPLE YEARS AGO WE RAISED THE RATES AND AT THE TIME WE RAISED THE RATES TO TAKE OFF THE SEWER CHARGE THAT WAS ON THERE. WE WERE AWARE AT THAT TIME THAT WE WOULD HAVE TO RAISE THEM IN THE FUTURE TO ACCOMMODATE THE INCREASE COST IN OUR WATER SYSTEM. THE OTHER THING IS ON OUR TRASH AMOUNT WE CURRENTLY ARE LOSING MONEY BECAUSE WE ARE CHARGING LESS THAN WHAT WE ARE PAYING BULLDOG. WHEN WE SIGNED THAT CONTRACT LAST YEAR WE KNEW WE WERE GOING TO HAVE TO RAISE THE RATES. I BELIEVE THIS TRASH AMOUNT INCREASE WILL STILL NOT COVER THE COST BUT IN A THREE YEAR PERIOD WE WILL RECOVER THE COST. COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS STATED PART OF THE INCREASE WITH THE TRASH COMPANY IS THE FACT THEY WILL PICK ANYTHING UP CURBSIDE. COMMISSIONER SIMPSON STATED THIS WILL BE A ONE YEAR INCREASE

OR IS THIS SET UP TO BE THIS INCREASE EVERY YEAR FOR THE NEXT THREE YEARS? THE MAYOR STATED IF YOU WANT TO DO THAT IN THE FORM OF A MOTION THAT IS OKAY WITH ME. THIS WAS CALCULATED OVER 2016, 2017, 2018 AND 2019. COMMISSIONER SIMPSON STATED WE NEED TO IMPLEMENT THIS INCREASE OVER THE NEXT THREE YEARS. THIS WOULD BE THE INCREASE MAY 1ST, 2016 THROUGH APRIL 30TH, 2017. AND THEN A SIMILAR INCREASE ONE JUST LIKE IT TO TAKE EFFECT MAY 1ST, 2017 AND SAME ONE MAY 1ST, 2018. THE CITY ATTORNEY STATE DISCUSSION IS OKAY ON THIS ISSUE BUT ANY ACTION WILL HAVE TO BE POSTPONED UNTIL IT WAS SET FORTH ON THE AGENDA. THE MAYOR STATED THIS IS STRICTLY DISCUSSION I THINK THIS IS GOOD BECAUSE IT WILL GIVE TIME TO HAVE PEOPLE WEIGH IN ON THIS. THE PROPOSAL THAT WE ARE DISCUSSING IS \$.25 ON THE WATER AND \$.75 ON THE SEWER. WE ARE GOING TO BE BUILDING A NEW SEWER PLANT; WE ARE MOVING IT AND UPGRADING IT. NEXT COUNCIL MEETING WE WILL PUT THIS BACK ON THE AGENDA AND GET COMMISSIONER BLADES OPINION ON THIS. COMMISSIONER BLADES STATED OUR SEWER LINES ARE ABOUT 100 YEARS OLD.

7. THE NEXT ITEM WAS DISCUSSION, WITH POSSIBLE ACTION, REGARDING AMENDING THE LIQUOR LICENSE ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH GAMING WITH LIMITED LIQUOR ACCESS. THE MAYOR STATED I PUT THIS ON HERE BECAUSE I AM THE CITY'S LIQUOR COMMISSIONER AND WE HAVE 4 OR 5 REQUEST THAT WE HAVE RECEIVED IN THE LAST COUPLE OF MONTHS FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE INTERESTED IN GAMING. WE HAVE HAD REQUESTS OF PEOPLE THAT WANT TO BUILD GAMING PARLORS OR CONVERT A BUILDING INTO A GAMING PARLOR. WE HAVE PEOPLE WHO WANT TO EXPAND THEIR BUSINESS TO INCLUDE GAMING. THE STATE OF ILLINOIS TOOK OVER VIDEO GAMING AND THEY MADE IT AVAILABLE. THEY DECIDED THAT THEY WANTED TO LIMIT ACCESS TO GAMING AND THEY DID THAT BY ACQUIRING A POUR LIQUOR LICENSE. YOU CAN NOT BE IN A TAVERN OR A BAR IF YOU ARE UNDER THE AGE OF 21. BY DOING THAT THEY FELT LIKE THEY WOULD LIMIT THE ACCESS OF YOUTH TO THE GAMING PARLORS. WE CURRENTLY HAVE 7 GAMING LICENSES IN TOWN. THE ONLY WAY WE CAN STOP SOMEONE FROM GETTING GAMING IS TO NOT GIVE THEM A POUR LICENSE. WE FOUND THAT OUT WHEN THE EVENT CENTER WAS PUTTING GAMING MACHINES IN. WE TOLD THEM THEY NEEDED A PERMIT. THEY SAID THE STATE OF IL HAS ALREADY APPROVED IT ALL THEY NEEDED TO DO WAS PAY FOR THE PERMIT AND WE COULDN'T STOP THEM FROM GETTING IT. THAT IS

WHY WE HAVE TO LIMIT THE NUMBER OF LICENSES. THIS IS A DECISION THAT I DON'T FEEL LIKE I SHOULD MAKE BY MYSELF BECAUSE I AM NOT A BIG GAMBLER. I WOULD LIKE TO TALK ABOUT THIS TOPIC AND A COUPLE OF THINGS THAT I FEEL THIS IS JUST DISCUSSION THIS WILL GO ON ANOTHER AGENDA TO BE VOTED ON. WE HAVE BUSINESSES THAT WANT TO EXPAND AND MAKE A SIGNIFICANT INVESTMENT IN OUR COMMUNITY TO UPGRADE THEIR BUSINESS. THEY ALREADY HAVE PACKAGED LIQUOR SALES AND THEY HAVE REQUESTED THAT MAYBE WE WOULD GIVE THEM A LIMITED POUR LICENSE THAT WOULD GIVE THEM JUST THE ACCESS TO THE GAMING AND THEY WOULD NOT BE A BAR THEY WOULDN'T BE A CLUB. THEY WOULD BE A PACKAGED LIQUOR STORE WITH A SEPARATE ROOM ATTACHED FOR GAMING WITH A POUR LICENSE JUST FOR THAT ROOM AND IT WOULD BE A LIMITED AMOUNT THAT THEY WOULD POUR. THEY WOULD BE WILLING TO SPEND A MILLION DOLLARS TO UPGRADE THEIR BUILDING OR BRING IN A BUSINESS THAT IS GOING TO HAVE A NEW LICENSE. MY QUESTION IS IF SOMEONE WHO IS HERE CURRENTLY FEEL THIS GAMING WOULD HELP THEM BE SUCCESSFUL AND HAVE BEEN A BUSINESS IN OUR COMMUNITY FOR YEARS AND WOULD LIKE TO EXPAND THEIR BUSINESS DO WE ALLOW IT OR DO WE NOT? AS FAR AS GAMING PARLORS GO, I AM NOT INCLINED TO BE IN FAVOR OF GAMING PARLORS JUST TO HAVE A GAMBLING PLACE BECAUSE I DO THINK THAT WILL DETRACT FROM THE SEVEN GAMING OPERATIONS THAT ARE ALREADY CURRENTLY HERE. I KNOW A LOT OF THESE CLUBS AND BARS DEPEND ON THAT REVENUE TO SURVIVE AND I DON'T WANT TO HURT THEM. THE NEXT QUESTION IS ABOUT SUNDAY LIQUOR SALES. WE GET COMPLAINTS FROM SOME OF THE RESTAURANTS THAT SAY THE LIQUOR STORES SELL PACKAGED LIQUOR FROM 1-6 P.M. ON SUNDAY SO WHY CAN'T WE SERVE IT IN THE RESTAURANT. I HAVE DONE SOME RESEARCH ON THIS AND MT. VERNON HAS A SEPARATE LICENSE FOR SUNDAY SALES THE COST IS \$500 A YEAR. I HAVE BEEN LOOKING OVER HERRIN, MARION & MT. VERNONS LIQUOR ORDINANCES IF ANYBODY WOULD LIKE TO SEE THEM. COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS STATED DOES THE STATE SET THE RULES AS TO THE SEPARATION BETWEEN THE BUSINESS AND WHERE THE VIDEO GAMING IS OR ARE WE GOING BY THEIR WORD THAT THEY WILL MAKE IT SEPARATED. THE MAYOR STATED UNDER THE NEW GAMING LAW I THINK THEY HAVE TO HAVE A SEPARATE ROOM. IN A BAR WHERE EVERYBODY IS 21 THEY CAN HAVE JUST A ROPE ACROSS THE GAMING AREA. IF YOU ARE IN A FACILITY THAT IS SELLING MILK AND BREAD THEN THERE NEEDS TO BE A SEPARATE ROOM WITH A DOOR

AND SOMEONE THAT MAKES SURE NO ONE UNDER THE AGE OF 21 ENTERS. COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS STATED IF WE GIVE THEM A POUR LICENSE THEY WOULD BE UNDER THE STATES MANDATE ON COMPLYING WITH ALL THE RULES. THE MAYOR STATED YES YOU BRING UP A GREAT POINT. THE STATE GIVES THE GAMING LICENSE WE CHARGE \$25 PER MACHINE AND \$100 PER PERMIT. SOMEONE FROM THE AUDIENCE ASKED IF THERE HAS BEEN RESEARCH DONE IN OTHER TOWNS THAT HAVE COLLEGES? SUCH AS CARBONDALE OR U OF I. THE MAYOR STATED HE HAS NOT LOOKED INTO CARBONDALE. WHAT KIND OF IMPACT WILL THIS HAVE ON OUR COMMUNITY? HERRIN AND MT. VERNON HAVE LIMITED RETAIL GAMING THEY MONITOR IT VERY CLOSELY. COMMISSIONER BLADES STATED IF WE HAVE SOMEBODY WHO WANTS TO INVEST A MILLION DOLLARS IN OUR TOWN I WOULD GO FOR IT. COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS STATED SHE LIKES THE IDEA OF HAVING TWO DIFFERENT LICENSES. BECAUSE IF YOU GIVE IT TO AN ESTABLISHMENT AND IT BECOMES A PROBLEM YOU CAN STILL ALLOW THEIR PACKAGED LIQUOR AND NOT RENEW THEIR POUR LICENSE. IT WOULD GIVE US MORE CONTROL. WOULD THIS CHANGE WHAT THE DEFINITION OF WHAT OUR LIQUOR CATEGORIES ARE OR WOULD WE EXTEND THIS INDIVIDUALLY? COMMISSIONER SIMPSON STATED I THINK IF THEY HAVE A POUR LICENSE WHICH IS A CLASS A LICENSE OR CLASS C LICENSE THEN THEY FALL UNDER THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE STATE. WE CAN'T ALTER THAT AND SAY YOU GOT TO HAVE A DIFFERENT KIND OF LICENSE. IF THEY GOT THAT LICENSE IT IS A STATE LAW THEY HAVE THE RIGHT TO GAMING. DO WE WANT TO START PUTTING OTHER LICENSE IN THERE? WE HAVE 7 CLASS A LICENSE AUTHORIZED FOR BUSINESS. WHY DO WE WANT TO CREATE ANOTHER LICENSE TYPE FOR LIMITED POUR? IF THEY GET A POUR LICENSE AND THEY DON'T WANT TO POUR DRINKS IN THERE THAN THAT'S THEIR BUSINESS. THEY WOULD BE CLASS A. THE MAYOR STATED THE ORDINANCE THAT I HAVE HERE ALLOWS THE CITY TO HAVE SEVEN CLASS A LICENSES FOR TAVERNS WE ONLY HAVE FOUR. A CLASS B LICENSE IS PACKAGED LIQUOR. THERE IS A B1 LICENSE AN AMOUNT HAS NEVER BEEN SET FOR THAT YOU CAN SELL BEER AND WINE ONLY BUT IT IS IN THE ORDINANCE. A CLASS C IS A CLUB OR A FRATERNAL ORGANIZATION LIKE THE MOOSE & ELK'S. UNDER CLASS C THERE ARE FOUR AVAILABLE. CLASS D IS A LIQUOR LICENSE FOR A RESTAURANT AND WE HAVE 3 OF THEM WHICH ARE BELLA'S, LA FIESTA & OPIE'S. WE ALSO HAVE A D1 WHICH WOULD BE BEER AND WINE ONLY ON A RESTAURANT. WE ALSO HAVE A D2 WHICH IS A DANCE BAR LICENSE WE

DO NOT HAVE ANY OF THOSE BUT WE DO HAVE 1 SPOT. I JUST WANTED TO BRING THIS UP BECAUSE I BELIEVE THAT TRANSPARENCY IS THE KEY AND I NEVER WANT TO INJECT MY MORAL VALUES ON THE CITY. WE NEED TO BE RESPONSIBLE ABOUT WHAT WE DO AND AWARE OF WHAT WE REPRESENT. COMMISSIONER SIMPSON STATED ONE OF THE PROBLEMS WE ARE GOING TO HAVE TO ADDRESS IF WE ALLOW ONE PLACE TO DO IT. WE WILL HAVE EVERY GAS STATION AND CONVENIENCE STORE IN TOWN WANTING TO DO IT AND WE DON'T HAVE THAT MANY SPOTS. COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS STATED ON THE SUNDAY LIQUOR SALES ARE WE LOOKING AT JUST THE RESTAURANTS OR IS THAT FOR THE BARS AND EVERYBODY? THE MAYOR STATED CURRENTLY YOU CAN BUY PACKAGED LIQUOR FROM 1-6 ON SUNDAY THE BARS ARE CLOSED AND THE RESTAURANTS CANNOT SERVE LIQUOR ON SUNDAY. THE MAYOR STATED WE WILL BRING THIS BACK UP ON THE NEXT AGENDA.

8. THE NEXT ITEM WAS DISCUSSION REGARDING ILLINOIS TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM APPLICATION. MIKE ROBERTS STATED I JUST WANTED TO BRING THIS TO THE COUNCILS ATTENTION THAT IDOT IS SOLICITING A PROGRAM. THERE ARE NINE CATEGORIES THAT WE CAN CHOSE FROM AND THERE ARE TWO THAT WEST FRANKFORT WOULD BE ABLE TO SELECT. THE FIRST ONE BEING PEDESTRIAN OR BICYCLE FACILITIES OR A COMBINATION OF BOTH AND SCENIC BEAUTIFICATION. THE APPLICATION DATES BEGIN MAY 2ND AND RUN THROUGH JUNE. THE REASON I WANTED TO BRING IT TO YOUR ATTENTION IF YOU WANT TO DO AN APPLICATION WE NEED TO GET THAT STARTED. WE WILL WANT TO HAVE A PUBLIC HEARING THAT HELPS WITH SCHOOLING. THIS IS A VERY COMPETITIVE GRANT THEY GET WAY MORE APPLICATIONS THAN THERE IS FUNDS AVAILABLE. I WANTED TO BRING IT TO YOUR ATTENTION IF YOU HAVE ANY ELIGIBLE PROJECTS WE CAN GET IT SUBMITTED. THE MAYOR STATED WE PROBABLY NEED TO HAVE A PUBLIC HEARING FIRST THEN FIND OUT WHAT KIND OF INPUT WE GET FROM THE COMMUNITY. MAYBE WE CAN SCHEDULE THAT BEFORE THE NEXT COUNCIL MEETING. THIS IS A 62 PAGE APPLICATION PROCESS BUT LIKE YOU SAID A LOT OF IT WE AREN'T GOING TO DO. IT IS A GRANT APPLICATION IF WE GET THE MONEY THEY WILL PAY FOR THE UPGRADES. THIS IS SOMETHING WE NEED TO PUT OUR RESOURCES TO WORK ON. MIKE ROBERTS STATED STREET LIGHTING IS NOT FUNDED PEDESTRIAN LIGHTING IS FUNDED. THEY WONT REPLACE SIDEWALKS BECAUSE IT IS CONSIDERED MAINTENANCE. BUT NEW SIDEWALKS OR IMPROVING THEM TO THE ADA

STANDARDS THEY WILL. THE MAYOR STATED WE WILL BE TALKING TO YOU THAT WAY WE CAN SCHEDULE A PUBLIC HEARING ON THIS.

9. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF A PROPOSED NEW COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND LABORERS LOCAL 773/ DISPATCHERS TO COVER THE PERIOD OF MARCH 1, 2016 THROUGH FEBRUARY 28, 2019. THE MAYOR STATED IT IS A PROPOSAL OF CHANGES THEY WOULD LIKE TO HAVE. UNDER THE COMP TIME THEY CURRENTLY CAN HAVE 40 HOURS AND THEN BE PAID FOR IT. THEY WOULD LIKE TO HAVE 40 HOURS BUT NO MORE. THE PAY SCHEDULE STATES NEW HIRES TEN DOLLARS AN HOUR FOR 3 MONTHS UNLESS THEY HAVE EXPERIENCE FOR FULL AND PART TIME. THE BASE RATE IS \$16.77 AN HOUR WE ARE GOING TO HAVE A \$.25 CENT AN HOUR INCREASE AND THEN THERE IS A REOPENER FOR EVERY YEAR AFTER. THE BASE RATE FOR PART TIME DISPATCHERS WITH EXPERIENCE IS \$12 HOUR. THEY ALSO ADDED IF A FULL TIME PERSON GETS A RAISE THEY WOULD LIKE THE PART TIME EMPLOYEES TO GET THE RAISE AS WELL. COMMISSIONER SIMPSON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HARKINS. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.
10. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL FOR AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT WITH E.R. BROWN FURNITURE, INC. FOR TAX INCREMENT FINANCING REDEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT AND APPROVING TAX INCREMENT ALLOCATION FINANCING FOR THE BFJ INTERIORS PROJECT. THE MAYOR STATED E.R. BROWN HAS PURCHASED THE BFJ BUILDING. AS YOU CAN SEE THEY HAVE OUR ALLEY BLOCKED THEY HAVE BEEN TUCK POINTING. THEY HAD OVER \$26,000 WORTH OF REPAIR WORK THAT THEY WERE GOING TO DO ON A FAÇADE GRANT. THEY ARE GOING TO WORK ON THE FRONT OF IT. THIS IS A TIF AGREEMENT WHICH THE CITY WILL GIVE THEM A ONE TIME PAYMENT OF \$50,000 TO GO TOWARDS THE REPAIRS ON THAT BUILDING AND TOWARDS THE ECONOMIC IMPACT THEY ARE GOING TO HAVE ON THE CITY BY OPENING THAT BUSINESS. COMMISSIONER SIMPSON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.
11. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION TO DAVID R.

SANDERS D/B/A MILLENNIUM 2000 FOODS, INC. FOR IMPROVEMENT OF CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE CITY OF WEST FRANKFORT, ILLINOIS. THE MAYOR STATED THIS IS FOR A TIF LOAN THAT WE ARE MOVING MR. SANDERS DAIRY QUEEN REVOLVING LOAN INTO A TIF LOAN. IT IS 3 ½% \$20,000 DOLLARS FOR SEVEN YEARS. THE PAYMENTS ARE THE SAME AS THE OTHER LOAN THE PAYMENTS WILL BE FOR \$168.80. COMMISSIONER SIMPSON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HARKINS. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

12. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF A PROCLAMATION DECLARING MAY 12, 2016 THROUGH MAY 15, 2016 AS THE WEST FRANKFORT OLD KING COAL FESTIVAL. THE MAYOR STATED I HAD THE PLEASURE OF ATTENDING THE PRINCESS FLAME PAGEANT LAST WEEKEND AND IT WAS VERY NICE. PRINCESS FLAME WAS HERE EARLIER FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO MISSED HER. COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SIMPSON. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

13. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF A DONATION TO THE WEST FRANKFORT CITY PARK FOR THE JULY 4TH CELEBRATION TO BE PAID FROM THE TOURISM FUND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,173.00. THE MAYOR STATED THERE WILL BE A CELEBRATION ON JULY 4TH WHICH IS A MONDAY. IF IT IS RAINING THEY WILL HAVE THE SAME CELEBRATION ON JULY 5TH. THIS IS OUR CONTRIBUTION TOWARDS THAT. COMMISSIONER BLADES MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SIMPSON. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

14. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION FOR THE WEST FRANKFORT RECREATION ASSOCIATION TO SPONSOR THEIR ANNUAL MEMORIAL DAY PARADE ON MONDAY, MAY 30, 2016 AT 9:00 A.M. THE MAYOR STATED THIS IS WHEN ALL THE LITTLE KIDS PUT ON THEIR BASEBALL UNIFORMS AND RIDE IN PICKUP TRUCKS DOWN MAIN STREET ALL THE WAY TO THE PARK TO GET THEIR PICTURE TAKEN. COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SIMPSON. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

15. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL FOR TLC THERAPY CENTER TO HOLD A

ROADBLOCK ON MAY 21, 2016 FROM 8:00 A.M. TO 4:00 P.M. AT THE INTERSECTION OF ROUTE 149 AND HIGHWAY 37. COMMISSIONER SIMPSON STATED I WONDER WHY SOMEONE FROM CARTERVILLE IS COMING HERE TO DO A ROADBLOCK. COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS STATED WHICH UNION IS DOING IT? THE MAYOR STATED THE LOCAL LABORERS UNION. COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS STATED WHY ARE THEY COLLECTING MONEY HERE FOR AN ORGANIZATION IN CARTERVILLE? THIS IS THEIR SIXTH YEAR DOING THIS AND THEY HELP WITH DAYCARE'S IN OUR TOWN. COMMISSIONER BLADES MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SIMPSON. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

16. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL FOR PAYMENT OF INVOICES FROM AMERICAN BANKERS INSURANCE CO. OF FLORIDA IN THE AMOUNT OF \$39,774.00 REGARDING THE CITY'S ANNUAL FLOOD INSURANCE RENEWAL. THE MAYOR STATED HE HAS A LIST HERE OF NINE SITES THAT ARE IN THE FLOOD PLAIN AND I WOULD SAY NINE OF THE SITES ARE IN THE NORTH SEWER PLANT. WHEN THEY MOVE SOME OF THE STUFF HOPEFULLY WE CAN GET SOME OF THESE OFF HERE. UNTIL WE GET TO THAT POINT WE HAVE TO PAY THE INSURANCE. THE FIGURE THAT WAS USED WAS OPTION B WHICH HAS A LOWER DEDUCTIBLE AND A HIGHER COVERAGE. COMMISSIONER SIMPSON STATES WHAT ARE THESE ARE THEY STORAGE BUILDINGS? THE MAYOR STATED THESE ARE THE BUILDINGS AT THE NORTH SEWER PLANT. IT ALSO INCLUDES THE GENERATOR WE HAVE \$100,000.00 GENERATOR THAT SITS AT THE STORM WATER PUMP STATION. WE HAVE A MILLION DOLLARS WORTH OF INSURANCE ON THE STORM WATER PUMP STATION PUMPS. WE HAVE CHLORINE BUILDINGS, ELECTRICAL BUILDINGS & LAB BUILDINGS AND PUMP BUILDINGS; WE HAVE SIX BUILDINGS ALL TOGETHER. COMMISSIONER SIMPSON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BLADES. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

17. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL FOR PAYMENT OF AN INVOICE FROM ACCUMED GROUP FOR THE BILLING SERVICE FEE AND ANNUAL LICENSE FEE REGARDING AMBULANCE BILLING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$9,890.34. THE MAYOR STATED THERE IS AN ANNUAL LICENSING FEE ON THIS DOCUMENT THAT IS \$3,493.13. WE WENT BACK AND LOOKED AT THE CONTRACT AND THAT IS ON THE CONTRACT THAT THIS IS A RENEWAL FOR THEIR SOFTWARE AND LICENSING PROGRAM. FIRE CHIEF JODY

ALLEN STATED THE OTHER AMOUNT ON THE BILL IS THE AMOUNT THAT WE BRING IN EACH MONTH. COMMISSIONER SIMPSON STATED WE GET THAT EVERY MONTH SO ALL WE NEED TO APPROVE HERE IS THE FEE RIGHT? THE MAYOR STATED YES. COMMISSIONER SIMPSON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BLADES. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

18. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL FOR PAYMENT ON AN INVOICE FROM BROWN & ROBERTS REGARDING THE ST. LOUIS STREET PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,745.45. COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SIMPSON. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

19. BUILDING AND SIGN PERMITS:

CODES OFFICER ED HAMMONDS STATED HE HAS FOUR BUILDING PERMITS.

THE FIRST TWO BUILDING PERMITS I HAVE ARE FROM THE SAME COUPLE DANNEY FINDLEY & TAMERA SANCHEZ. THEY PURCHASED TWENTY LOTS BETWEEN COLUMBIA AND SHAWNEE. THERE ARE TWO SECTIONS TEN LOTS EACH. THEY HAVE TWO PERMITS ONE FOR THE HOUSE THEY WANT TO BUILD AND ONE FOR A POLE BARN. THE HOUSE THEY WANT TO BUILD IS A 28 X 60 DOUBLE WIDE. THE ESTIMATED COST IS \$68,000.00 FOR THAT AND THE POLE BARN ON THE WEST SIDE OF SHAWNEE THEY ARE BUILDING A 30 X 50 POLE BARN FOR ROUGHLY \$20,000.00. SO THIS REQUEST IS FOR TWO PERMITS ONE FOR THE HOUSE AND ONE FOR THE POLE BARN. COMMISSIONER HARKINS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SIMPSON. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

THE NEXT ITEM WAS A BUILDING PERMIT FROM LAWRENCE BERTINETTI HE LIVES AT 1507 EAST OAK STREET. HE IS REQUESTING A BUILDING PERMIT TO PUT UP A STORAGE BUILDING 20 X 28. HE ALREADY STARTED TO LAY OUT THE AREA AND I TOLD HIM HE NEEDED A PERMIT. COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HARKINS. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

THE NEXT ITEM WAS A BUILDING PERMIT FOR TIM AND DEBBIE RICCI

FOR A POLE BARN SHED 40 X 32 LOCATED TOWARDS THE BACK OF THEIR PROPERTY. COMMISSIONER HARKINS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

20. MAYOR'S REPORT:

THE MAYOR STATED I WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS THE MUFFLER THAT IS ACROSS FROM THE OLD YADRO BUILDING. THE MUFFLER IS ON A BIG POLE AND HAS BEEN THERE SINCE THE 50'S OR 60'S. THAT MUFFLER ON THE POST IS PART OF OUR HERITAGE. THE OWNER OF THE NEW YADRO BUILDING DOESN'T WANT IT. I AM ASKING IF THE CITY WANTS IT IF WE WANT TO TAKE IT DOWN OR PAINT IT. HERE ARE THE OPTIONS; WE LEAVE IT THERE, WE DO SOMETHING WITH IT TO MAKE IT LOOK NICER OR WE TAKE IT DOWN. COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS STATED I LIKE IT I THINK IT IS COOL WE NEED TO PAINT IT AND KEEP IT. SOMEONE FROM THE AUDIENCE STATED I THINK WE HAVE TORN DOWN ENOUGH STUFF IN THIS TOWN WE NEED TO KEEP IT.

21. COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS:

COMMISSIONER HARKINS STATED THE FIRE AND POLICE DEPARTMENT'S ARE DOING A GOOD JOB.

COMMISSIONER SIMPSON STATED I THINK CATHY DID A GREAT JOB ON THE BUDGET. ALSO WORKING TOWARDS THE WATER AND SEWER RATE INCREASES I THINK ED SHOULD LOOK THESE OVER AND WE CAN MAKE THE CHANGES. CATE AND ANGIE NEED TO BE THANKED FOR PUTTING IN THE TIME TO FIGURE OUT THE BUDGET.

COMMISSIONER BLADES STATED HE SAYS A PRAYER FOR THE POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENT'S EVERY DAY. THE GUYS OUT AT THE SEWER PLANT DO A GREAT JOB THEY STAY AT IT AND I AM PROUD OF THEM. I TALKED TO THE EPA THIS WEEK THE OVERFLOW THEY WORK REALLY HARD ON RAISING MANHOLES. LETS KEEP OUR FINGERS CROSSED THAT NOTHING COLLAPSES.

COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS STATED SHE WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL THE PEOPLE THAT HELPED WITH THE CLEAN UP DAY. WE DIDN'T HAVE A LOT OF TIME TO PUT IT TOGETHER THIS YEAR. WE HAD A PRETTY GOOD

TURN OUT AROUND 115 PEOPLE.

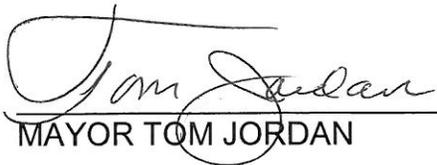
22. AUDIENCE QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS:

STEPHEN STATED YOU CAN'T HAVE PROGRESS WITHOUT CHANGE. IN ABOUT TWO WEEKS THINGS ARE GOING TO CHANGE. I JUST WANTED TO THANK ALL OF THE DEPARTMENT'S AND EVERYBODY HERE IN ADVANCE. WE HAVE INCREASED REVENUE EVERY YEAR WITH THE OLD KING COAL FESTIVAL AND THIS YEAR SHOULD BE THE BIGGEST YEAR WE HAVE EVER HAD.

23. MAYOR JORDAN ASKED FOR APPROVAL TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS, PERSONNEL, LAND ACQUISITION AND/OR PENDING LITIGATION, WITH POSSIBLE ACTION. COMMISSIONER SIMPSON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HARKINS. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS ALONG WITH THE MAYOR VOTED YES. MOTION CARRIED. THE COUNCIL WENT INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:08 P.M.

24. THE COUNCIL RETURNED TO OPEN SESSION AT 8:36 P.M. ON A MOTION BY COMMISSIONER SIMPSON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS ALONG WITH MAYOR JORDAN VOTED TO RETURN TO OPEN SESSION. MOTION CARRIED.

25. WITH NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO BE DISCUSSED, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED ON A MOTION BY COMMISSIONER HARKINS AT 8:37 P.M.


MAYOR TOM JORDAN


ANGIE BAKER, CITY CLERK