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PROCEEDINGS OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PEKIN, ILLINOIS,  
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF CITY HALL  
111 S. CAPITOL ST  
ON MONDAY APRIL 13, 2020 AT 5:30 O'CLOCK P.M.  
MARK LUFT \* CHAIR \* PRESIDING  
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**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Due to the Governor's Executive Order regarding COVID-19 and the relaxing of the Open Meeting Act requirements, this meeting was held remotely via Zoom Meetings without an in-person meeting location for the public to attend. Therefore, the provisions of the City Code regarding electronic attendance did not apply.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Mark Luft. The Clerk confirmed all members of the Council were present via remote electronic attendance by roll call vote with the exception of Mayor Mark Luft who was physically present.

| Attendee Name    | Title        | Status | Arrived |
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| Michael Garrison | Councilman   | Remote |         |
| Rick Hilst       | Councilman   | Remote |         |
| Karen Hohimer    | Councilwoman | Remote |         |
| Dave Nutter      | Councilman   | Remote |         |

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| Lloyd Orrick | Mayor Pro-Tem | Remote  |  |
| John P Abel  | Councilman    | Remote  |  |
| Mark Luft    | Mayor         | Present |  |

## **APPROVE AGENDA**

### **3.1. Motion to: Approve agenda**

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>                           |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | Michael Garrison, Councilman                         |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | John P Abel, Councilman                              |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Garrison, Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Orrick, Abel, Luft |

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

### **4.1. City Council - Regular Meeting - Mar 23, 2020 5:30 PM**

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>                          |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | Lloyd Orrick, Mayor Pro-Tem                          |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | Michael Garrison, Councilman                         |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Garrison, Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Orrick, Abel, Luft |

## **PUBLIC INPUT**

The City Clerk stated that no public comments were emailed.

The Mayor stated that no public comments were posted via Zoom Meetings Chat.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

### **Motion to: Approve Consent Agenda**

Mayor Luft read the proclamation dedicated to Larry "The Flagman" Eckhardt for his dedication to the community honoring fallen soldiers.

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>                           |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | Michael Garrison, Councilman                         |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | John P Abel, Councilman                              |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Garrison, Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Orrick, Abel, Luft |

- 6.1. Proclamation Larry "The Flag Man" Eckhardt Day**
- 6.2. Ordinance No. 2881 - 19/20 Renewing Declaration of Local Emergency Within the City of Pekin in Response to the Covid-19 Pandemic and Granting Emergency Powers to the Mayor and City Manager**
- 6.3. Tazewell County Animal Control Billing March 2020**
- 6.4. Receive and File Police Department Monthly Stats March 2020**
- 6.5. Accounts Payable to be Paid Proof List thru April 3, 2020**
- 6.6. Receive and File Bids for Replacement Lighting for Street Department Project**

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **7.1. Resolution No. 73-19/20 Resolution Adopting the Employee Handbook Revision 2020 of the City of Pekin**

A motion was made by Councilmember Orrick, seconded by Councilwoman Hohimer to postpone Resolution No. 73-19/20 adopting the employee handbook revision 2020 of the City of Pekin. Councilmember Orrick stated that since the

City does not know when the Council will meet again in person, he would like to withdraw his motion to postpone.

Attorney Kate Swise advised that a motion could be made to pull it from the agenda until such time it could be brought back by the chair.

Councilmember Orrick made a motion to remove the revisions of the handbook from the agenda, seconded by Councilwoman Hohimer.

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>FAILED [UNANIMOUS]</b>                            |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | Lloyd Orrick, Mayor Pro-Tem                          |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | Karen Hohimer, Councilwoman                          |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Garrison, Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Orrick, Abel, Luft |

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **8.1. Ordinance No. 1568-A213 - 19/20 Amending Zoning Classification of Certain Real Property Located at 1507, 1509 and 1511 Terrace Blvd. from R-4 One Family Residential District to P-1 Vehicular Parking District**

City Manager, Mr. Mark Rothert, presented the agenda item to approve and adopt Ordinance No. 1568-A213-19/20 to amend the zoning classification of certain property at 1507, 1509 and 1511 Terrace Blvd. from R-4 One Family Residential District to P-1 Vehicular Parking District. Mr. Rothert summarized that Mr. Blake Lippi submitted an application to change the zoning of property from the current zoning of R-4 to B-3 General Business District. The purpose was to replace parking spaces for an adjacent business center that were lost with IDOT expanded the road. Mr. Rothert stated that Mr. Lippi and his attorney were on the line to answer questions.

City attorney, Ms. Swise, explained that the planning commission did consider Mr. Lippi's application but felt P-1 would be more appropriate and the Petitioner agreed to amend his request from B-3 to P-1.

Councilwoman Hohimer expressed concern that the neighbors may not be in agreement with the zoning change.

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>ADOPTED [6 TO 1]</b>                     |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | John P Abel, Councilman                     |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | Lloyd Orrick, Mayor Pro-Tem                 |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Garrison, Hilst, Nutter, Orrick, Abel, Luft |
| <b>NAYS:</b>     | Karen Hohimer                               |

### **8.2. Resolution No. 76 - 19/20 Approving Purchase of Two Hydraulic Lift Cylinders for Fire Department Ladder Truck**

City Manager, Mr. Mark Rothert, presented the request to Council to approve and adopt Resolution No. 76-19/20 approving the purchase of two hydraulic lift cylinders for the fire department ladder truck. Mr. Rothert summarized that due to failure of one of the cylinders the Fire Department needs to purchase two cylinders as it is required to purchase in pairs as the new design does not work with the older design. Mr. Rothert continued to explain that without this replacement the vehicle would not pass upcoming ladder tests, is an integral part of the City's fire rescue capabilities and required to keep current ISO rating.

Councilmembers discussed options to rebuild the cylinders.

Fire Chief Kurt Nelson explained that an option to rebuild the cylinders had been investigated in the past but, due to this type of cylinder it could not guarantee safety and therefore was unable to be rebuilt.

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>                           |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | Michael Garrison, Councilman                         |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | John P Abel, Councilman                              |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Garrison, Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Orrick, Abel, Luft |

**8.3. Resolution No. 74 - 19/20 Awarding Contract to RNS Electric, Inc. for Replacement Lighting Street Department Project**

City Manager, Mr. Mark Rothert, presented the agenda item requesting Council approve and adopt Resolution No. 74-19/20 to award a contract to RNS Electric, Inc. for the replacement lighting Street Department Project. Mr. Rothert explained that the City recently issued a request for proposals as part of the Ameren Incentive Program grant to replace the interior lighting at the Street Department. Mr. Rothert stated that the cost will be less than \$13,000. Fleet Manager, Mr. Daniel Jost, and Street Department Supervisor, Mr. Brett Olson, was available on the line for questions.

Council discussed cost savings and estimated time to complete the project.

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>                           |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | John P Abel, Councilman                              |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | Karen Hohimer, Councilwoman                          |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Garrison, Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Orrick, Abel, Luft |

**8.4. Resolution No. 75 - 19/20 Authorizing Use of CDBG Funds for Small Business Assistance Grants in Response to COVID-19**

City Manager, Mr. Mark Rothert, presented to Council Resolution No. 75-19/20 authorizing the use of CDBG Funds for small business assistance grants in response to COVID-19. Mr. Rothert stated that the City was not eligible to receive funds through the Downstate Stabilization Program because the City is a direct recipient of federal CDBG Funds from the federal government. Through the CARES Act, the federal government has allocated an allotment of CDBG Funds and the City is expected to receive approximately \$250,000. Mr. Rothert provided Council with a power point presentation that highlighted the City's goals to provide a \$1M grant program for small local businesses in the City of Pekin by May 1<sup>st</sup> of this year utilizing all resources of CDBG funds. In this presentation, Mr. Rothert explained in detail several options for businesses to qualify, how to fund the grant program prior to May 1<sup>st</sup>, and the online application process. Mr. Rothert added that CDBG Program Manager, Mr. David Bess, will be in charge of running the program and will be the contact person for the public.

Council discussed the dependency of the software being ready in time, excess funds not being used at the end of the program and the advance of funds from the general fund.

Councilmember Hilst spoke against the grant program as proposed and felt the entire \$1M should be allocated equally among all applicants.

Councilmember Hilst made a motion to table Resolution 75-19/20 authorizing the use of CDBG Funds for small business assistance grants. Mayor Luft called for a second on the motion and hearing none, the motion was dead.

Mr. Rothert added that if funds were leftover the City would consider a second round of funding.

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>                           |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | Karen Hohimer, Councilwoman                          |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | Lloyd Orrick, Mayor Pro-Tem                          |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Garrison, Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Orrick, Abel, Luft |

- 8.5. Resolution No. 86-19/20 Short-term Loan to Reditus Laboratories, LLC**  
City Manager, Mr. Mark Rothert, presented the agenda item to approve and adopt Resolution No. 86-19/20 a short term loan to Reditus Laboratories, LLC to assistance with the commencement of a licensed testing site for COVID-19 at its laboratory located at 1805 Riverway Drive. Mr. Rothert continued to explain that Reditus is in immediate need of additional equipment to increase its testing capacity. Mr. Rothert felt that traditional financing options were insufficient to provide necessary funds in an expedient manner due to an overwhelming demand for financing. Reditus therefore approached the City to make a short-term loan of \$100,000.00 in order to purchase the necessary equipment to expand testing capacity in the facility. The term on the loan is 180 days at an interest rate of 4% and secured by a personal guarantee of Reditus's CEO, Dr. Aaron Rossi. Mr. Rothert stated that expanding testing capacity in the City of Pekin serves the public interest in responding to the COVID-19 pandemic and staff recommended approval.

Mr. Rothert added that in addition Council received a loan agreement, promissory note and personal guaranty on the matter for review.

City Attorney, Kate Swise, assured Council that the City could pursue any action against him and or the company should he default or go bankrupt.

Mr. Rothert concluded that Dr. Rossi is providing half the cost of the equipment.

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>                           |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | Karen Hohimer, Councilwoman                          |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | Michael Garrison, Councilman                         |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Garrison, Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Orrick, Abel, Luft |

- 8.6. Resolution No. 77-19/20 Approving Professional Services Agreement with Hanson Professional Services to Negotiate Purchase of Right of Way on Allentown Roadway**  
City Manager, Mr. Mark Rothert, presented the request to Council to approve and adopt Resolution No. 77-19/20 approving professional services agreement Hanson Professional Services to negotiate the purchase of a right-of-way on Allentown Roadway. Mr. Rothert explained that this item once again was to procure services to negotiate a right of way to move the project along.
- City Engineer, Ms. Josie Esker, explained that the previous City Engineer, Mr. Michael Guerra, was in contact with all the property owners and was unsuccessful to negotiate the purchase. Ms. Esker stated that imminent domain was an option but it would her personal recommendation to give up the funds for the project due to time restrictions and to keep a good relationship with IDOT.
- Council discussed the consequences of giving the funds back to IDOT.
- Ms. Esker added that it had been 6 years since the City received the grant funding.

Mr. Rothert stated that the item was brought back to Council to make good on a promise to IDOT to utilize funding to improve a dangerous part of the road on Allentown. This effort was to hire Hanson who has expertise in right-of-way and have IDOT experts. Mr. Rothert concluded that this was the best shot at getting this project completed.

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>ADOPTED [5 TO 2]</b>               |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | Karen Hohimer, Councilwoman           |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | Lloyd Orrick, Mayor Pro-Tem           |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Garrison, Hohimer, Orrick, Abel, Luft |
| <b>NAYS:</b>     | Rick Hilst, Dave Nutter               |

**8.7. Resolution No. 78 - 19/20 Approving a Professional Services Agreement with Maurer-Stutz Inc. for a Study and Survey of Downtown Parking Lots**

City Manager, Mr. Mark Rothert, presented the agenda item to approve and adopt Resolution No. 78-19/20 approving a professional services agreement with Maurer Stutz Inc. for a study and survey of downtown parking lots. Mr. Rothert explained that there had been several discussions on the downtown parking study and survey was appropriate to provide guidance, conceptual parking lots plans and layouts.

Councilmember Abel spoke in favor of the item.

Council discussed the properties that would be included in the study.

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>ADOPTED [5 TO 2]</b>               |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | Michael Garrison, Councilman          |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | Karen Hohimer, Councilwoman           |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Garrison, Hohimer, Orrick, Abel, Luft |
| <b>NAYS:</b>     | Rick Hilst, Dave Nutter               |

**8.8. Resolution No. 79 - 19/20 Grant Josie A. Esker Signature Authority for IDOT Documents**

City Manager, Mr. Mark Rothert, summarized the request to approve and adopt Resolution No. 79-19/20 granting City Engineer, Ms. Josie A. Esker, signature authority for IDOT documents. Mr. Rothert explained that the former City Engineer, Mr. Mike Guerra had taken another position and was no longer working for the City of Pekin, therefore the City had no designated municipal officer permitted to sign documents to be sent to the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT), except for the Mayor. Mr. Rothert continued to explain that Mayor is not always able to come to City Hall to sign documents and therefore it is necessary to give the new City Engineer, Ms. Josie Esker authority to sign on behalf of the City.

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>                           |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | Michael Garrison, Councilman                         |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | Lloyd Orrick, Mayor Pro-Tem                          |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Garrison, Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Orrick, Abel, Luft |

**8.9. Resolution No. 80 - 19/20 Approving Acceptance of Easements with Riverside North Inc. for Phase III CSO Project**

City Engineer, Ms. Josie Esker, presented the agenda item to Council to approve and adopt Resolution No. 80-19/20 approving acceptance of easements with Riverside North, Inc. for Phase III CSO project. Ms. Esker explained that the resolution was for the purchase of two temporary easements and two permanent

easements on two different parcels at Riverside North Inc. The proposed sewer for the Phase III CSO project runs through these properties, and these easements are necessary for the construction project. As part of the easement agreement, City Coal has agreed to repair up to 580 square yards of damaged asphalt pavement on their parking lot area, rather than have an asphalt subcontractor repair the parking area as part of the construction project.

Ms. Esker added that IEPA would not approve the loan without the easements in place.

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>                           |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | Michael Garrison, Councilman                         |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | John P Abel, Councilman                              |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Garrison, Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Orrick, Abel, Luft |

**8.10. Resolution No. 81 - 19/20 Professional Services Agreement with SafeBuilt Illinois LLC for Building Inspection Services**

City Manager, Mr. Mark Rothert, presented to the Council to approve and adopt Resolution No. 81-19/20 a professional services agreement with SafeBuilt Illinois LLC for building inspection services. Mr. Rothert explained that at the last budget workshop it was announced that the building department would be outsourced upon research of building inspection firms in the industry.

Councilmembers discussed the one year agreement, concerns regarding safety, and revenue from fines.

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>                           |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | Dave Nutter, Councilman                              |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | Karen Hohimer, Councilwoman                          |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Garrison, Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Orrick, Abel, Luft |

**Motion to: Amend Resolution 82-19/20 redirecting impound fees to be deposited into the Capital Fund beginning FY21-22**

Mayor Luft and Councilmember Hohimer spoke in favor of Councilmember Orrick's motion.

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>ADOPTED [6 TO 1]</b>                       |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | Lloyd Orrick, Mayor Pro-Tem                   |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | John P Abel, Councilman                       |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Garrison, Hohimer, Nutter, Orrick, Abel, Luft |
| <b>NAYS:</b>     | Rick Hilst                                    |

**8.11. Resolution No. 82 - 19/20 Assigning Impound Fees to the General Fund**

City Manager, Mr. Mark Rothert, presented the agenda item to approve and adopt Resolution No. 82-19/20 assigning impound fee to the General Fund. Mr. Rothert explained that this item had come up in budget discussion of moving the impound fees from the Capital Fund to the General Fund. Council had previously passed a resolution directing all revenue received from impound fees to the City's Capital Fund. Mr. Rothert further explained that the Council had directed that the revenues from impound fees help fund storm water projects but Council then moved storm water related expenses to the storm Sewer Fund eliminating the need to dedicate impound fees to storm water projects. Mr. Rothert concluded by addressing how the COVID-19 pandemic will have uncertain effects on the City's revenues and recommended directing impound fee revenue back to the General Operations Fund.

Councilmember Hilst spoke against the agenda item and expressed concerns that the impound fees would no longer be used for infrastructure if redirected.

Councilmembers discussed that the proposed resolution was only for one fiscal year.

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>APPROVED WITH MODIFICATIONS [UNANIMOUS]</b>       |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | Dave Nutter, Councilman                              |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | John P Abel, Councilman                              |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Garrison, Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Orrick, Abel, Luft |

**8.12. Resolution No. 83 - 19/20 Authorizing Early Payment of Final Installment of Debt Service for Griffin Drive Construction Project**

Mayor Luft spoke in favor of the motion to table as it would vacate the tourism account and would need to be rebuilt after the crisis, eliminating any summer events.

City Manager, Mr. Mark Rothert added that there is approximately \$100K in the tourism fund in addition to revenues generated next fiscal year.

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>TABLED [UNANIMOUS]</b>                            |
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| <b>MOVER:</b>    | Dave Nutter, Councilman                              |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | John P Abel, Councilman                              |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Garrison, Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Orrick, Abel, Luft |

**8.13. Resolution No. 84 - 19/20 Regarding Bus Transportation Agreement with School District 98-Rankin**

City Manager, Mr. Mark Rothert, requested Council approve and adopt Resolution No. 84-19/20 Extending School Bus Transportation with Rankin School District 98. Mr. Rothert explained that this was a Memorandum of Understanding that the City was renewing for school years 2020-2021, 2021-2022 and 2022-2023.

Councilmember Orrick commented that the superintendent from Rankin school appreciates the bus service.

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>                           |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | Dave Nutter, Councilman                              |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | Karen Hohimer, Councilwoman                          |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Garrison, Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Orrick, Abel, Luft |

**8.14. Resolution No. 85 - 19/20 Regarding Bus Transportation Agreement with School District 137-South Pekin**

City Manager, Mr. Mark Rothert, presented the agenda item to Council to approve and adopt Resolution No. 85-19/20 regarding bus transportation agreement with School District 137 -South Pekin. Mr. Rothert explained that the City never had a formal agreement in the past, only a loose agreement. The agreement was for a three year term for school years 2021, 2022 and 2023 with an increasing rate of 2.5% each year.

Councilmember discussed that the agreement was based on the number of days of service.

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>                           |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | Dave Nutter, Councilman                              |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | Michael Garrison, Councilman                         |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Garrison, Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Orrick, Abel, Luft |

**8.15. 2105 : Ordinance No. 2879-19/20  
Amending Title 3 Chapter 19 of the City Code Regarding Bodywork Establishments**

City Manager, Mr. Mark Rothert, requested Council approve and adopt Ordinance No. 2879-19/20 Amending Title 3 Chapter 19 of the City Code Regarding Bodywork Establishments. Mr. Rothert referred the item to Police Chief Dossey and City Attorney Kate Swise.

Chief Dossey addressed the Council to explain that the amendment was a collaborative effort between several of the massage therapists that came forward with questions and clarifications for licensing, specifically that it was the facility to be licensed versus each individual massage therapist.

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>                           |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | Dave Nutter, Councilman                              |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | Karen Hohimer, Councilwoman                          |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Garrison, Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Orrick, Abel, Luft |

**8.16. Ordinance No. 2880 - 19/20 Amending Title 5, Chapter 2A of the City Code Regarding Solid Waste Removal Fee**

City Manager, Mr. Mark Rothert, requested Council approve and adopt Ordinance No. 2880 - 19/20 Amending Title 5, Chapter 2A of the City Code Regarding Solid Waste Removal Fee. Mr. Rothert proposed that due to ongoing impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic and the impact on residents, the City Council freeze its Solid Waste Collection fee that was set to increase May 1, 2020 from \$20 per month to \$22 per month.

Councilmember Nutter commented that this was a great move for citizens and the City as a whole and also recommended sending an RFP to see if other businesses providing solid waste and recycling are comparable.

Councilmember Hilst clarified that the freeze is for fiscal year 20-21 and is scheduled to increase to \$23 in fiscal year 21-22.

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>                           |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | Lloyd Orrick, Mayor Pro-Tem                          |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | Dave Nutter, Councilman                              |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Garrison, Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Orrick, Abel, Luft |

**ANY OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COUNCIL**

City Manager, Mr. Mark Rothert, stated that the City will be working on the grant application and will get information out to the public this week. It was suggested that the I.T. Department do some tutorials for Council with using the video option through Zoom.

Public comments were submitted by email to the City Clerk by Jim Mangan and responses were given by Mayor Luft.

All public comments submitted by email to the City Clerk are made part of the record and attached hereto.

Councilmember Orrick clarified that the denial of the 2% raise non-union employee raise was budgeted by the City Manager and believes that it should be added into the budget.

Councilmember Garrison spoke with regards to the Governor's Order and the shutdown of golf courses due to COVID-19.

City Manager, Mr. Mark Rotherth, announced that another budget session will be scheduled for next Monday.

Councilmember Hilst reiterated that that the impound fees should be used for infrastructure and was disappointed that there was not a budget work session this evening.

Mayor Luft praised the entire community for how they have handled this situation we were all in the last month, peaceful yet stressful, thought we were feeling the pressure of this, but handled great.

Councilmember Orrick again requested a vote on the 2% non-union employee raises.

City Manager, Mark Rotherth stated that he has two of the Councilmembers answers on the non-union 2% raises already and will get the others.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION 5 ILCS 120/2 (C)**

### **ADJOURN**

There being no further business to come to Council, a motion was made by Councilmember Orrick, seconded by Councilwoman Hohimer to adjourn. Motion carried viva voce. The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 8:32 PM.