

**CITY OF MASCOUTAH  
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
#3 WEST MAIN STREET  
MASCOUTAH, IL 62258-2030**

**JANUARY 16, 2024**

The minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Mascoutah.

**PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

City prayer was delivered by Planning and Zoning Administrator Tiffany Barrows. The Council remained standing and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**CALL TO ORDER**

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

**ROLL CALL**

Mayor Pat McMahan and Council members John Weyant, Walter Battas, Nick Seibert and Mike Baker.

*Absent:* None.

*Other Staff Present:* City Manager Cody Hawkins, Planning and Zoning Administrator Tiffany Barrows, City Attorney Al Paulson and Police Chief Scott Waldrup.

*Establishment of a Quorum:* A quorum of City Council members was present.

**AMEND AGENDA** – There was no reason to amend agenda.

**MINUTES**

The minutes of the December 13, 2023 Special City Council meeting were presented and approved as presented. The minutes of the December 18, 2023 Regular City Council meeting were presented and approved as presented.

*Motion passed.* Passed by unanimous yes voice vote.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Eric Mercer, a resident of Mascoutah, voiced his concerns.

**MONTHLY DEPARTMENT REPORTS FOR OCTOBER WERE PROVIDED**

**REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

*Mayor* – Attended the MIA appreciation dinner.

*City Council*

Weyant – Attended the MIA appreciation dinner.

Battas –Nothing to report.

Seibert –Nothing to report.

Baker –Nothing to report.

*City Manager* – Nothing to report

*City Attorney* –Nothing to report.

*City Clerk* – Nothing to report.

## **COUNCIL BUSINESS**

### **CONSENT CALENDAR (OMNIBUS)**

The December 2023 Fund Balance Report and Claims & Salaries Report were provided under the omnibus consideration.

Councilman Battas stated that the asphalt project bids in town lately start out under the local bidder but in the end become over the local bidder's price. He stated that this needs to be looked at. Staff noted his concerns.

Seibert moved, seconded by Battas, to accept all items under Omnibus consideration.

***Motion passed.*** AYE's – Weyant, Battas, Seibert, Baker, McMahan. NAY's – none.  
ABSENT – none.

### **RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING RBI FUNDS FOR SOUTH COUNTY RD/MCKINLEY**

City Manager Cody Hawkins presented a report for Council approval of a Supplemental Services agreement with Oats Associates to add water main and sanitary sewer main to the plans, plus the preparation of ROW, and ROW negotiations in the amount of \$40,502.00 for the South County/McKinley Reconstruction Project. Further action requested is for Council approval of the respective Resolution for the agreement allocating RBI funds in the amount of \$40,502.00

There was no further discussion.

Baker moved, seconded by Weyant to (1) approve and adopt Resolution No. 23-24-13, a Resolution for Improvement Under the Illinois Highway Code; (2) approve a Request for Expenditure/Authorization of RBI Funds; (3) approve an Engineering Services Agreement with Oats Associates.; all in the amount of \$40,502.00 for supplemental engineering services for the South County/McKinley Project and authorize appropriate City officials to execute the necessary documents.

***Motion passed.*** AYE's – Weyant, Battas, Seibert, Baker, McMahan. NAY's – none.  
ABSENT –none

**CODE CHANGE – CHAPTER 31, RECREATION AND PARKS (FIRST READING).**

City Manager Cody Hawkins presented a report for Council approval and adoption of an ordinance regarding animals/pets on the ball field areas of the park.

There was no further discussion.

First Reading.

**COUNCIL – MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS**

Councilman Weyant would like staff to research and get council approval to change the city code addressing pets/animals in extreme weather conditions.

Councilman Baker expressed his thoughts on canceling a city council meeting. He stated he personally thinks we would always have things to talk about and should not cancel due to no action items. He also stated that he would like to see sewer projects done at the same time as road projects. This would alleviate tearing up a brand-new road.

**CITY MANAGER – MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None.

**MISCELLANEOUS OR FINAL ACTIONS**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

Weyant moved, seconded by Battas, to adjourn at 7:26 p.m.

***Motion passed.*** Motion passed by unanimous yes voice vote.

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Melissa Schanz, City Clerk